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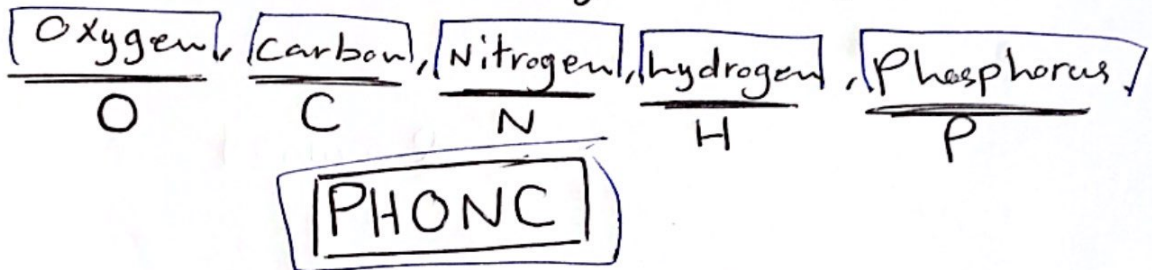
Lecture 2
- intro

★ Functional Groups
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Functional groups : They are specific groups of atoms or bonds within molecules that are responsible for: Characteristic chemical reactions of these molecules

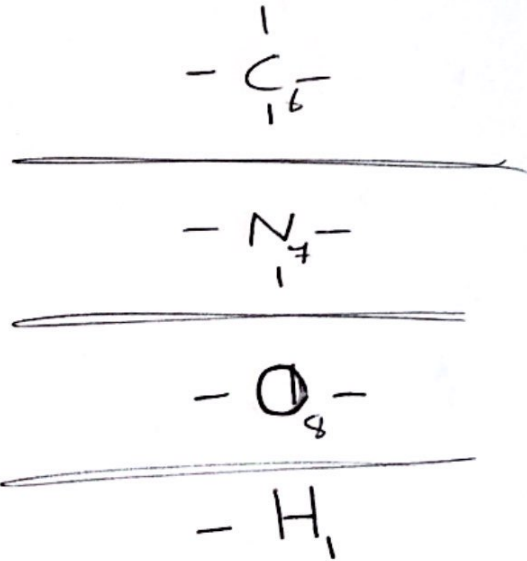
* Same functional groups will ~~not~~ undergo the same or similar chemical reactions regardless of the size of the molecule its part of

* Some elements involved forming functional groups :



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elem	Bonds can make
Carbon	4
Nitrogen	3
Oxygen	2
Hydrogen	1

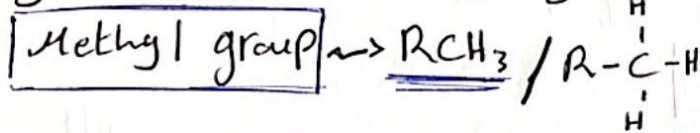


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* Some Functional groups :

① Hydrocarbons :

* Long chains of carbon and hydrogen ending with a:



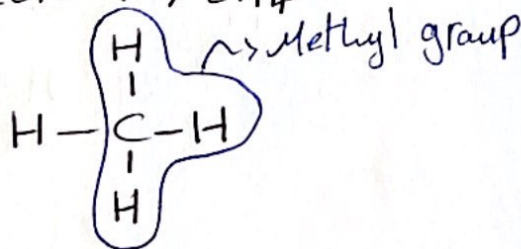
isn't soluble in water

* They are hydrophobic bc they are (non-polar)
 The E.N diff between C, H is < 0.5

2.5 \leftarrow 2.1 \leftarrow 0.4

* They form the backbone for most organic ~~compounds~~ molecules

Ex of hydrocarbons : Methane, CH_4



② Alcohols :

* characterized by hydroxyl group \rightarrow ROH / $R-OH$

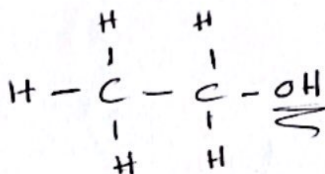
* They are hydrophilic bc they are Polar

E.N diff of O, H = 0.9 < 2.0 and > 0.5

3.5 \leftarrow 2.1

* They easily dissolve in water (Polar dissolves Polar)
 and are good ~~fuels~~ fuels
 Like = Like

