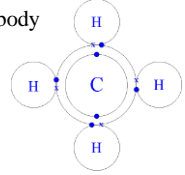


## CHEMISTRY OF CELLS

- 11 elements make up all organisms
- C, O, N, H: 96% weight of human body
- Organic compounds: contain C
- Inorganic compounds: no C



### Bonding and Structural Formulas

**H and He:** 2 valence electrons to complete outer shell

**All other elements:** 8 valence electrons to complete outer shell

Single Bonds



Double Bonds

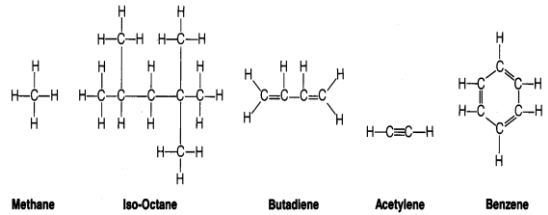


Triple Bonds



### Carbon Structural Formations

Chains  
Branches  
Rings



Methane

Iso-Octane

Butadiene

Acetylene

Benzene

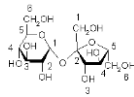
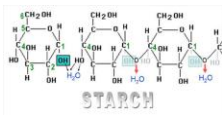
**Polymerization:** process of forming large compounds from small compound

**monomer:** single unit

**dimer:** two monomers

**polymer:** three or more monomers

**macromolecules:** extremely large polymers



### 4 Classes of Organic Compounds (biomolecules)

1. Carbohydrates
2. Lipids
3. Proteins
4. Nucleic Acids

## CARBOHYDRATES

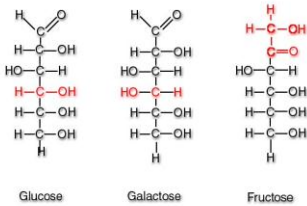
(saccharo / Latin or Greek /sweet or sugar)

- composed of C : H : O

- function: energy and structure

### Isomers

Compounds that have same chemical formula but differ in the arrangement of groups around the carbon atoms



## Types of Carbohydrates

### 1. Monosaccharides: (C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>12</sub>O<sub>6</sub>)

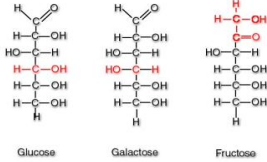
- 1 : 2 : 1 ratio

A. **glucose** – most important : used for energy

- all di/polysaccharides broken down into glucose

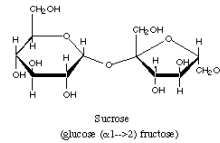
B. **galactose** – milk

C. **fructose** – fruits

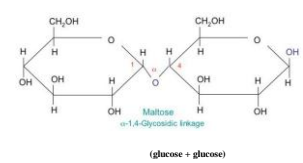


### 2. Disaccharides: (C<sub>12</sub>H<sub>22</sub>O<sub>11</sub>) two monosaccharide units

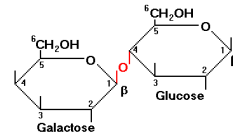
A. **sucrose** – table sugar



B. **maltose** – malt sugar (beer)



C. **lactose** – milk sugar

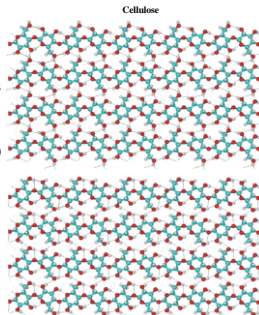


### 3. Polysaccharides : very large saccharide chains (poly / Greek many)

A. **starch** – energy storage for plants  
- 100's of glucose molecules

B. **glycogen** – energy storage for animals (muscles and liver)

C. **cellulose** – structure for plant stems  
- wood and bark  
- cell walls of plants

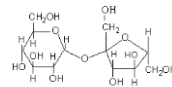
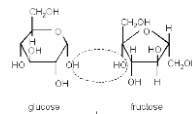


## Building and Breaking Organic Molecules

### Dehydration synthesis/

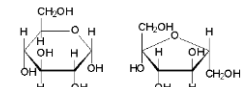
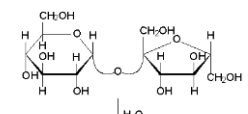
#### Condensation

chemically joining two molecules with **loss of H<sub>2</sub>O**



### Hydrolysis

splitting of polysaccharide into monosaccharide units with **consumption of water**



