

Carbon atoms can form four covalent bonds.

Carbon compounds which life is based on are; carbohydrate, lipid, protein, nucleic acid

Metabolism is All the enzyme catalysed reactions

Anabolism is building larger molecules from smaller

Catabolism is breaking large molecules into smaller

The most common **Elements** found in living things are:
Carbon, Hydrogen, Oxygen

Other elements & their functions are;

Sulfur - found in some amino acids

Calcium - Bones and teeth, nerve impulses and muscle

Iron - Part of Hemoglobin

Phosphorous Found in DNA RNA and phospholipids

Condensation reactions are Reactions which join two monomers resulting in the loss of a water molecule

Hydrolysis reactions are Reactions which separate two monomers, involving the addition of water.

- Properties of **Water**:
- cohesion
 - adhesion
 - excellent solvent
 - high specific heat capacity

- The importance of water for living things
- allows water to be pulled up xylem / phloem
 - water sticks to other things, capillary action
 - allows transport of many substances
 - water only changes temp slowly maintaining a stable environment for aquatic

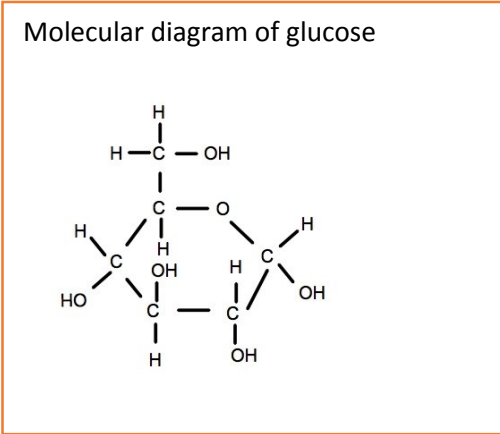


Diagram of ribose,

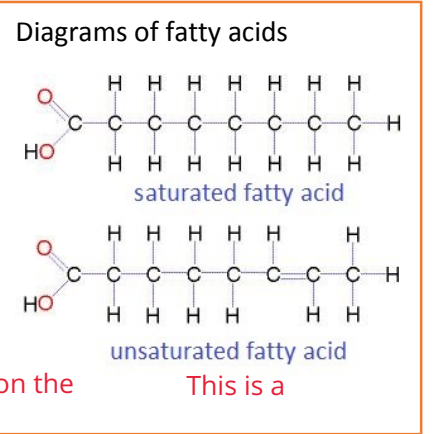
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Fatty acids can be saturated, which means they have no double bonds

or monounsaturated that means there is a single double bond

or polyunsaturated. there is more than one double bond

A cis isomer of a fatty acid is. Cis has both H molecule on the double bond on the same side



The effect of Temperature on enzyme reaction rates is Increases up to optimum (~40°C) then decreases rapidly

pH affects enzymes by changes in pH change the shape of the active site
The further the pH is from the optimum pH of the enzyme - the more the active site is distorted

and substrate concentration changes the rate of activity of enzymes because the more substrate there is the faster the reaction, until all the active sites are occupied

. How does the shape of an enzyme help its function? The active site binds to the enzyme's substrate, it makes enzymes specific

Examples of proteins: - a few details of each.

Insulin A hormone released into blood. binds to receptors in liver & lowers concentration of glucose

RuBISCO Enzyme which fixes CO₂ to RuBP during photosynthesis -

Spider silk Fibrous protein, long thin and strong

Rhodopsin A light sensitive pigment found in cells of the retina

Enzymes Globular proteins with active sites which bind to a substrate

A proteome is all of the proteins expressed

Use this diagram of a generalized amino acid to draw molecular diagrams of peptide bond formation.

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How many different amino acids are there? 20

Molecular model of Catalase enzyme & substrate

The Substrate = Hydrogen peroxide

The Active Site

Enzyme - catalase

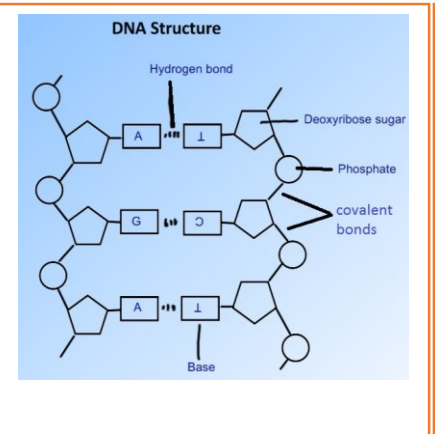
Advantages or immobilization of lactase in alginate beads are The enzyme can be easily separated from the milk and reused if it is immobilized

The similarities in structure between DNA and RNA are both have sugar phosphate backbone
both are made from nucleotides (base sugar phosphate)

Complementary base pairing is The fact that A (adenine) always pairs with T (thymine) and C (cytosine) always pairs with G (guanine)

Semi-conservative replication is the way a new strand of DNA is built on original strands. Half of the DNA in each strand is original

A codon is 3 bases on a mRNA Anticodons are 3 bases on a tRNA



DNA replication is controlled by these enzymes whose functions are:

- Helicase uncoils and unzips
- DNA polymerase builds a new DNA strand on the template

Transcription of DNA is the creation of a mRNA

Translation is the creation of a polypeptide

