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# 1 | Structure of Lipids

## Fatty acids

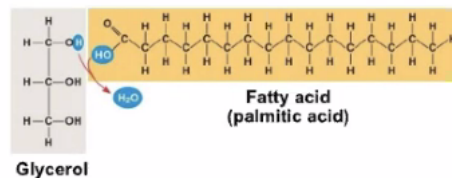


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A single pentene and embellishments. **Single Fatty acids = Glycerol**

## Trygricerol

**Fat! (a.k.a. adipose tissue) = Triglycerol: three glycerals together.**

## Saturated vs. Unsaturated fats

**Saturate Fats** *No double bonds* in the carbon chain — think! butter

**Unsaturated Fats** *Double bonds* in the carbon chain — think! olive oils

Saturated fats has a higher melting point then the unsaturated fats, but unsaturated fats have double bonds whereas saturated fats have single bonds only. Why?

- Double bonds, due to their caused VESPR geometry (and hence the -1 hydrogen), are curved. This makes it harder to stack together, causing a lower melting point
- Single bonds, due to their caused VESPR geometry, is flat. This makes them easier to stack together, causing a higher melting point.

## Phospholipids

**2 fatty acids (hydrophobic) + phosphate group (hydrophilic)**

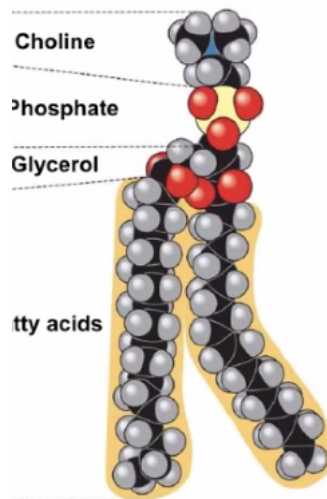


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A combination of many of these will end up with membrane: Screen Shot 2020-09-09 at 3.08.10 PM.png  
 The hydrophobic tail stays inside, and the hydrophilic head pokes outside and attracts water.

## Liposomes + micelles

### Lots of phospholipids

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A same idea as phospholipids, but instead in a big wad of balls. this arrangement is also how basic cells form membranes.