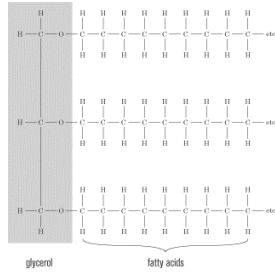
## LIPIDS (fats)

• waxy or oily compounds

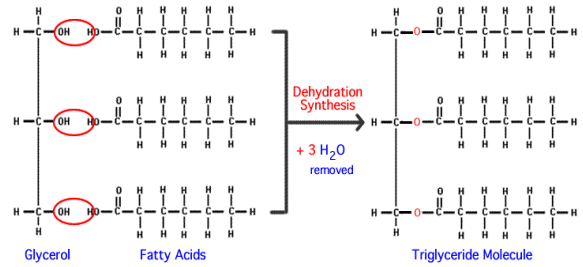
• ratio of H to C is > 2:1

• functions:

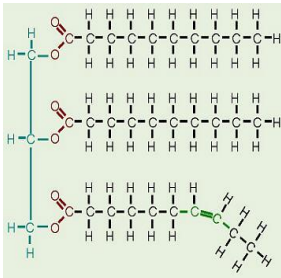
- energy storage
- membrane formation (phospholipids)
- chemical messengers (sterols/steroids)



## Formation of a Triglyceride via Dehydration Synthesis



## Types of Lipids



- **Saturated** - solid at RT
  - max number of H bonds with C (saturated with bonds)
- **Unsaturated** - liquid at RT
  - double bonds between C
- **Polyunsaturated** - many double bonds between C
  - cooking oils

## PROTEINS

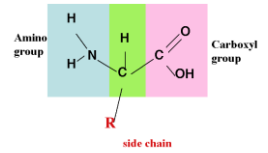
- most important of biomolecules  
- composed of C, O, H, and N

- functions:

1. structure, growth, repair
2. carrier molecules
3. enzymes- initiate chemical reactions
4. immunity- antibodies
5. receptors- initiate and receive messages between cells

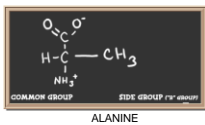
- structure:

**amino acids:** building blocks

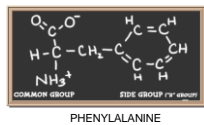


NH<sub>2</sub> amino group (base)  
COOH carboxyl group (acid)  
R functional group (determines a.a.)

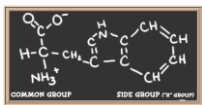
## Amino Acid R Groups



ALANINE



PHENYLALANINE



TRYPTOPHAN

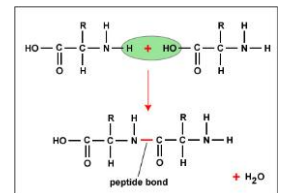
## Peptide Bond

- **Covalent bond** between two amino acids

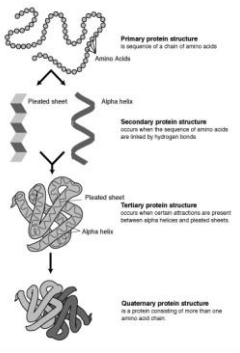
- **Dehydration synthesis reaction**

- H from amino group bonds with OH (hydroxyl) of another amino acid

- water molecule is removed

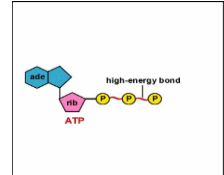


### Protein Shapes



### Nucleic Acids

- composed of C, O, H, N plus P
- very large molecules
- polymers of nucleotides



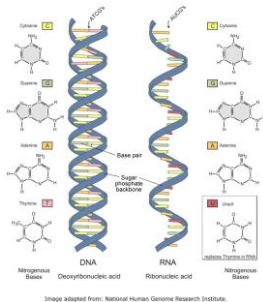
#### ATP (adenosine triphosphate)

- Single nucleotide with two extra energy storing phosphate groups.
- energy from broken down food is stored temporarily in ATP
- cells need ATP to function

