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Lecture 4: Continue Carbohydrates

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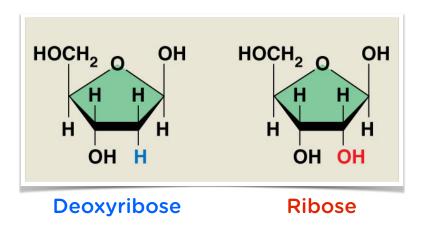
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Announcements

- Student Hours today *may* start a few minutes late
- Upcoming (lecture) assignments:
 - Lecture 4 post-lecture due 1:00 PM Thursday
 - Lecture 5 pre-lecture due 1:00 PM Friday
 - Lecture 5 post-lecture due 1:00 PM Monday
 - Lecture 6 pre-lecture due 1:00 PM Monday

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Other monosaccharides have similar (but not identical) formulas, similar structures, and related functions:



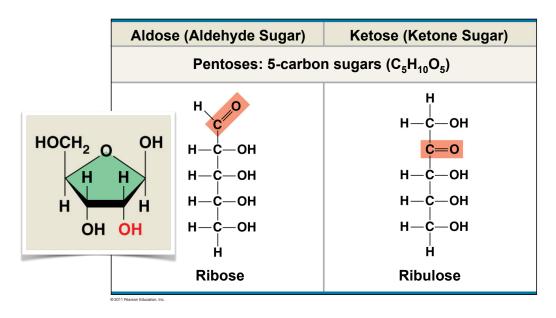
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Monosaccharides are typically found with 3, 5, or 6 carbons

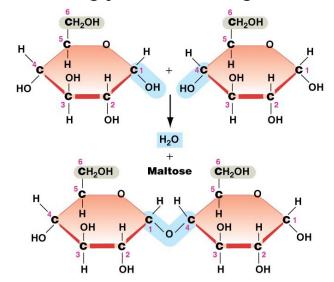


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Two monosaccharides can be brought together to form a very simple polysaccharide called a **disaccharide** via a covalent bond called a *glycosidic linkage*.



Note that the glucose molecule contributing its C_1 is an alpha glucose, making the resulting glycosidic linkage an α -1,4 glycosidic linkage.

Cellobiose (not shown) is a disaccharide of beta glucose and another glucose connected via a β -1,4 glycosidic linkage.

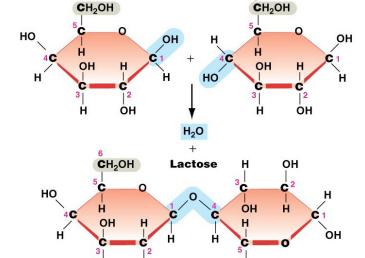
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In maltose and cellobiose, both monosaccharides are glucose, but not all disaccharides have to be the same monomers:

Lactose (milk sugar) is a disaccharide of glucose and galactose.



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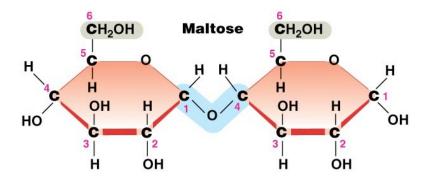
Sucrose (table sugar) is a disaccharide of glucose and fructose.

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The chemical formula for a disaccharide of hexose sugars is $C_{12}H_{22}O_{11}$



Why does this differ from the general formula of $C_n(H_2O)_n$?

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Some common terminology:

- One monomer is a monosaccharide.
- Two monomers are a disaccharide.
- Several monomers are called an **oligosaccharide** (oligo = several).
- Hundreds or thousands of monomers are a **polysaccharide** (poly = many).

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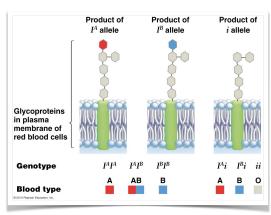
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Carbohydrates can be modified:

- Linkage of oligosaccharides to other macromolecules
 - When covalently linked to membrane proteins or lipids, carbohydrates act as identification and recognition molecules (chemical markers), as in blood typing.



