

22.1 Organic Chemistry

- The study of the compounds of carbon, not classified as inorganic
 - Plastics, fibers, dyes, drugs, insecticides, perfumes, petroleum products, etc...
- Carbon atoms
 - Form 4 covalent bonds
 - Bond with each other
 - Are able to make long chains

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Functional Groups

- **Functional groups** – small structural units within a molecule at which most of the compound's reactions occur
- Define organic families
- Functional groups are only a part of an organic molecule.
- *R* (and *R'*) – represents the unimportant part of the molecule that does not react,
 - Can be organic fragment containing carbon atoms
 - Sometimes, a hydrogen atom

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Family	Characteristic Structural Feature*	Example
Hydrocarbons	Only C and H atoms	CH ₄ , CH ₂ =CH ₂ , HC≡CH
	Family of Hydrocarbons Alkanes: only single bonds Alkenes: C=C Alkynes: C≡C	
	Aromatic: Benzene ring	
Ethers	ROR'	CH ₃ OCH ₃ , CH ₃ CH ₂ OH
Alcohols	ROH	
Aldehydes		CH ₃ CHO
		CH ₃ COCH ₃
Ketones		
		CH ₃ COOH
Carboxylic acids	RCOOH	
Esters		CH ₃ COOCH ₃
		CH ₃ NH ₂ , CH ₃ NHCH ₃ , CH ₃ N(CH ₃) ₂
Amines	RNH ₂ , RNHR', R ₂ NR''	
Amides		CH ₃ CONH ₂
		CH ₃ CN

*R, R', and R'' represent hydrocarbon groups—only groups defined in this text.

Others not in the table

Thiols RSH
Phosphates R-OPO₃
Chloro R-Cl
Cyano R-CN

You should be able to recognize functional groups and name them. See practice handout. 4

Functional Groups and Solubility

- The functional groups and size, determine if a molecule is soluble in water.
- “likes dissolve likes”
- Hydrocarbons are nonpolar and tend to be insoluble in water (a polar solvent).
- These include alkanes, alkenes and alkynes.
- Molecules can have a mixture of polar and nonpolar structures.

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Solubility and Forces

- Molecules with polar functional groups tend to be soluble in water.
- Alcohols, carboxylic acids, amines, and amides
- How?
- Hydrogen bonding!

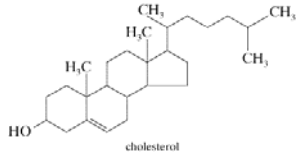
piperidine hydrogen-bonded to two water molecules

tetrahydropyran hydrogen-bonded to a water molecule

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Solubility and Size

- Large molecules, even if they contain polar functional groups, tend to be insoluble.



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We are skipping 22.2 – 22.6.

22.6 Most biochemicals are organic compounds

- Biochemistry is the systematic study of the chemicals of living things.
- Living things are composed mostly of organic compounds.
- Living systems require:
 - Materials (lipids)
 - Energy (lipids and carbohydrates)
 - Information or “blueprints” (proteins and nucleic acids)

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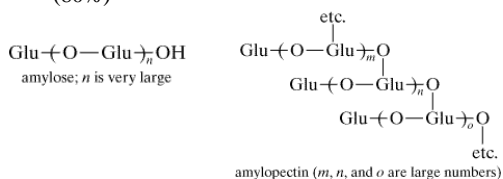
22.7 Carbohydrates

- Carbohydrates are monomers and macromolecules with empirical formulas of $C_x(H_2O)_y$ where x and y are integers.
- “hydrated carbon”
- Important food source for most organisms
- **Monosaccharides:** small molecules that when broken down provide quick energy for cells (sugar high)
 - Glucose, sucrose, fructose
- **Polysaccharides** – macromolecular carbohydrates that store large amounts of energy
 - Starch, glycogen and cellulose

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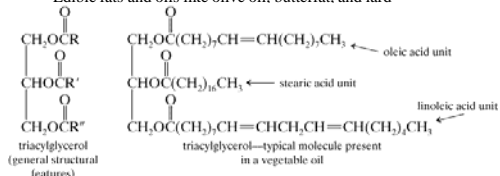
Polysaccharides

- Starch: polymers of glucose (Glu)
 - where plants store energy
 - two types: Amylose (20%) and Amylopectin (80%)



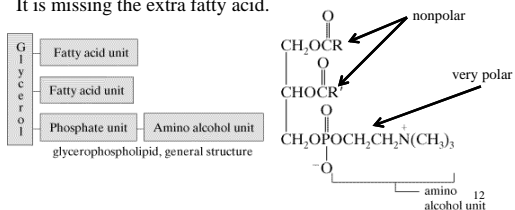
Lipids comprise a family of water-insoluble compounds

- Very large group of molecules.
- Only requirement is that **hydrocarbons compose a large portion of the molecule**
- Triacylglycerols are **one type** of lipid.
 - Esters between glycerol and three long chain **fatty acids**
 - Edible fats and oils like olive oil, butterfat, and lard

