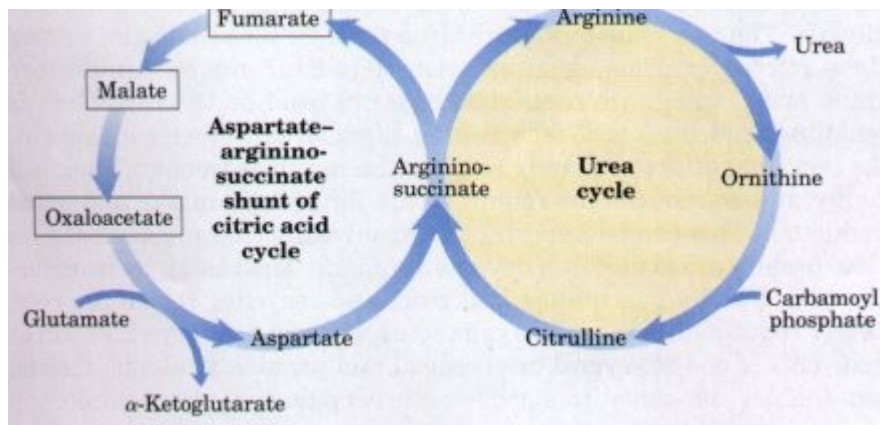


# QT #8: Krebs Bicycle

The “Krebs bicycle,” composed of the urea cycle on the right, which meshes with the aspartate-argininosuccinate shunt of the citric acid cycle on the left. Fumarate produced in the cytosol by argininosuccinate lyase of the urea cycle enters the citric acid cycle in the mitochondrion and is converted in several steps to oxaloacetate. Oxaloacetate accepts an amino group from glutamate by transamination, and the aspartate thus formed leaves the mitochondrion and donates its amino group to the urea cycle in the argininosuccinate synthetase reaction. Intermediates in the citric acid cycle are boxed.



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