Ex of alcohol : ethanol, CH_3CH_2OH



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③ Organic Phosphates :
↳ PO_3

* characterized by a Phosphate group $\sim PO_3$

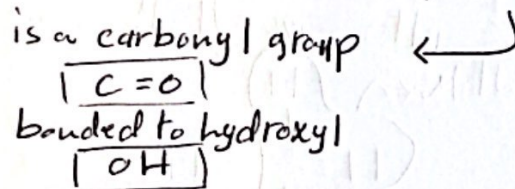
* These compounds are usually acidic

* can be found in ATP and DNA



④ Carboxylic acids :
↳ $COOH$

* char by a carboxyl group $\sim RCOOH / R-\overset{O}{\parallel}COH$



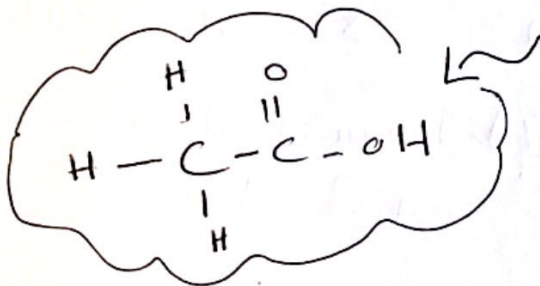
* referred to as organic acids

* They are water soluble (Polar) (hydrophilic)

* They are weak acids that are often aromatic
cycles \leftarrow

Ex of carboxylic acids : acetic acid
↳ known as

Vinegar



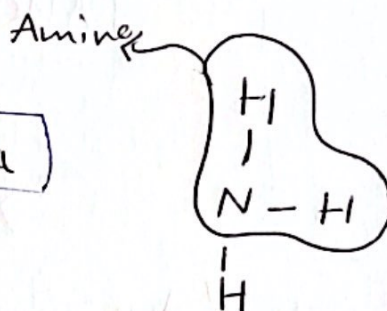
⑤ Amines :
↳ NH₂

* Characterised by an Amino group \rightsquigarrow RNH₂ / R-N(H)₂

* These compounds are water soluble (Polar)
(Hydrophilic)

* They are Weak bases

Ex of Amines : ammonia
NH₃

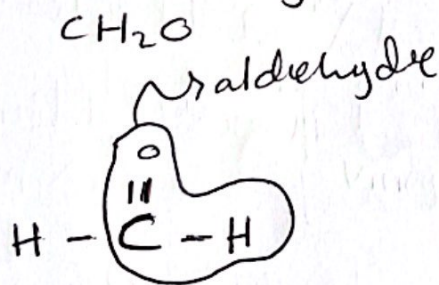


⑥ Aldehydes :
↳ CHO

* Characterised by aldehyde group \rightsquigarrow RCOH / R-C(=O)-H

* These compounds are Polar (Hydrophilic)

Ex of aldehydes : formaldehyde



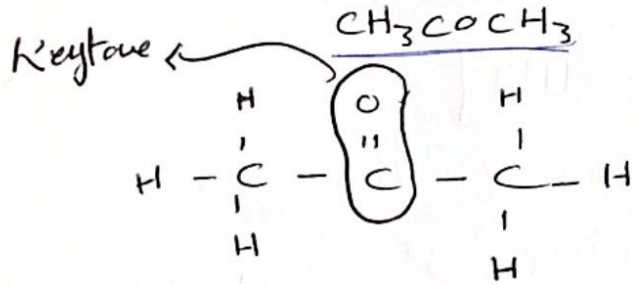
⑦ Ketones :
↳ RCO R

* Charred by a Ketone group ~ RCO R / R-C(=O)-R

* Polar and hydrophilic

* Many steroids contain Ketones

Ex of Ketone : acetone



Polar and hydrophilic

* Hydroxyl (alcohols)

