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 Dolichol is an isoprenoid compound synthesized by the same metabolic route as cholesterol. In vertebrate tissues, dolichol contains 18-20 isoprenoid units (90-100 carbons total). Dolichol is phosphorylated by a kinase that uses CTP to form <u>dolichol Phosphate</u>. Dolichol phosphate is the structure upon which the carbohydrate moieties of Nlinked glycoproteins are built. After assembly on dolichol phosphate, the carbohydrate structure is transferred to an <u>asparagine</u> residue of a target protein having the sequence Asn-x-Ser/Thr, where X is any amino acid.













Disulfide bonds form between cysteines

• PDI protein disulfide isomerase works in the ER. In the cytosol most Cystines are in the reduced state partly because of active oxygen radical scavengers. In the ER PDI works by forming disulfide bonds with the target protein and then transferring that bond to another cystine within the target protein.

Further protein modification

Why glycosylation?

- Aids in proper protein folding.
- Provides protection against proteases (e.g. lysosomal
- membrane proteins) Employed for signaling.
- Most soluble and membrane-bound proteins made in the ER are glycoproteins, in contrast to cytsolic proteins.
- Glycoprotein synthesis is a 3-part process: 1. Assembly of the precursor oligosaccharide 2. En-bloc transfer to the protein
 - 3. Modification of the oligosaccharide by removal of sugars

Where does glucose come from?

Starch is the major source of dietary glucose. The enzymes responsible for starch degradation are called amylases. Other sources of glucose are sucrose, a disaccharide glucose-fructose from fruits, and lactose, a glucosegalactose disaccharide from milk. Only monosaccharide species like glucose, fructose and galactose can be absorbed via active membrane transport systems. Special intestinal glucosidases split the disaccharides into their monosaccharide components. Maltose is hydrolyzed by isomaltase (oligo-1,6-glucosidase, E.C. 3.2.1.10) and, with lower efficacy, by sucrase (sucrose alpha-glucosidase, E.C. 3.2.1.48). Lactose intolerance comes from a lack of lactase in many adults, causing an accumulation of milk sugar with consequences such as dehydration.





Finally modification of oligosaccharide

- Modification of the oligosaccharide by removal of sugars...
- Three glucoses and one mannose are removed sequentially in the ER.



Transport from the ER to Golgi

- Appropriately modified proteins leave the ER and travel to the Golgi Apparatus.
- They travel in membrane vesicles that arise from special regions of membranes that are coated by proteins.
- There are of three types of coated vesicles that are well characterized, clathrin-coated, COPI-coated and COPIIcoated vesicles.
- COPI and COPII act mainly in ER or Golgi cisternae.
- Clathrin acts in Golgi or plasma membranes.





































