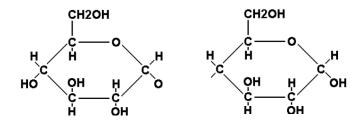
Macromolecules Concept Questions

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Carbohydrates

- 1. Explain the relationship between monomers and polymers, using polysaccharides as an example.
- 2. Why can't cellulose be used by humans as an energy source? Explain.
- 3. Why is fibre (i.e., cellulose) considered to be an important part of a healthy diet?
- 4. Name four examples of polysaccharides and state their primary function.
- 5. Two monomers are being linked together in the diagram below to form what new compound? Complete the bond that joins these two compounds together.



- b. What are the products of this reaction?
- c. What type of linkage connects these two compounds together?
- d. What is the name given to this type of reaction?

Lipids

- 6. a) How does the structure of an unsaturated fatty acid differ from the structure of a saturated fatty acid?
 - b) Give an example of a food that contains each.
- 7. Explain why some fatty acids are solid at room temperature while others are liquid.
- 8. a) When you consume more food than you need for energy, the excess is stored in the form of lipids. Why are lipids particularly useful for this purpose?
- 9. What property do all lipids share? How does this make them ideal for building cell membranes?
- 10. Saturated is to single bond as ______ is to double bond.
- 11. What functional groups are found in lipids, such as the one found to the right? Circle and identify each group.



- 12. What is the name of the bond indicated by the arrow in the lipid above?
- 13. What type of fatty acid is shown in the lipid above?
- 14. How would a polyunsaturated fatty acid differ?
- 15. How would a saturated fatty acid differ?
- 16. If the lipid above was a triglyceride, how many fatty acids would be linked to the glycerol?
- 17. If the lipid above was a phospholipid, how many fatty acids would be linked to the glycerol and what additional group(s) would be present in the molecule?
- 18. What type of reaction would occur to link each fatty acid to the glycerol?
- 19. List the different types of lipids and state each of their functions.
- 20. When a person goes on a diet, stored lipids begin to be digested. What happens chemically when the lipids are digested (broken down)? What is the name given to this process?

Proteins

- 21. Why can a protein be called a polypeptide but a polypeptide cannot be called a protein?
- 22. Explain how the 3-dimensional shape of proteins is formed.
- 23. Use a diagram to show how a peptide bond is formed between two amino acids.
- 24. Discuss some of the interactions that can occur between the R groups of an amino acid sequence.

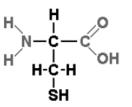
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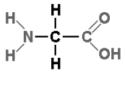
25. Some features of amino acids are common while others are not. Explain



- 26. How does having different R groups make amino acids ideal building blocks for proteins?
- 27. Why are some amino acids soluble in water while others are not?
- 28. Name three functions of proteins in a living organism.
- 29. Which elements are found in proteins but in neither carbohydrates nor lipids.
- 30. What type of compound is shown to the right?
- 31. What functional groups are present in both of the compounds found in question 30?

Circle and label all of the functional groups visible.





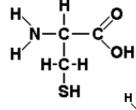
- 32. Describe what would have to occur to link the two compounds together. What substance is removed (produced)?
- 33. What is the name of the bond this is formed between these two compounds?

Nucleic Acids

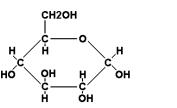
- 34. Which element is found in nucleic acids but in neither carbohydrates nor proteins?
- 37. You connect a molecule of ribose, a phosphate, and a molecule of cytosine. What have you made?
- 38. What does a nucleotide consist or?
- 32. What are the five nitrogenous bases found in nucleic acids?
- 33. Differentiate between DNA and RNA.
- 34. What type of bonds hold the sugar phosphate backbone of DNA & RNA together?
- 35. What type of bonds hold the nitrogenous bases of DNA together?
- 36. What is ATP?

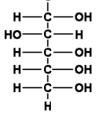
Macromolecules

- 37. Which organic compound(s)/macromolecules are the following functional groups associated with?
 - a. Phosphate
 - b. Carboxyl
 - c. Hydroxyl
- 38. How many functional groups can you identify in the compound to the right? Circle and identify each group.



- 38. What is the name of the compound in question 9?
- 39. What functional groups can you identify in the compound to the right? Circle and label them and then name the compound.
- 40. What kind of organic compound is show to the right? What functional groups can you identify? Circle and label one of them.





- 41. Which of these things is not like the others? Why not?
 - (a) fiber
- (b) sugar
- (c) starch
- (d) cellulose
- (e) fa
- 42. Name the basic building blocks for each of the following molecules:
 - a) Protein _____ (b) Triglyceride _____ (c) Carbohydrate ____ (d) Nucleic acids _____
- 43. Proteins are to amino acids as polysaccharides are to______.