Outside of cell

Plasma membrane

Protein

Inside of cell

Glycoprotein

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Carbohydrates can be modified:

• Addition of chemical groups:

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Polysaccharides serve as chemical sources of energy or structural compounds:

- Cellulose
- Starches
- Glycogen

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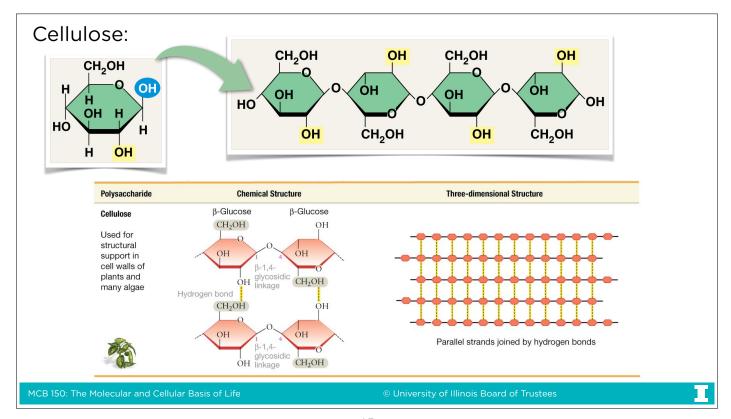
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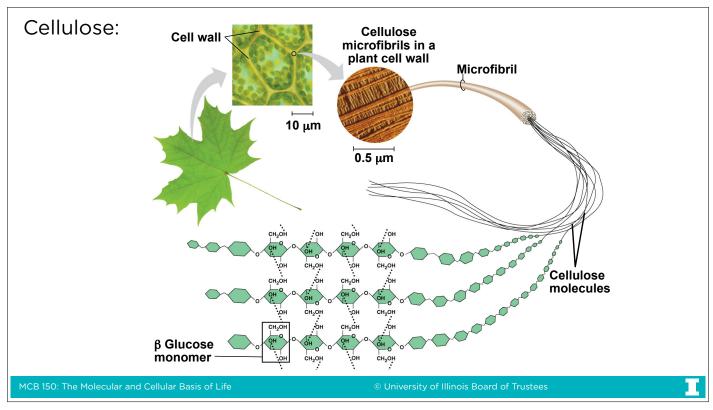
Cellulose:

- The most abundant carbon-containing (i.e., organic) compound on Earth
- Found in plant cell walls
- Linear, unbranched polymer of glucose
 - monomers covalently linked by β -1,4 glycosidic linkages
 - linear polymers held together by hydrogen bonding with neighboring strands

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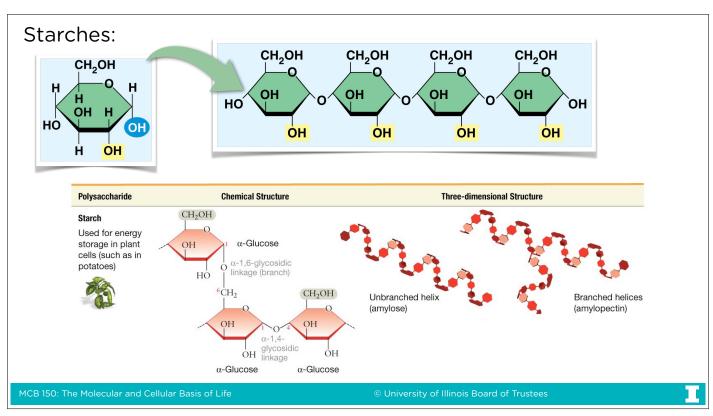
Starches:

- Found chiefly in seeds, fruits, tubers, roots and stems of plants; energy storage
- Helical, unbranched or loosely branched polymers of glucose
 - monomers within chains covalently linked by α -1,4 glycosidic linkages
 - chains branch by connecting with other chains by $\alpha\mbox{-1,6}$ glycosidic linkages

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Glycogen:

- Found in muscle and liver cells of animals; energy storage
- Helical, highly branched polymers of glucose
 - monomers within chains covalently linked by α -1,4 glycosidic linkages
 - chains branch by connecting with other chains by α -1,6 glycosidic linkages

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