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# Lipids: Classification

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## Problem Set #5

- Voet and Voet, 3rd edition
- Chapter 2 Problems 1, 3, 5, 8, 10, 12, 14,
- Chapter 4 Problems 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 8, 10,
- Chapter 8 Problems 1, 4, 5, 6, 7, 12, 13, 18  
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- Chapter 9 Problems 3, 4, 6, 7, 12, 13
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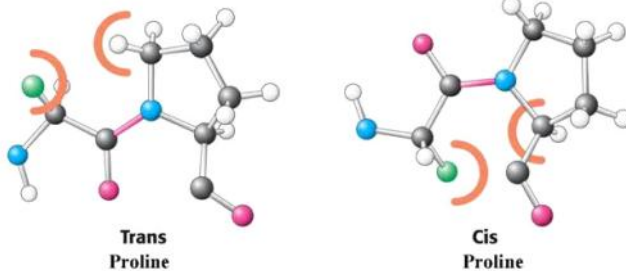
## Today's Overview

- Quick discussion of conformation vs. configuration
- Finish our focused discussion of carbohydrates
  - Lactose (mistaken identity)
  - Peptidoglycan
- Fats



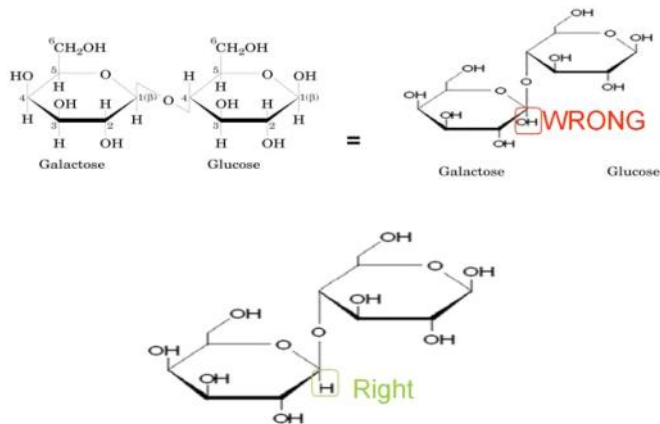
### Proline's **configuration** about peptide bond (slide from Oct. 8, 2007)

Proline has a fixed phi angle. We describe its R-group's arrangement in space as either the trans or cis configuration/conformation. For the other amino acids the arrangement in space is described as either the trans or cis conformation.



Cis trans is technically a conformation not a configuration, but is sometimes loosely called configuration

## Lactose (slide 5 from 10/16/07)

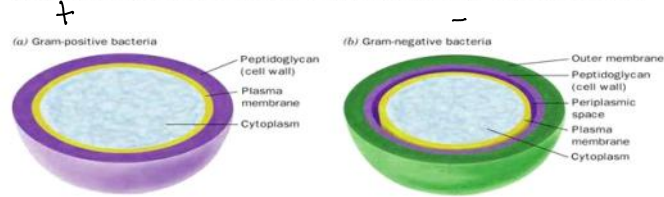


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Peptidoglycan (a.k.a. murein) is a polysaccharide that serves a structural role in bacterial cell walls

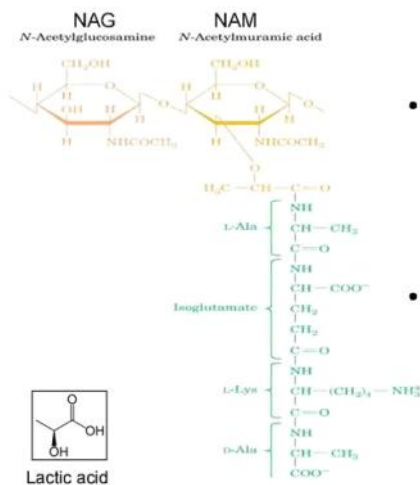
- Covalently linked polysaccharide and polypeptide chains form the peptidoglycan framework
- Medically significant because the cell wall is responsible for bacterial virulence
- Cell walls alone can induce disease symptoms in humans
- The thickness of the cell wall that encloses the plasma membrane distinguishes bacteria as either gram-positive or gram-negative

Schematic diagram comparing the cell envelopes of (a) gram-positive bacteria and (b) gram-negative bacteria.



