

CONCEPT: STRUCTURES OF THE CITRIC ACID CYCLE

Citric Acid Cycle Structures

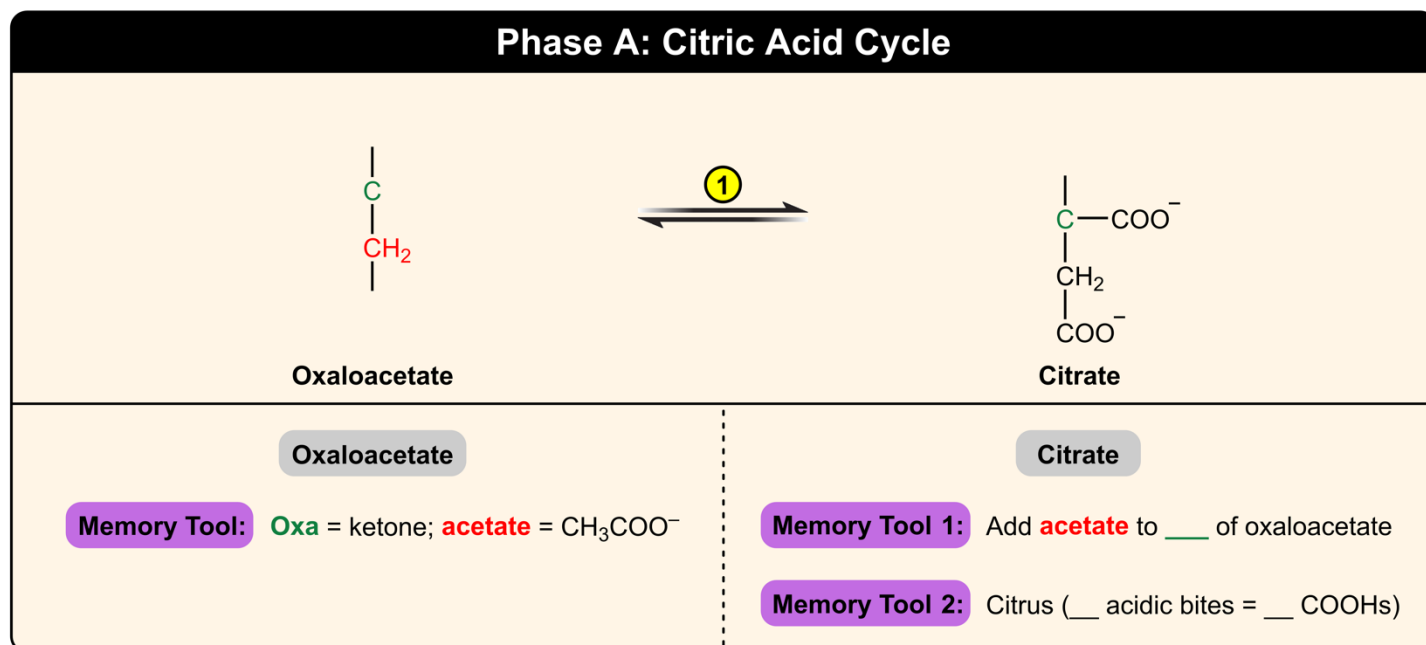
- The Citric Acid Cycle begins with oxaloacetate which is composed of ____ carbons.

HINT 1: All metabolites contain _____ on both ends of molecules, **EXCEPT** Succinyl CoA.

HINT 2: Citrate and Isocitrate contain an extra _____ (____ carboxylic acids).

Phase **A** – Citrate Formation

- Oxaloacetate converts to citrate.