* Carboxylic acid

* Amines

* Aldehydes

* Ketones

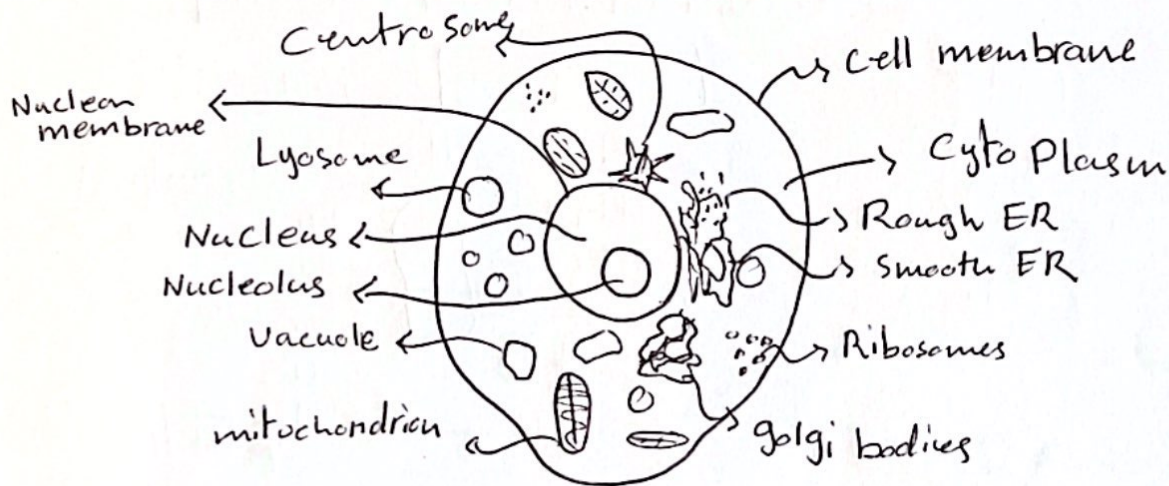
non-polar and hydrophobic

* Hydrocarbons

⑤

Cell: the unit of structure and functions in living organism

* The chemical composition of the cell in all organisms from bacteria to man is almost similar and mainly involving organic molecules



* usually there are 2 types of biochemical molecules :

① micromolecules (small size) :

such as: ~~Monosaccharides~~ sugars ,

- Amino Acids
- fatty acids
- Nucleotides

② Macromolecules (big or large size) :

such as: - Polysaccharides → multiple monos

- Proteins → multiple Amino acids

- some lipids → = fatty acids

- Nucleic acids → = Nucleotides

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* Macro and micro molecules are present in a dynamic state:

Converting from \circ

* \square micro \rightarrow \square macro
Requires Energy

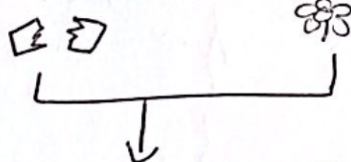
anabolism
 \uparrow
called Synthesis

* \square Macro \rightarrow \square micro
Produces/Liberates Energy

called Break'down
 \hookrightarrow catabolism

* This alternating ~~Process~~ Process is called **Metabolism**

involves a series of chemical reactions according to groups
Catabolism or anabolism



* Selection of either is based on the state of cell activity

- \rightarrow * if growth and development is needed its (anabolism)
- \rightarrow * if doing physical activity like moving muscles its (catabolism)

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So Biomolecules :

① Micromolecules

* inorganic compounds like : water & minerals

* organic compounds like :

- ① Mono saccharides

- ② Amino Acids

- ③ fatty Acids

- ④ Nucleotides

② Macromolecules

- ① Proteins

- ② Polysaccharides

- ③ nucleic acids

- ④ Some lipids

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Carbohydrates :

- They provide fast energy (4 kcal/gram) for humans
 - They are classified according to the number of saccharide (sugar) units they have
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* Monosaccharides :

- composed of 3 to 7 carbon atoms
- Their general formula is $(\text{CH}_2\text{O})_n$, ex: glucose
 $n = \text{carbon atoms} \leftarrow$ $\text{C}_6\text{H}_{12}\text{O}_6$

- According to the number of carbon atoms they are classified into :