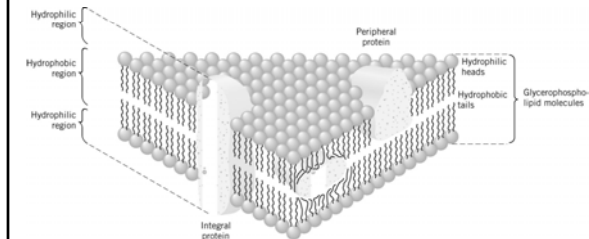
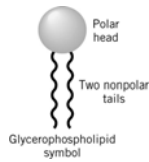


Lipids and Cell Membranes

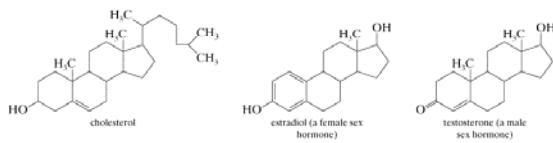
- **Glycerophospholipids** - lipids involved in animal cell membrane
- Composed of (a) glycerol, (b) 2 fatty acids and (c) a phosphate unit attached to an amino-alcohol unit
- It is missing the extra fatty acid.



- Large molecules that have a polar end and a nonpolar end.
- The nonpolar end (**tail**) is **hydrophobic**.
- The polar end (**head**) is **hydrophilic**.



Will they dissolve in water?



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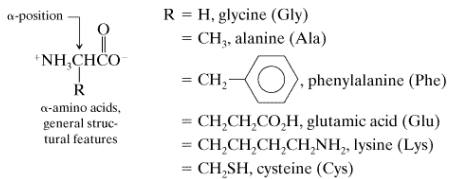
Proteins are polymers of amino acids.

- The most important biochemicals in cells are proteins (enzymes, antibodies, hormones, transport molecules, and structural materials)
 - Protect organisms from disease
 - Extract energy from food
 - Move essential cellular components
 - Responsible for vision, taste and smell
 - Etc...
 - Proteins are the molecular machinery of the cell.
- Macromolecules called **polypeptides**.
- Monomer components are from a set of 20 **amino acids**.

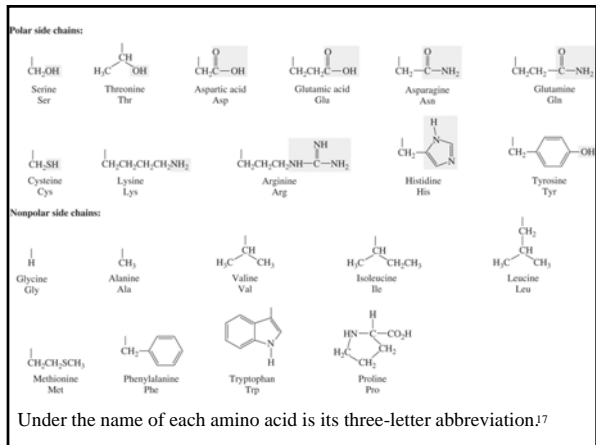
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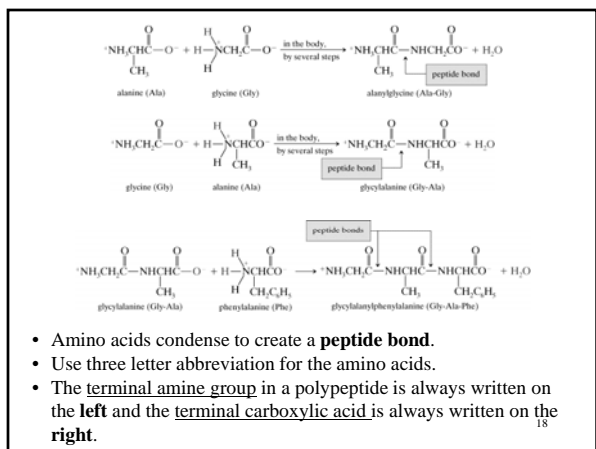
Amino Acids

- Building blocks of polypeptides
- All have 2 functional groups: amine and carboxylic acid.
- They are identified by their “R” group.



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Circle the amine terminus and put a square around the carboxylic acid terminus.

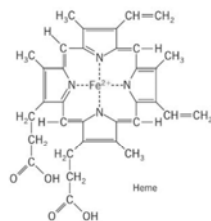
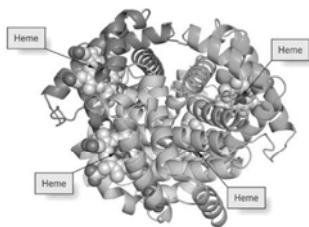
Gly – Ser – Glu – Phe – Phe – Lys – Lys – Lys

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Proteins

- Some proteins consist of a single polypeptide chain (a long molecule).
- MOST proteins are mixtures of two or more polypeptides (two or more long molecules).
- And in some proteins the polypeptides are identical.
- Proteins may also include small organic molecules and metal ions in their structure.