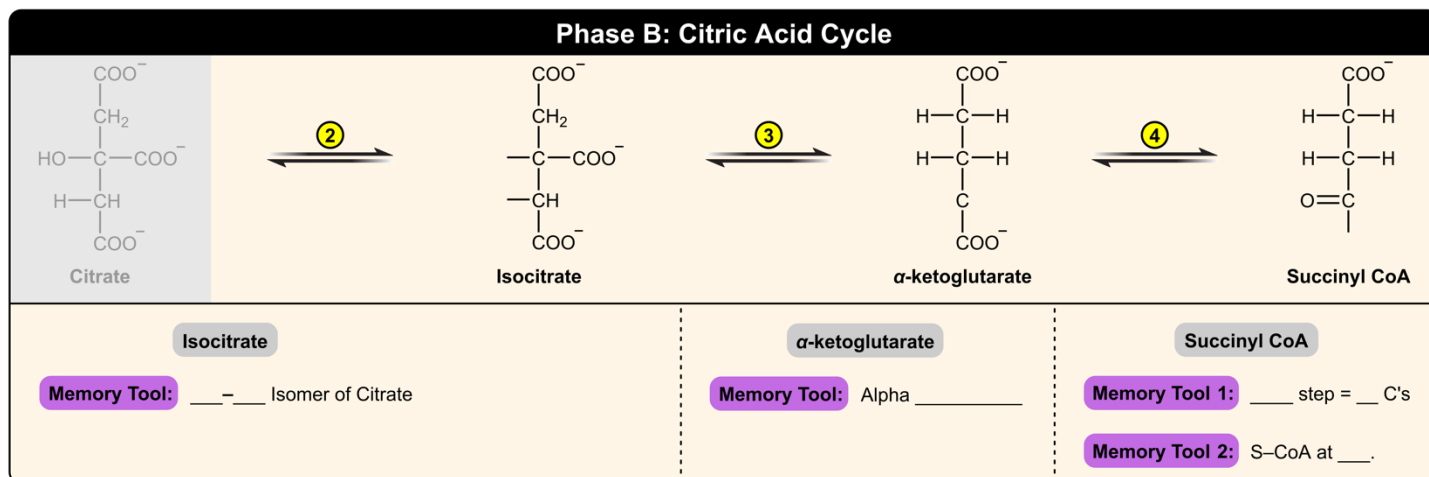
EXAMPLE: Determine the type of chemical reaction in the transformation of oxaloacetate to citrate.

- Electrophilic Addition
- Nucleophilic Addition
- Nucleophilic Acyl Substitution
- Reduction

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Phase B – Succinyl CoA Formation

- Isocitrate to α -Ketoglutarate to Succinyl CoA.



EXAMPLE: Which of the following accurately describes the transformation of α -ketoglutarate to Succinyl CoA?

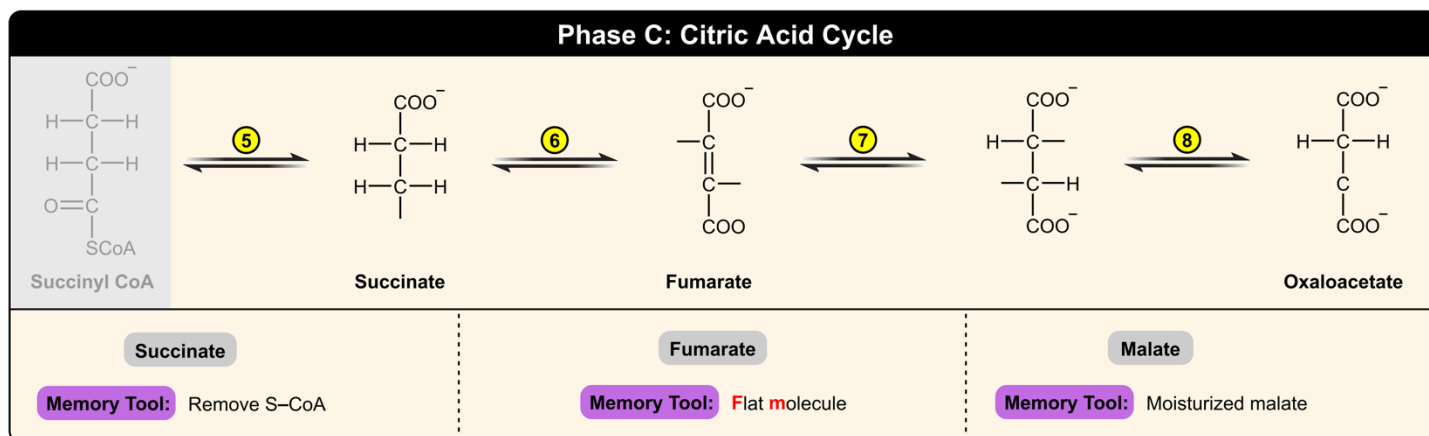
- a) Reduction
- b) Condensation
- c) Oxidation
- d) Hydration

