Supplement Table

	Metabolite Tissue Content micromole/gdw				Metabolic Flux Data		
	Glutamate	Alpha - Ketoglutarate	Citrate	Aspartate	Acetyl CoA Enrichment from Palmitate	Citric Acid Cycle Flux	Rate of palmitate oxidation
dbdb	7.39 ± 0.59	0.23 ± 0.02	0.51 ±0.09	2.68 ±0.37	0.70 ± 0.02	16.00 ± 2.27	1.39 ± 0.17
dbdb	8.27	0.25	0.51	2.59	0.76	9.99	0.95
ISC/REP	± 0.91	± 0.02	± 0.05	± 0.17	± 0.03	±0.41	±0.05
c57bl/6	9.42	0.23	0.47	2.43	0.68	13.41	1.14
	± 0.70	±0.02	± 0.03	± 0.19	0.02	±1.48	± 0.12
c57bl/6	9.38	0.28	0.51	2.55	0.76	12.14	1.2
ISC/REP	± 1.25	0.02	± 0.06	± 0.21	± 0.03	± 0.14	± 0.04

Supplemental Table Tissue metabolite content and flux data used for modeling kinetic flux. Data is representative of the averages for the groups. It is important to note that kinetic flux measurements and M/A shuttle activity was modeled for each individual experiment, not from averages. C57bl/6: N = 6; c57bl/6 + ISC/REP: N = 6; db/db: N = 6; db/db + ISC/REP: N = 7.

Supplemental Figure 1



Supplemental Figure 1 Representative C4/C2 enrichment curves from kinetic modeling from four individual experiments. Enrichment curves above represent findividual experiments, and do not reflect the averaged metabolite data from Supplemental Table 1. Accordingly, each experiment above is from an experiment with different rate pressure products and metabolite contents, which will influence the flux parameters for the consistence of the kinetics of enrichment and input data. The curves represent a "goodness of fit" of experimental enrichment and metabolite data.

Supplemental Methods

NMR spectroscopy and tissue chemistry. Measurements of TAG turnover were performed on intact beating hearts that were situated within a 10 mm broad band NMR probe inside a 14.1 T NMR magnet. Sequential, proton-decoupled ¹³C NMR spectra were acquired (2 min each) with natural ¹³C abundance correction using previously reported NMR methods [1-3]. Magnetic field homogeneity was optimized by shimming to a proton line width of 10-20 Hz.

Carbon-13 enrichment of TAG in the intact heart was monitored from the NMR signal at 30.5 ppm from the TAG methylene groups and TAG turnover was calculated from total TAG content and enrichment over time [4-6]. Kinetic analysis of dynamic ¹³C-spectra from intact, beating hearts was performed as previously reported from our laboratory [1, 2, 4, 6]. Carbon spectra were acquired at 100 MHz, with bilevel broad-band decoupling and subtracted from naturally abundant endogenous ¹³C signal.

Tissue metabolites were extracted from frozen heart tissue using 7% perchloric acid and neutralized with KOH. Tissue extracts were analyzed spectrophotometrically and flurometically for quantificaiton [7, 8]. Glutamate concentration was determined with glutamate dehydrogenase and diaphorase (Roche L-Glutamic acid colorimetric kit.) α -Ketoglutarate content was measured by coupling glutamate-oxaloacetate transaminate (GOT, Roche) with malate dehydrogenase (MDH, Roche) in the presence of excess L-aspartate. Aspartate concentration was measured by coupling GOT with MDH similar to α -ketoglutarate with the exception of excess α -ketoglutarate. Citrate content was determined with citrate lyase (Roche) and MDH. *In vitro* high-resolution ¹³C NMR spectra of tissue extracts reconstituted in 0.5 mL of D₂O were collected with a 5 mm ¹³C probe (Bruker Instruments, Billerica, MA). Analysis was performed to determine fractional enrichment of [2-¹³C] acetyl CoA [9, 10].

Kinetic Analysis Oxidative Rates. A set of nine differential equations describes the concentration history of the ¹³C in each metabolite and developed in our laboratory was modified to include the additional, rate-determining components of long chain fatty acid uptake into the mitochondria. With a single 9x1 vector q to represent the fractional enrichment of each compartment as a function of time, the model is described in matrix form as

$$\frac{d}{dt}q = M_{TCA} \cdot q + U_{Acetyl-CoA}$$

where M_{TCA} is a 9x9 matrix characteristic of the TCA cycle, its elements are determined by the TCA cycle flux (V_{TCA}), the interconversion rates between the TCA cycle intermediate and glutamate or aspartate (F₁ and F₂), the level of anaplerosis (y), and the concentrations of each metabolite. The input vector, $U_{Acetyl-CoA}$, is governed by the fraction of ¹³C enriched acetyl-CoA entering the TCA cycle through citrate synthase (F_c). The only non-zero element in $U_{Acetyl-CoA}$ corresponds to the labeling of the 4-carbon position of citrate since [2-¹³C] acetyl-CoA enters the TCA cycle through citrate synthase to enrich the 4-carbon position of citrate [4, 11, 12]. The nine differential equation in series are:

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$$\frac{d}{dt}OAA2 = \frac{V_{TCA}}{[OAA]} \cdot MAL2 - \frac{V_{TCA} + F_2}{[OAA]} \cdot OAA2 + \frac{F_2}{[OAA]} \cdot ASP2$$

$$\frac{d}{dt}ASP2 = \frac{F_2}{[ASP]} \cdot (OAA2 - ASP2)$$

Where CIT, aKG, GLU, MAL, OAA, and ASP denote the metabolites citrate, a-ketoglutarate, glutamate, malate, oxaloacetate, and aspartate, respectively, with the corresponding number of the ¹³C enriched carbon position indicated. Where CIT4 is the fractional enrichment level of ¹³C at the 4-carbon position of citrate; (i.e., CIT4=[(4-¹³C)CIT]/[CIT]). The equation describing malate enrichment includes anaplerotic and cataplerotic effects [1, 9, 12]. F₁ and F₂ are fluxes for interconversion via both transamination and membrane transport, between a-ketoglutarate and glutamate, and between aspartate and oxaloacetate, respectively. Under the current experimental conditions of limited aspartate and alanine, F₁ = F₂ [1, 9, 11, 12].

A penalty function was applied, using MVO₂ as an external measured parameter, to constrain optimization of fitting data to the kinetic model within the known physiological limits [9, 12]:

$$\tilde{f}(\mathbf{p}) = \sum_{i=1}^{m} \left(\frac{d(t_i, \mathbf{p}) - s(t_i)}{\sigma_i} \right)^2 + \left(\frac{V_{TCA} - V_{MVO_2}}{\sigma_{MVO_2}} \right)^2$$

Where t_i are the data-sampling times, $d(t_i,p)$ are glutamate enrichment predicted by the model, s(t_i) are the NMR measurements of glutamate enrichment, and σ_i are the error associate with NMR measurements. V_{TCA} and V_{MVO2} are measured from oxygen consumption rate and σ_{MVO2} is the error associate with the measurement of oxygen consumption [9, 12].

The rate of palmitate oxidation (R) was calculated, under these precise experimental and isotopic enrichment conditions, as the product of V_{TCA} and acetyl CoA enrichment from ¹³C palmitate (F_c) divided by 8 to account for the 8 acetyl groups produced from the 16 carbon palmitate ($V_{TCA} \propto F_c/8$).

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Statistical Analysis Inter-group statistics were analyzed using one-way ANOVA analysis with the Tukey post-test. Statistical significance was established at 5% probability (P < 0.05). All reported values are reported as averages \pm SEM.

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