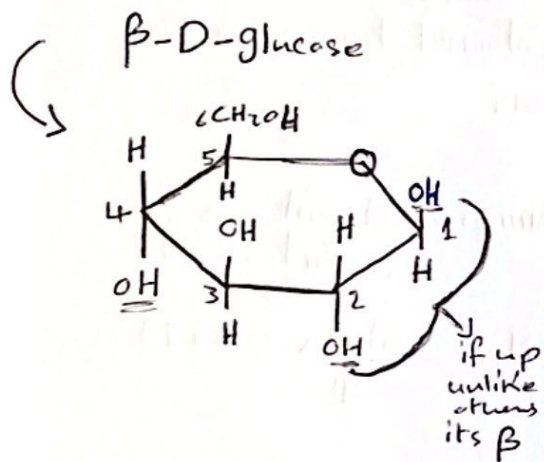
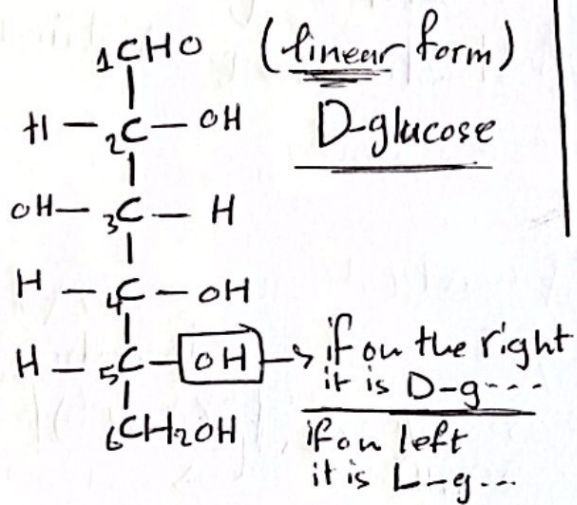
trioses, tetroses, pentoses, hexoses, heptoses respectively
3 4 5 6 7

- All monosaccharides contain a hydroxyl groups (OH) and either Aldehyde or Ketone group

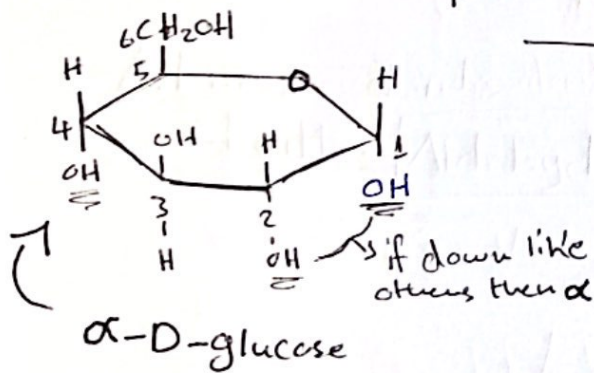
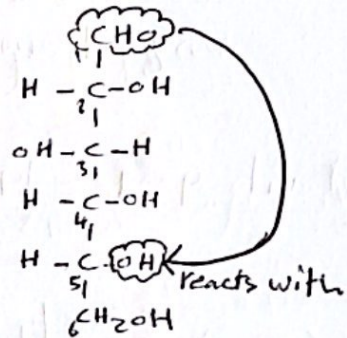
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- Pentoses and hexoses can Cyclize
 as the ketone or aldehyde group
 reacts with a distal OH group

exo



Cyclize
 C_1 react C_5
 CHO w/ OH



6-member Pyranose ring

* glucose forms an intra-molecular hemiacetal
 as the C_1 aldehyde and C_5 hydroxyl react
 to form a (6-member Pyranose ring)