- Gram-positive wall is about 250 angstroms *thicker* thick
- Gram-negative wall is about 30 angstroms *thinner* thick

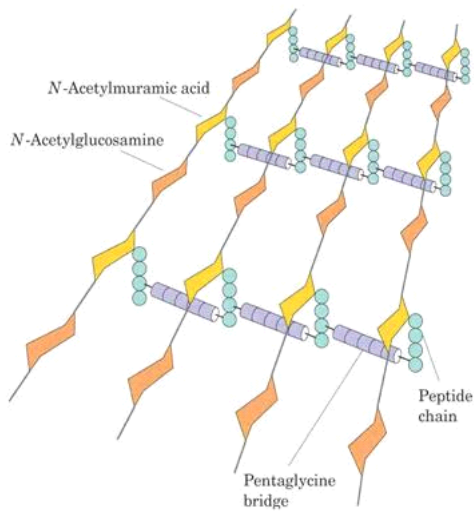
Chemical structure of the repeating unit of peptidoglycan



- The polysaccharide portion is an alternating NAG and NAM linked beta(1-->4)
- NAM has a tetrapeptide linked by an amide bond to its lactic acid moiety

Don't need to know to draw entire thing on exam but should be able to identify components and it

## Structure of the gram positive *Staphylococcus aureus* bacterial cell wall peptidoglycan



- Peptidoglycan chains form parallel layers that are cross-linked by a pentaglycine bridge
- The pentaglycine bridge extends from the terminal carboxyl group of one tetrapeptide to the epsilon-amino group of the K in the neighboring tetrapeptide

## Lipids



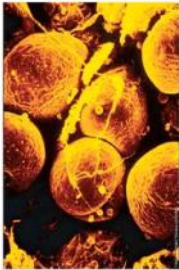
- Triacylglycerols
- Glycerophospholipids
- Sphingolipids
- Cholesterol

Lipids make up a very heterogenous class of highly reduced biological compounds that consist of fats, oils, and waxes

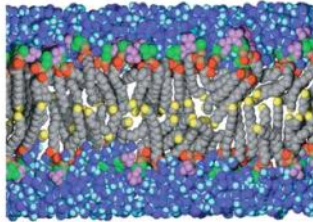
- Biological functions
  - Energy storage
  - Membrane components
  - Protective coatings
  - Precursors to bile acids, hormones, vitamins, intercellular mediators
  - Insulation
  - Pulmonary surfactants
- Classification
  - Biological roles
  - Structural composition
- Some properties
  - Soluble in organic solvents (chloroform, methanol)
  - Very little (if any) solubility in water

## Lipids play various biological roles

- Triacylglycerols are energy storage lipids
  - (a.k.a. triglycerides)
- Phospholipids, glycolipids, and cholesterol are membrane lipids



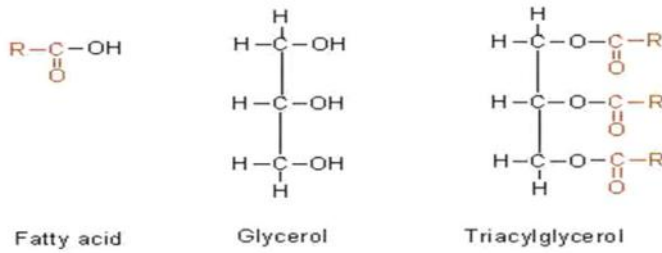
Electron micrograph of adipocytes



Example of a lipid bilayer

Triglycerol and triglycerides are same thing

## Triacylglycerols are involved in energy storage in animals



- Nonpolar, water-insoluble, fatty acid triesters of glycerol
- Most abundant class of lipids

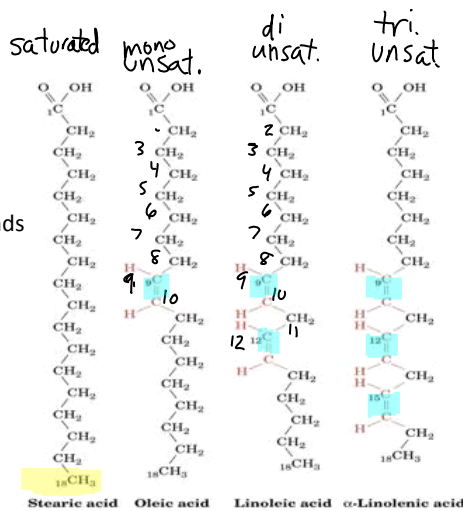
What is a fatty acid?

