

Chapter 5

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- There are four main macromolecules:
 1. Carbohydrate
 2. Lipids
 3. Proteins
 4. Nucleic Acids
- Proteins are the most complex out of the four molecules
- There are two forms of macromolecules:
 1. Monomer – The smallest unit of a macromolecule
 2. Polymer – A larger molecule made up of smaller monomers
- Dehydration Synthesis – Two hydrogen and one oxygen are removed from smaller molecules, allowing bonds to form more complex molecules
- Hydrolysis – Reverse of Dehydration Synthesis, -lysis ending means breaking. Water is required for this
- Carbohydrates:
 1. These are sugars and starches
 2. Monomers made up of C, H, and O (1:2:1 ratio)
 3. Short-term energy storage and structures
 4. Monomer – Monosaccharides
 - (a) Examples: Glucose, Galactose, & Fructose
 - (b) Combination of two forms Disaccharides, created through dehydration synthesis (Glucose + Glucose = Maltose, Glucose + Fructose = Sucrose, Glucose + Galactose = Lactose)

5. Polymer – Polysaccharide

- (a) Glucose polymers have two main functions: Energy Storage for short term, amylose in plants and glycogen in animals, and Structural support, mostly in plants, as cellulose
- (b) Starch vs Cellulose – Starches are alpha linked, whereas cellulose is beta linked

6. Herbivores:

- (a) Termites – Symbiotic relationship with a protist, which lives in the termite's gut. This protist digests cellulose
- (b) Ruminants – Cows are an example. Cows have bacteria that break down the cellulose, while the cow keeps regurgitating it
- (c) Caecophores – Bunnies are an example. They process the cellulose by eating some of their cecal (pre-fecal) matter, as the cellulose is only partly digested before it comes out

7. Chitin – A modified polysaccharide that exists in fungi, arthropod exoskeletons, and dissolving stitches

• Lipids:

- 1. Exist as fats, oils, and waxes
- 2. Made up with C, H, O
- 3. Used for long-term storage and insulation
- 4. No polymers
- 5. Three groups: Triglycerides, Phospholipids, and Steroids
 - (a) Triglycerides are made of one glycerol & 3 fatty acids
 - (b) Triglycerides are connected by dehydration synthesis three times
 - (c) Saturated Fat – No double bonds between carbons
 - (d) Unsaturated Fat – At least one double bond (kinked), this influences the properties of the lipid. Unsaturated stay liquid at room temperature.
 - (e) Phospholipids are a modified version of the triglyceride, but with a phosphate rather than a fatty acid
 - (f) Phospholipids have a polar and non-polar region
 - (g) Big part of cell membranes, arranged in a bi-layer
 - (h) Steroids are made up of cholesterol and some types of hormones
 - (i) Steroids' structures are shaped as fused rings
 - (j) Have a variety of functions (functional groups)