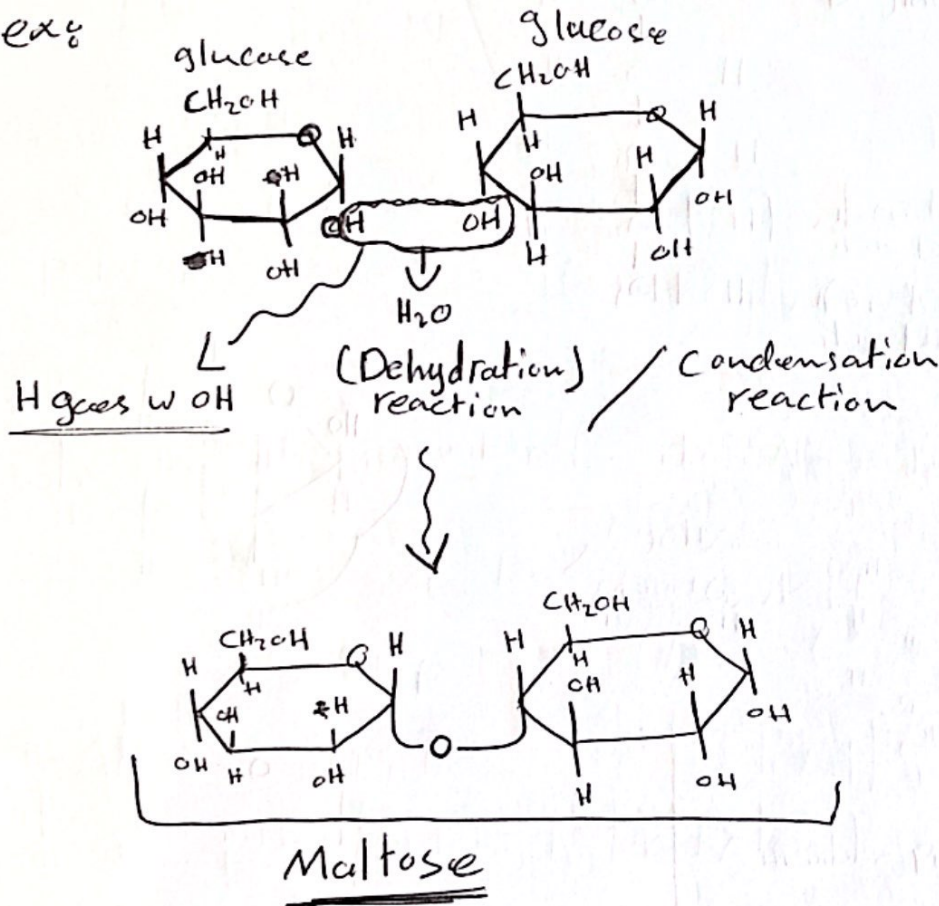
* These representations of the cyclic sugars (\square) are called:
 (Haworth Projections)

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* Disaccharides :

- They are formed when the hydroxyl group on the anumeric carbon of one sugar molecule interacts with one of several hydroxyl groups in the other sugar molecule.

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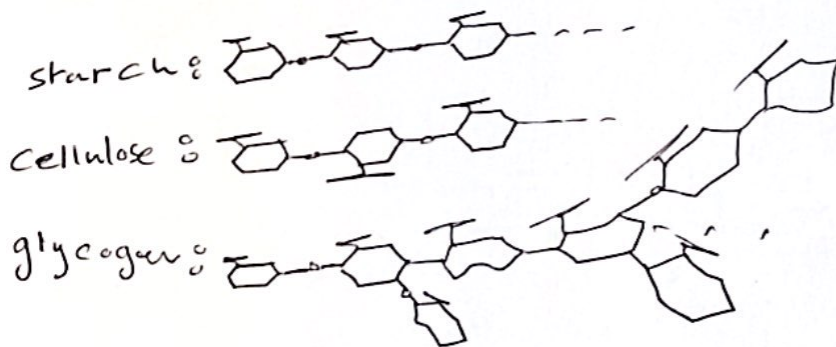


* Polysaccharides :

- They are polymers of monosaccharides
- They are created without a template by the addition of particular monosaccharides residues
- They are long carbohydrate molecules of repeated monomer units joined together by glycosidic bonds
- They range in structure from linear to highly branched
- They differ from each other in :

- ① the identity of their monosaccharide units
- ② their length
- ③ the degree of branching

ex :



* Amino acids and Proteins :