## Fatty acids are carboxylic acids with long chain hydrocarbon side groups

f.a = fatty acid

Saturated=  
No double bonds

methyl  
end



- Rarely occur in the free form in nature
- Predominant residues are C<sub>16</sub> and C<sub>18</sub> species palmitic, oleic, linoleic, and steric acids
- Uncommon to find f.a. that are <14 and >20 carbon atoms long
- Most f.a. have an even number of carbons
- Saturated and unsaturated
- Found in triacylglycerols, waxes

Found in glycerophospholipids, sphingolipids, cholesterol too

## Saturated fatty acids

#C in chain  
↓

Symbol <sup>a</sup>	Common Name	Systematic Name	Structure	mp (°C)
<b>Saturated fatty acids</b>				
12:0	Lauric acid	Dodecanoic acid	CH <sub>3</sub> (CH <sub>2</sub> ) <sub>10</sub> COOH	44.2
14:0	Myristic acid	Tetradecanoic acid	CH <sub>3</sub> (CH <sub>2</sub> ) <sub>12</sub> COOH	52
16:0	Palmitic acid	Hexadecanoic acid	CH <sub>3</sub> (CH <sub>2</sub> ) <sub>14</sub> COOH	63.1
18:0	Stearic acid	Octadecanoic acid	CH <sub>3</sub> (CH <sub>2</sub> ) <sub>16</sub> COOH	69.6
20:0	Arachidic acid	Eicosanoic acid	CH <sub>3</sub> (CH <sub>2</sub> ) <sub>18</sub> COOH	75.4
22:0	Behenic acid	Docosanoic acid	CH <sub>3</sub> (CH <sub>2</sub> ) <sub>20</sub> COOH	81
24:0	Lignoceric acid	Tetracosanoic acid	CH <sub>3</sub> (CH <sub>2</sub> ) <sub>22</sub> COOH	84.2

increasing  
↓

- Free to move about each C-C bond
- Assumes wide arrange of conformations
- Fully extended form is most energetically favorable
- Melting point increases with size

Do not have to  
memorize melting  
points

Know the fatty acids in the blue boxes, # of carbons, common name, system name, structure (basically everything in box)



All of these have 18C but differ by # of double bonds

## Unsaturated Fatty Acids

Systematic name... need to give structure given it but don't need to know inverse.

Symbol <sup>a</sup>	Common Name	Systematic Name	Structure	mp (°C)
<b>Unsaturated fatty acids (all double bonds are cis)</b>				
16:1n-7	Palmitoleic acid	9-Hexadecenoic acid	$\text{CH}_3(\text{CH}_2)_7\text{CH}=\text{CH}(\text{CH}_2)_7\text{COOH}$	-0.5
18:1n-7	Oleic acid	9-Octadecenoic acid	$\text{CH}_3(\text{CH}_2)_7\text{CH}=\text{CH}(\text{CH}_2)_7\text{COOH}$	13.4
18:2n-6	Linoleic acid	9,12-Octadecadienoic acid	$\text{CH}_3(\text{CH}_2)_4\text{CH}=\text{CHCH}_2\text{CH}=\text{CH}(\text{CH}_2)_4\text{COOH}$	-9
18:3n-3	$\alpha$ -Linolenic acid	9,12,15-Octadecatrienoic acid	$\text{CH}_3\text{CH}_2\text{CH}=\text{CHCH}_2\text{CH}=\text{CHCH}_2\text{CH}=\text{CH}(\text{CH}_2)_3\text{COOH}$	-17
18:3n-6	$\gamma$ -Linolenic acid	6,9,12-Octadecatrienoic acid	$\text{CH}_3(\text{CH}_2)_4\text{CH}=\text{CHCH}_2\text{CH}=\text{CHCH}_2\text{CH}=\text{CH}(\text{CH}_2)_3\text{COOH}$	-49.5
20:4n-4	Arachidonic acid	5,8,11,14-Eicosatetraenoic acid	$\text{CH}_3(\text{CH}_2)_4\text{CH}=\text{CHCH}_2\text{CH}=\text{CHCH}_2\text{CH}=\text{CHCH}_2\text{CH}=\text{CH}(\text{CH}_2)_2\text{COOH}$	-54
20:5n-3	EPA	5,8,11,14,17-Eicosapentaenoic acid	$\text{CH}_3\text{CH}_2\text{CH}=\text{CHCH}_2\text{CH}=\text{CHCH}_2\text{CH}=\text{CHCH}_2\text{CH}=\text{CHCH}_2\text{CH}=\text{CH}(\text{CH}_2)_2\text{COOH}$	-54
22:6n-3	DHA	4,7,10,13,16,19-Docosahexaenoic acid	$\text{CH}_3\text{CH}_2\text{CH}=\text{CHCH}_2\text{CH}=\text{CHCH}_2\text{CH}=\text{CHCH}_2\text{CH}=\text{CHCH}_2\text{CH}=\text{CHCH}_2\text{CH}=\text{CHCH}_2\text{CH}=\text{CH}(\text{CH}_2)_2\text{COOH}$	-54
24:1n-9	Nervonic acid	15-Tetracosenoic acid	$\text{CH}_3(\text{CH}_2)_9\text{CH}=\text{CH}(\text{CH}_2)_{13}\text{COOH}$	39