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Phase C – Oxaloacetate Regeneration

- Succinate to Fumarate to Malate.

□ At the end of the cycle, malate is oxidized to reform _____.



EXAMPLE: Which of the following compounds represents a tricarboxylic acid?

- a) Succinyl CoA
- b) Succinate
- c) Fumarate
- d) Isocitrate

PRACTICE: Which reactions of the citric acid cycle involve a decarboxylation?

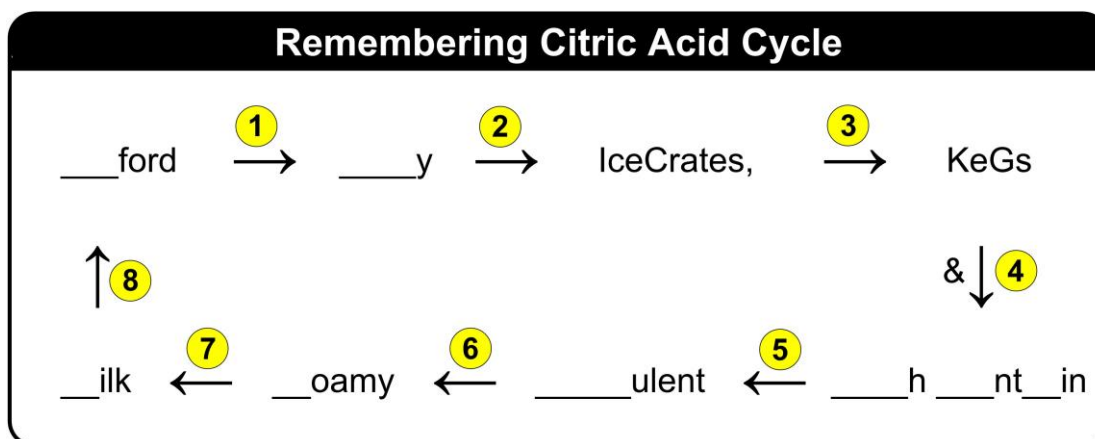
- a) Reactions 1 and 2
- b) Reactions 2 and 4
- c) Reactions 3 and 4
- d) Reactions 3, 4, and 7
- e) Reactions 2, 5, and 6

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Remembering Citric Acid Cycle

- Each reaction of the citric acid cycle can be remembered by memorizing the intermediate () names.

MEMORY TOOL: ____ford ____y IceCrates, KeGs, & ____h ____nt__in ____ulent __oamy __ilk.



EXAMPLE: Write the name for the substrate and product of reaction 6 of the citric acid cycle.

- a) Succinyl CoA and succinate
- b) Succinate and fumarate
- c) Succinyl CoA and fumarate
- d) Fumarate and malate

PRACTICE: Identify the reaction that involves an isomerization reaction between the substrate and product.

- a) Reaction 1
- b) Reaction 3
- c) Reaction 8
- d) Reaction 2
- e) Reaction 4

PRACTICE: Identify the reaction that involves the creation of a product with planarity.

- a) Reaction 1
- b) Reaction 6
- c) Reaction 8
- d) Reaction 2
- e) Reaction 4