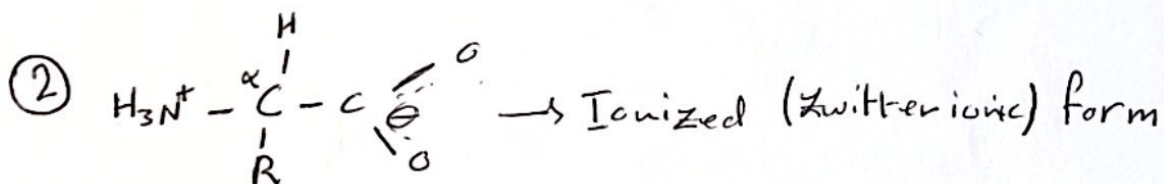
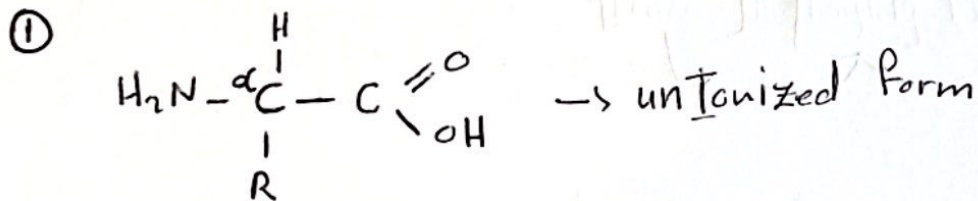
* Amino acids are the building block of Proteins

- They are biologically important molecules made from

amine (NH₂) and carboxylic acid (COOH)

functional groups along with a

side chain specific to each amino acid



* Proteins : are biochemical compounds consisting of one or more

Poly Peptides

↳ a Poly Peptide is a single linear Polymer chain of amino acids bonded together by peptide bonds between carboxyl and Amino groups of adjacent amino acid residues

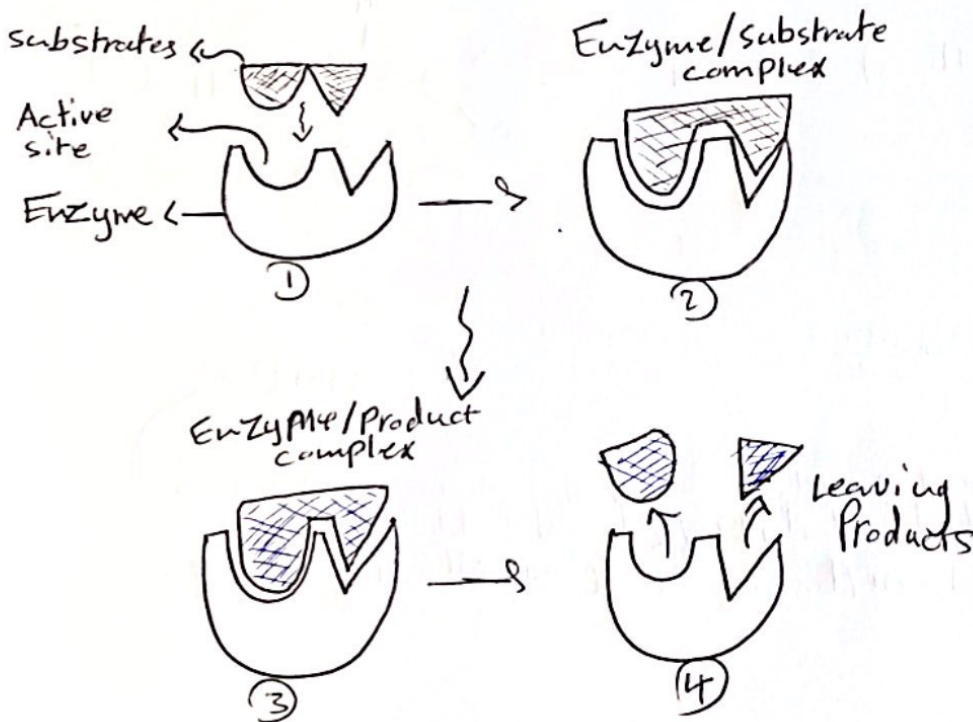
* Enzymes : Biological molecules that catalyze chemical reactions

* in Enzymic reactions the molecules at the beginning of the reactions are called substrates then converted to other molecules called Products

* Catalysis takes place at the active site which is a special Pocket or cleft

- The catalytic activity of many enzymes depends on the presence of small molecules termed cofactors

ex :



* Classification of Enzymes :

