Fatty Acid synthesis

- Occurs in cytosol
- Starts with acetyl CoA
 - Problem:
 - » Most acetyl CoA produced in mitochondria
 - » Acetyl CoA unable to traverse mitochondrial membrane



Fatty Acid Biosynthesis: Formation of Malonyl CoA

 $CH_3COSCoA + ATP + CO_2$



Malonyl CoA $+ ADP + P_{i} + H^{+}$

- Committed step in fatty acid synthesis
- Reaction is irreversible
- Acetyl-coA is mainly derived from excess amount of ingested carbohydrate.
- . Acetyl-CoA carboxylase is the regulatory enzyme of FA synthesis pathway.

Fatty Acid Biosynthesis: Formation of Acetoacetyl CoA



Fatty Acid Biosynthesis: Formation of Butyryl CoA



Fatty Acid Biosynthesis: Sources of NADPH





Fatty Acid Biosynthesis: Chain Elongation (Cont'd)



The major FA , that is synthesized by the human , in this pathway is palmitic acid (C16).