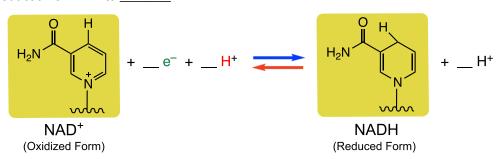
- The driving force of catabolism is the oxidation of molecules in order to \_\_\_\_\_ energy.
  - □ This is accomplished by coenzymes cycling between their \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ forms.
  - □ The reduced forms act as electron carriers that carry energy that is ultimately passed to bonds of ATP.

**EXAMPLE:** Consider the reaction given below and correctly identify the oxidizing agent.

#### **Nicotinamide Adenine Dinucleotide**

- The nicotinamide group of NAD+ is the site of reduction that is seeking to become \_\_\_\_\_.
  - $\hfill\Box$  The reduction occurs by accepting \_\_\_ electrons to gain \_\_\_ H+.
  - □ **Result:** Reduction of NAD+ to .



**EXAMPLE:** Which of the following correctly identifies the molecules in the given reaction?

- a) Lactate = Oxidized substrate, NAD+ = reduced coenzyme, Pyruvate = Reduced substrate
- b) Lactate = Reduced enzyme, NAD+ = reduced coenzyme, Pyruvate = Oxidized enzyme
- c) Lactate = Oxidized substrate, NAD+ = oxidized coenzyme, Pyruvate = Reduced Substrate
- d) Lactate = Reduced substrate, NAD+ = oxidized coenzyme, Pyruvate = Oxidized Substrate

PRACTICE: Is the following reaction an oxidation or reduction? Which coenzyme would be carrying this out, NAD+ or

- a) oxidation, NAD+
- b) oxidation, NADH
- c) reduction, NAD+
- d) reduction, NADH

### Oxidation with NAD+ Mechanism

- Recall: Nicotinamide group of NAD+ is the site of \_\_\_\_\_.
  - □ Basic residue (\_) of enzyme abstracts \_\_\_\_\_ from -OH group of a substrate.
  - □ Hydride transfers to \_\_\_\_\_.

**EXAMPLE:** Reduction of oxaloacetate to malate is facilitated by NADH. Propose a mechanism for this reaction.

### Flavin Adenine Dinucleotide

- The flavin group of FAD is the site of reduction that has \_\_\_\_ hydrogen atoms added to its nitrogen atoms.
  - □ The reduction occurs by adding \_\_\_\_ electrons + \_\_\_\_ H+ to form \_\_\_\_ new covalent bonds.
  - □ **Result:** Reduction of FAD to

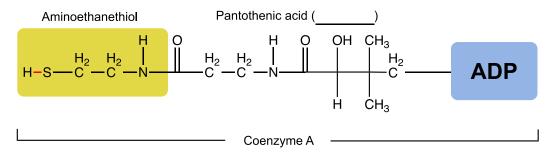
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**EXAMPLE:** Select the correct statement.

- a) When FAD is reduced, it gains 2 hydrogen ions and 2 electrons, forming FADH.
- b) FAD represents an oxidized form of the coenzyme and acts as an oxidizing agent.
- c) FADH represents an oxidized form of the coenzyme and acts as a reducing agent.
- d) Reduction of FAD occurs at the adenine portion of the molecule.

## Coenzyme A

- Coenzyme A is a coenzyme of synthase.
  - □ Has a high-energy \_\_\_\_\_ bond.
  - □ Carries an acetyl group to the Krebs cycle for energy production by oxidation.



**EXAMPLE:** Which of the following statements correctly describes Coenzyme A? (Select all that apply).

- a) When acetyl group is released from acetyl-S-CoA, it produces HS-CoA.
- b) Vitamin B is present in the active site of CoA.
- c) Primary role of CoA is to oxidize fatty acids.
- d) CoA is composed of pantothenic acid (vit B5), aminoethanethiol, and ADP.