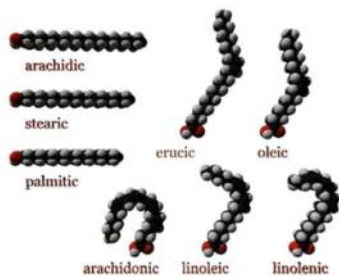
<sup>a</sup>Number of carbon atoms : number of double bonds. For unsaturated fatty acids,  $n$  is the number of carbon atoms,  $n - x$  is the double-bonded carbon atom, and  $x$  is the number of that carbon atom counting from the methyl terminal ( $\omega$ ) end of the chain.

Source: Dawson, R.M.C., Elliott, D.C., Elliott, W.H., and Jones, K.M., *Data for Biochemical Research* (3rd ed.), Chapter 8, Clarendon Press (1986).

- Double bonds are indicated in symbol and tend to occur at every third carbon toward the methyl terminus
- 18:1n-9 means that it is an 18 carbon fatty acid, there is one double bond, the double bond occurs after carbon #9
- 18:3n-3 means that it is an 18 carbon fatty acids, there are three double bonds, and the double bonds are located after carbons #15, 12, and 9

Need to know to decipher symbol

## Unsaturated fatty acids



more kinks → more unsaturation

- Double-bond almost always cis configuration
- Rigid 30° bend restricts packing
- Reduced van der Waals interactions
- m.p. increases with increasing unsaturation
- Lard is solid, vegetable oil is liquid at R.T.

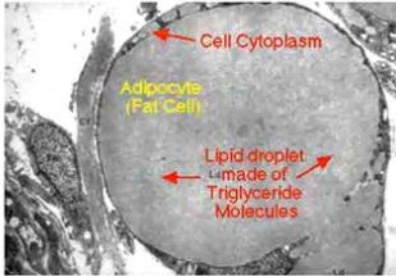
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Example of a solid fat at room temperature



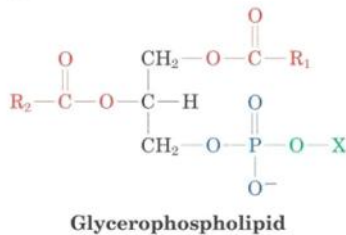
Now we can discuss  
triacylglycerols some more

# Triacylglycerols are efficient for energy storage



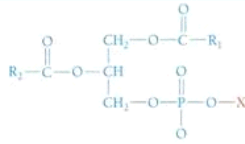
- Less oxidized than proteins and carbohydrates (*more reduced*)
- Stored in anhydrous form
- Provides 6X energy than glycogen
- Made and stored in adipocytes of animals
- Typical human can use stored fat to survive starvations for 2-3 months
- Glycogen only lasts a day

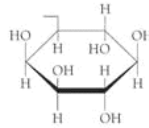
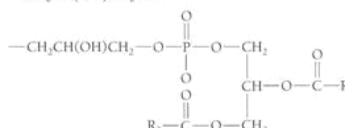
## Glycerophospholipids



- A.k.a <sup>S</sup>phosphoglycerides
- Major component of biological membranes
- Consist of a glycerol, two fatty acids ( $\text{R}_1$  and  $\text{R}_2$ ), and polar phosphoryl-X head group (usually alcohols)
- $\text{R}_1$  is usually a saturated  $\text{C}_{16}$  or  $\text{C}_{18}$  f.a. and  $\text{R}_2$  is usually an unsaturated  $\text{C}_{16}$  to  $\text{C}_{20}$  f.a.

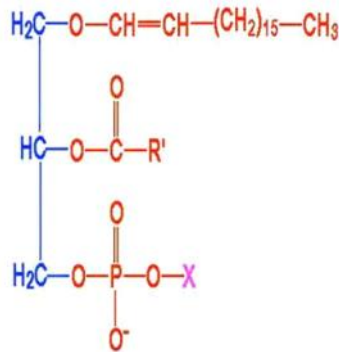
## Common Classes of Glycerophospholipids



