

Carbohydrates

 The most basic units of carbohydrates, <u>simple carbohydrates</u> (sugars or monosaccharides) are used for the cell's immediate energy demands.

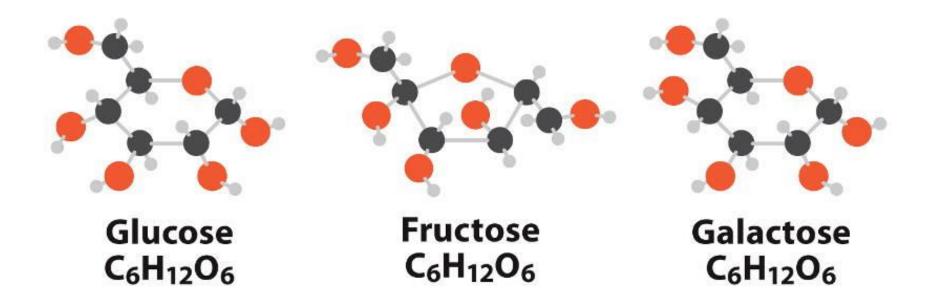


Hydrogen

Oxygen

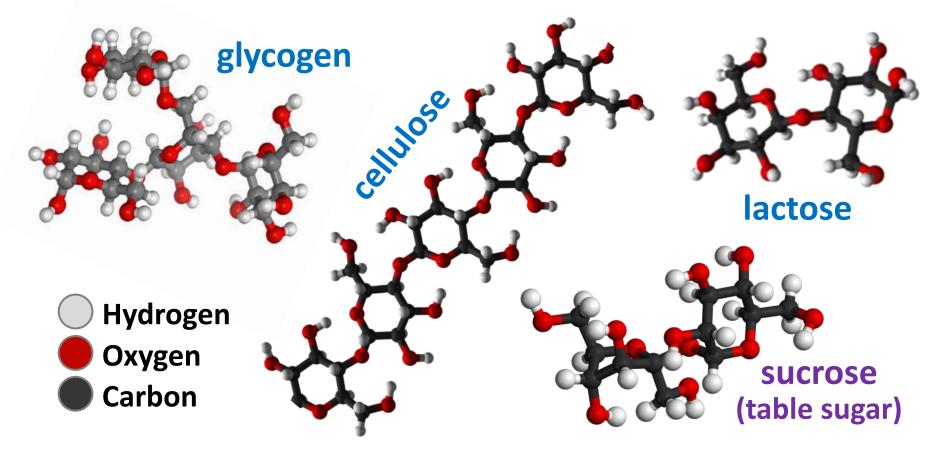
Carbon

SOME COMMON MONOSACCHARIDES



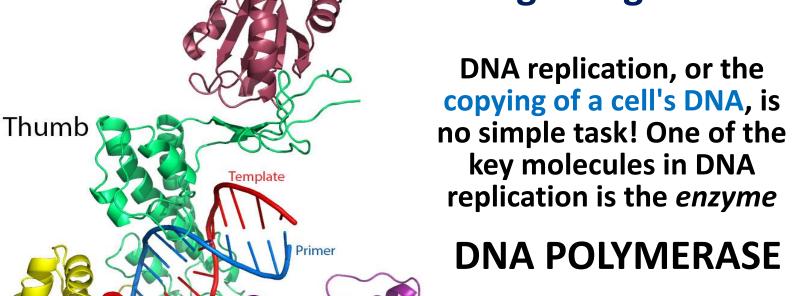
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• <u>Complex carbohydrates</u> (*polysaccharides*) can serve as intracellular energy stores (*starches* and *glycogen*) or have structural functions (*cellulose* and *chitin*); they are also found on a cell's surface, where they play a crucial role in cell recognition.



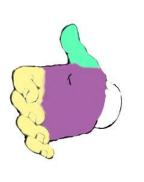
Some proteins <u>build</u> bigger molecules from

smaller blocks, like putting Legos together.



Palm

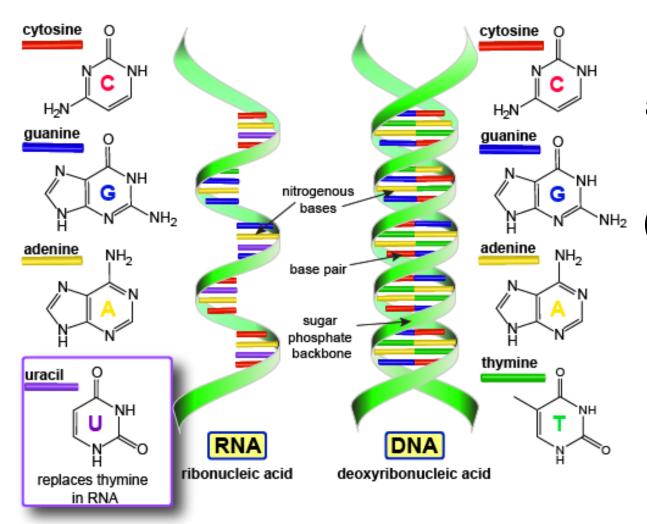
Fingers



which is responsible for synthesizing DNA by adding nucleotides one by one to the growing DNA chain.

Nucleic Acids: Hereditary Material

All cells <u>store information</u> required to build and maintain the cell (<u>genetic information</u>) and <u>constantly use it</u>.



Nucleic acids

are the molecules that

contain

(Deoxyribonucleic acid, DNA)

and

help express

(ribonucleic acid, RNA)

this information.