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- Prokaryotes
  - first cells had no organelles
- Anaerobic atmosphere
  - life on Earth first evolved <u>without free oxygen</u> (O<sub>2</sub>) in atmosphere
  - energy had to be captured from organic molecules in absence of O<sub>2</sub>
- <u>Prokaryotes</u> that evolved glycolysis are ancestors of all modern life
  - ALL cells still utilize glycolysis



Enzymes of glycolysis are "well-conserved"

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