Name of X—OH	Formula of—X	Name of Phospholipid
Water	—H	Phosphatidic acid
Ethanolamine	—CH <sub>2</sub> CH <sub>2</sub> NH <sub>3</sub> <sup>+</sup>	Phosphatidylethanolamine
Choline	—CH <sub>2</sub> CH <sub>2</sub> N(CH <sub>3</sub> ) <sub>3</sub> <sup>+</sup>	Phosphatidylcholine (lecithin)
Serine	—CH <sub>2</sub> CH(NH <sub>3</sub> )COO <sup>−</sup>	Phosphatidylserine
<i>myo</i> -Inositol		Phosphatidylinositol
Glycerol	—CH <sub>2</sub> CH(OH)CH <sub>2</sub> OH	Phosphatidylglycerol
Phosphatidylglycerol		Diphosphatidylglycerol (cardiolipin)

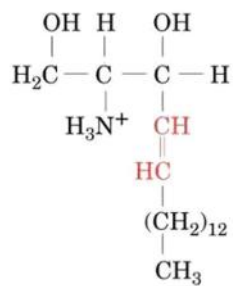
Need to recognize structure and components of highlighted ones. Do not need to draw from scratch.

## Plasmalogens are a type of glycerophospholipid



- Vinyl ether on C1 rather than an ester
- Head groups (X) are commonly ethanolamine, choline

## Sphingolipids are also major membrane components



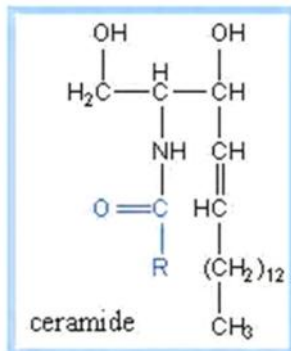
**Sphingosine**

- Sphingolipids are derived from sphingosine

Know this structure

Not a fatty acid

## The N-acyl fatty acid derivative of sphingosine is ceramide



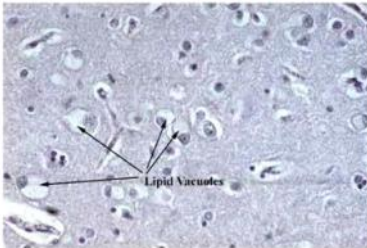
- Ceramides are the parent compounds of the more common sphingolipids
  - Sphingomyelins
  - Cerebrosides
  - Gangliosides

## Common sphingolipids

- **Sphingomyelin**      In myelin sheets of nerve cells
  - Ceramides + phosphocholine or phosphoethanolamine head group
  - Most common sphingolipid
  - Major component of myelin sheaths of nerve cells
- **Cerebrosides**
  - Ceramides + monosaccharide residue head group
  - Found in neuronal cell membranes of the brain and in the membranes of other tissues
- **Gangliosides**
  - Ceramide + oligosaccharides
  - Primarily components of cell-surface membranes and significant portion of brain lipids (6%)

Should be able to distinguish between these when given structure

## Gangliosides are medically significant

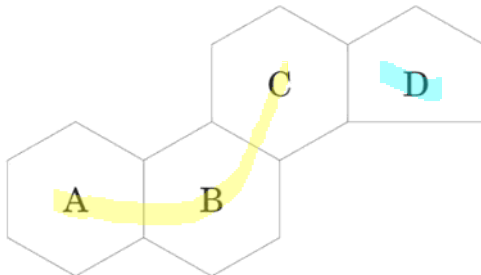


Neurons affected by Tay-Sachs

- Complex carbohydrate head groups act as specific receptors for certain pituitary hormones
- Receptors for bacterial protein toxins like cholera toxin
- Thought to play an important role in cell growth and differentiation
- May be involved in carcinogenesis
- Tay-Sachs disease is a hereditary sphingolipid (ganglioside) storage disease marked by fatal neurological deterioration

- Lipids we have discussed so far:
  - Triacylglycerols
  - Glycerophospholipids
  - Sphingolipids
- Now let's discuss cholesterol

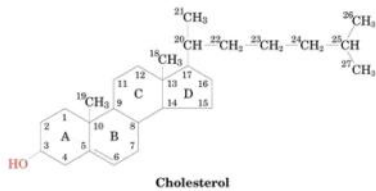
Steroids are derivatives of a rigid four fused ring structure



**Cyclopentanoperhydrophenanthrene**

Should know this long name

## Cholesterol is the most abundant steroid in animals



- Major component of animal plasma membranes
- Occurs in membranes of subcellular organelles to a lesser extent
- Flexible hydrophobic tail
- **Polar head**
- Weakly amphipathic
- Rigid
- Abundant in blood plasma lipoproteins

Will not have to draw but should be able to identify

## Cholesterol serves many functions

- Precursor to bile acids, which aid in lipid digestion
- Precursors to steroid hormones
- Major component of plasma membranes
- Minor component of subcellular organelles