- Enzymes are classified into **6** categories based on:
The reaction they catalyze

① Oxidoreductases : catalyze oxidation/reduction reactions

② Transferases : transfer a functional group

③ Hydrolases : catalyze the hydrolysis of various bonds

④ Lyases : cleave various bonds by means other than hydrolysis and oxidation

⑤ Isomerases : catalyze isomerization changes within a single molecule

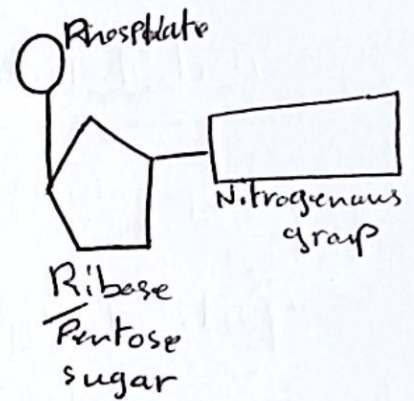
⑥ Ligases : Join two molecules with covalent bonds

* Nucleotides and Nucleic acids :

* Nucleotides are molecules that when joined make up the individual structural units of the nucleic acids RNA and DNA

- They are made up of :

① Ribose sugar in RNA and deoxyribose in DNA



② phosphate group

③ a Nitrogenous base (A, C, T, G)
 Adenine Cytosine Thymine Guanine

* Nucleic Acids : They include the :
deoxyribonucleic acid and ribonucleic acid
DNA RNA

- together with proteins they are the most important biological macromolecules

A bonds w T A = T
2 bonds

C bonds w G C ≡ G
3 bonds

* Lipids :

- They provide long term energy storage (9 Kcal/gram) for humans
- Provide padding and insulation
- Store fat soluble vitamins (A, D, E, K...etc)
- They form the backbone of hormones and cell membranes

① Fats : - they are 3 Fatty acids bonded to an Ester of glycerol
- they can be saturated or unsaturated } ester link Bond
Essential Fatty acids include :
linoleic and linolenic acids

② Waxes : - similar to fats but are composed of much longer fatty acids
- Molecular attractions between fatty acid chains accounts for their higher melting point
gotta break em

③ Phospholipids : - similar to fats but one of the fatty acid groups is replaced with a Phosphate group
- The structure gives it interesting characteristics
- The Ester of the glycerol is hydrophilic but the fatty acid chains are hydrophobic

④ Steroids : - The least common kind of lipids
- They have a high hydrogen to carbon ratio
- Examples include :
- cholesterol
- hormones like testosterone and estrogen
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* Water: - Has many unique Properties that make it essential for all life

- Most of these properties are of the Hydrogen bonding between water molecules

- water is an excellent solvent:

* when Ionic compounds are put in water they Dissociate or separate (the ions)

Hydrophilic ← * Polar covalent compounds also dissolve in water because they have charged poles

Hydrophobic ← * Non polar covalent compound Do NOT dissolve in water

* water has high Cohesion: individual water molecules tend to "stick" with other water molecules due to:

Hydrogen Bonding

↳ This leads to two characteristics of water:

① high surface tension

← التوتر السطحي

② strong capillary action

← زوال الماء

* water's high surface tension is what allows some insects to run on water (across the surface)

* water's strong capillary action is what allows the liquid level in a straw to be higher than the surrounding drink
- bc using hydrogen bonding, water molecules attract others up the sides of the straw



capillary action

- more noticeable in thinner straws

* Water has a high specific heat capacity :

- it takes a lot of energy to change the temp of water

- when you sweat your body is using water as a coolant
(The evaporating water removes heat with it)

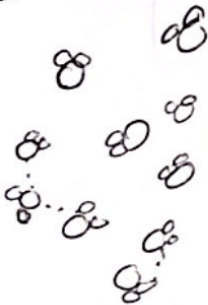
- At night, oceans are a good insulator, the energy that the sun spent heating water all day is slowly released into the night

* because of hydrogen bonding, when water freezes the water molecules arrange into hollow "cells" shape making it less dense than liquid water

↳ bc more volume

$$\downarrow \text{density} = \frac{\text{mass}}{\uparrow \text{Volume}}$$

as liquid



as ice

