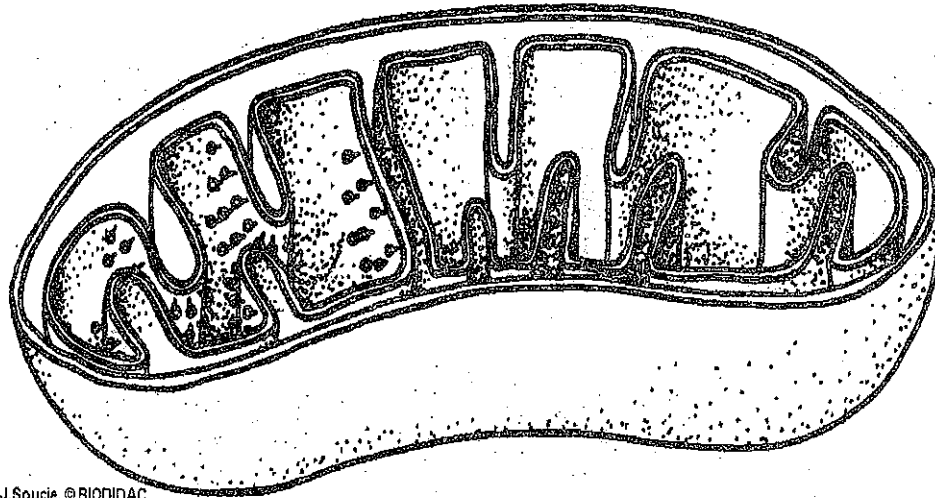


Mitochondria are the powerhouses of the cell because they "burn" or break the chemical bonds of glucose to release energy to do work in a cell in a process called cellular respiration. Remember that this energy originally came from the sun and was stored in chemical bonds by plants during photosynthesis. Glucose (a simple sugar) and other carbohydrates originally made by plants during photosynthesis are broken down by the process of aerobic cellular respiration. It's aerobic because it requires oxygen in the mitochondria of the cell. Cellular respiration releases energy in the form of ATP for the cell. The energy is stored in the high-energy phosphate bonds between the phosphates of an ATP molecule. The more active a cell (such as a muscle cell), the more mitochondria it will have. The mitochondria are about the size of a bacterial cell and are often peanut-shaped. Mitochondria have their own DNA and a double membrane like the nucleus and chloroplast. The outer membrane is smooth, while the inner membrane is convoluted into folds called cristae in order to increase the surface area.

16. Why are mitochondria called the powerhouse of the cell?
17. What cell process occurs in the mitochondria?
18. Why do some cells have MORE mitochondria? Give an example.
19. What simple sugar is broken down in the mitochondria?
20. Where does the energy in glucose come from ORIGINALLY?
21. Where is this energy stored in glucose?
22. Why is cellular respiration an aerobic process?
23. What energy is released when the chemical bonds of glucose are broken?
24. Name two other organelles besides the mitochondria that contain DNA and have a double membrane.
25. Describe the outer membrane of the mitochondria.
26. Why is the inner mitochondrial membrane folded?
27. What are the folds called?

*Color and label the outer membrane pink and the cristae red on figure 3. This greatly increases the surface area of the membrane so that carbohydrates (simple sugars) can combine with oxygen to produce ATP, adenosine triphosphate (the energy molecule of the cell). The electron transport chain takes place across the membranes of the cristae (crista, singular). Inside the folds or cristae is a space called the matrix that contains enzymes needed for the Krebs's Cycle? Color and label the matrix yellow on figure 3.*

FIGURE 3 - MITOCHONDRIA  
Mitochondria



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Adenosine triphosphate (ATP) is the energy molecule used by all cells to do work. It is a nucleotide consisting of a nitrogen-containing base (adenine) a 5-carbon sugar, and 3 phosphate groups that are joined together by 2 bonds (P-P-P). ATP is able to store and transport chemical energy within cells. The LAST TWO phosphate groups ( $PO_4$ ), are joined by HIGH-ENERGY bonds. When these bonds are broken, energy is released for cells to use and ADP forms. Enzymes help to weaken and break as well as reform these high-energy bonds.

28. What does ATP stand for?

29. What three main things make up an ATP molecule?

30. How many high-energy bonds does ATP contain?

31. Where are these high-energy bonds found in ATP?

32. What helps weaken these bonds so energy can be released and then later help reform them?

33. When ATP loses a phosphate group \_\_\_\_\_ is released for cells and a molecule of \_\_\_\_\_ forms.

In Figure 4, COLOR and LABEL the nitrogen-base DARK BLUE( has nitrogen in it). COLOR the 5-carbon sugar RED and LABEL it RIBOSE. COLOR and LABEL the 3 phosphate groups YELLOW, and COLOR & LABEL the 2 high-energy bonds GREEN.

FIGURE 4 - ATP MOLECULE