### Nucleic Acids

**DNA:** master molecule of organisms

**RNA:** involved in protein synthesis



### ENERGY AND CHEMICAL REACTIONS

- All organisms need energy to carry on life processes

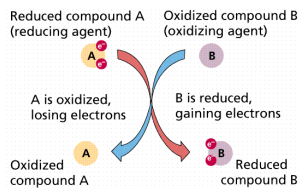
**Energy:** the ability to move or change matter (to do work)

- Energy can be stored or released by chemical reactions (bonds are broken)

### ENERGY AND CHEMICAL REACTIONS

**Oxidation/ Reduction Reactions (Redox):** reactions in which electrons are transferred between atoms

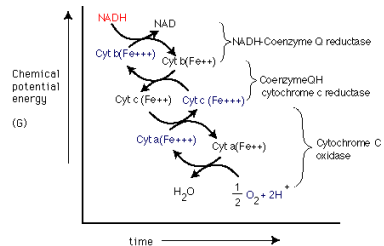
- **Oxidation:** loss of electrons atom becomes positively charged
- **Reduction:** gain of electrons atom becomes negatively charged



### Biochemical pathway

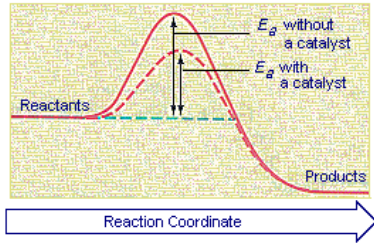
products of one reaction are used as reactants of next reaction

- due to redox reactions

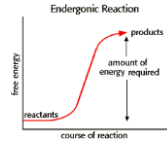


ENERGY AND CHEMICAL REACTIONS

**Activation energy:** amount of energy needed to start a reaction



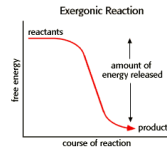
Types of Reactions



1. **Endothermic/ Endergonic:** absorbs energy

Product moves to a higher energy state

Ex: ice → water



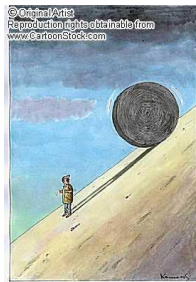
2. **Exothermic/ Exergonic:** releases energy

Product moves to a lower energy state

Ex: steam → water

**Catalyst:** substance that speeds up chemical reaction without being changed or used up

Lowers **activation energy**



**Enzyme:** biological catalyst (ends in “ase”)

- **globular proteins**

- **specific catalytic action**

Ex: lipase: lipids

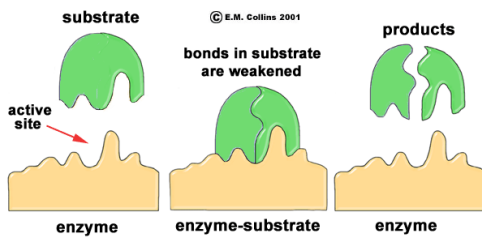
lactase: lactose

amylase: starch → glucose

- needed to maintain **homeostasis**

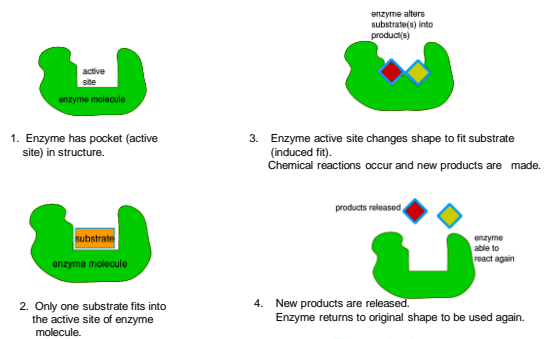
Enzyme Mode of Action Models

Lock and Key Model



Enzyme Model of Action Models

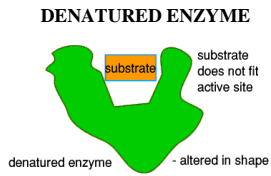
Induced Fit Model



[Enzyme animation](#)

## Factors that affect enzyme activity

1. temperature: (humans 35 – 40°C)
2. pH: (humans 6 – 8)



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