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- Hemoglobin – example of a protein with 4 polypeptide chains and the Heme molecule that imparts the red color of blood.
- Notice the iron(II) in the middle of Heme molecule.

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Protein Shape

- The final shape of a protein, called its **native form**, is critical to its ability to function.
- Physical agents such as heat, poisons, and certain solvents can alter a protein's native form.
 - When this happened the protein is said to have been **denatured**.
 - It loses its shape.
- A change in pH can radically alter the ability of a protein to function.
- Therefore, it is very important that body pH be stable.

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22.8 Nucleic Acids

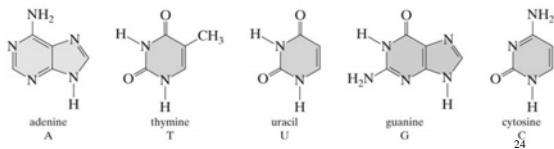
- The instructions for self-replication in biological organisms is stored and transmitted by macromolecules called nucleic acids.
- Genetic information is stored in molecules of DNA (deoxyribonucleic acid), located in the cell nuclei. (MM > 10⁹ g/mol)
- The information stored in DNA is transmitted by RNA (ribonucleic acid). (MM = 20,000 – 40,000 g/mol)

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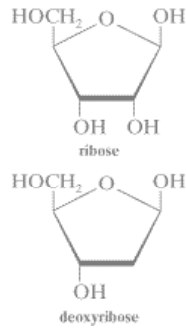
Nucleotides

Nucleotides: - the building blocks of nucleic acids, require 3 components

1. A nitrogen containing organic base
 - **Purines:** two-ring structures, adenine and guanine
 - **Pyrimidines:** one-ring structures, thymine (in DNA), cytosine and uracil (RNA)



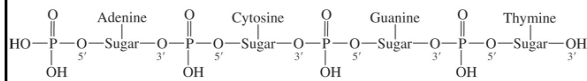
2. A pentose sugar
 - RNA - ribose
 - DNA - deoxyribose
3. A phosphate linkage derived from phosphoric acid



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Structure of Nucleic Acids

- A nucleic acid polymer contains nucleotide chains in which the phosphate group of one nucleotide links to the sugar ring of a second.
 - The primary structure: the sequence of bases



- ACGT

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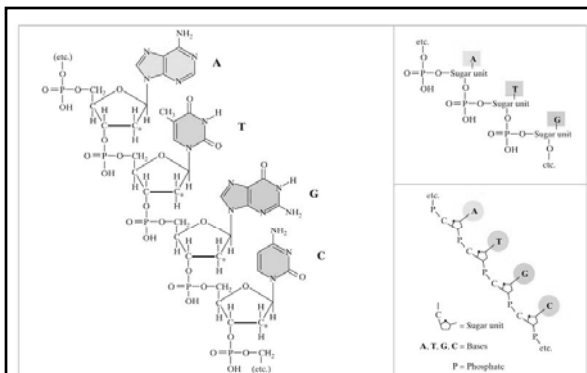


FIG. 22.13 Nucleic acids. A segment of a DNA chain featuring each of the four DNA bases. When the sites marked by asterisks each carry an OH group, the main "backbone" would be that of RNA. In RNA U replaces T. The insets show how simplified versions of a DNA strand can be drawn.

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2° DNA Structure

Backbones

C = deoxyribose
 -P- = phosphate ester bridge
 A = adenine
 T = thymine
 G = guanine
 C = cytosine
 - - = hydrogen bond

- Watson and Crick (1953)
- X-ray data actually taken by Rosalind Franklin.
- 2 strands of sugar-phosphate backbones wound around in a double helix.
- Held together by hydrogen bonds between bases.
- Complimentary base pairs – the matching of bases
 - Adenine pairs with thymine
 - Guanine pairs with cytosine
 - WHY!

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Is this going to happen???

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Hydrogen bonding!

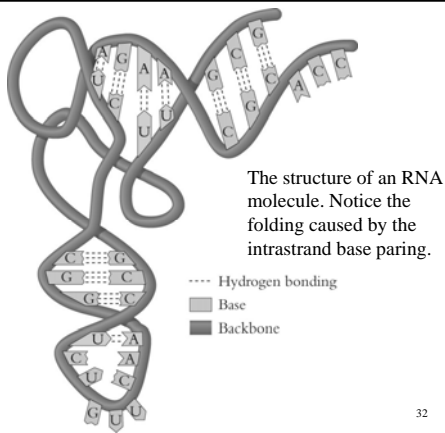
Or this?

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Structure of RNA

- Similar to DNA, but...
 - Sugar is ribose (**not deoxyribose**).
 - RNA uses uracil instead of thymine.
 - RNA is much smaller.
 - RNA is usually single stranded, not double-stranded..
- Complimentary base pairing (G w/C and A w/ U) creates loops and kinks
- The principle job of RNA is to provide information to synthesize proteins.

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