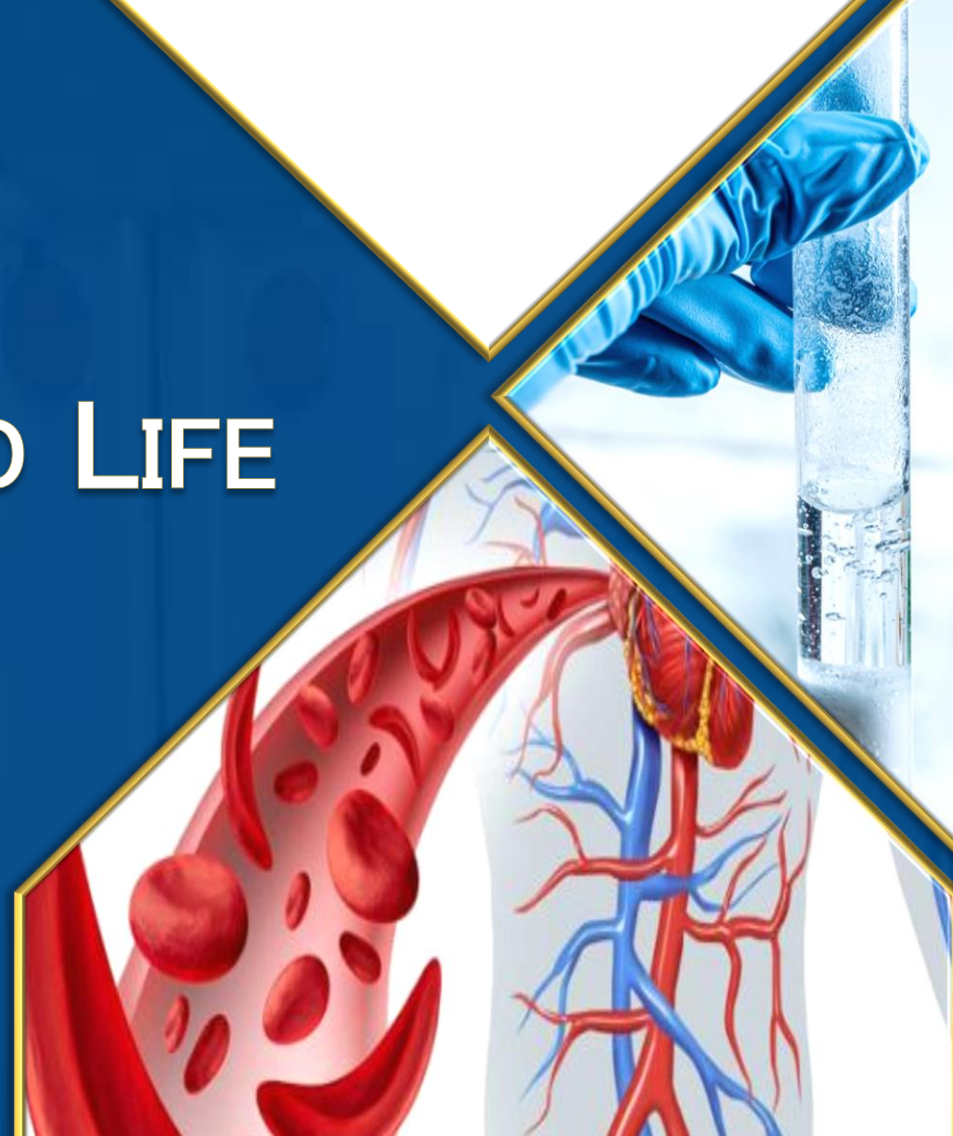


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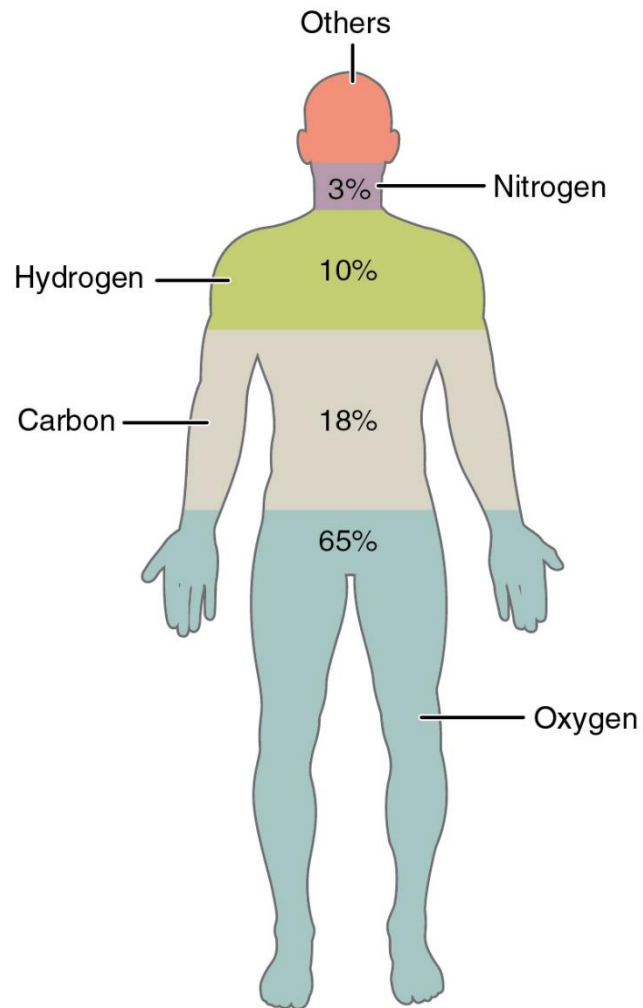
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- Defined as anything that has mass and occupies space
- Includes
  - Solids
    - Definite shape, definite volume
  - Liquids
    - Indefinite shape, definite volume
  - Gases
    - Indefinite shape, indefinite volume



- Simple form of matter, a substance that cannot be broken down into two or more different substances
  - There are 26 elements in the human body
  - There are 11 “major elements,”
    - Four of which (carbon, oxygen, hydrogen, and nitrogen) make up 96% of the human body
      - Hydrogen H (9.5 %)
      - Carbon C (18.5 %)
      - Oxygen O (65.0 %)
      - Nitrogen N (3.2 %)
  - There are 15 “trace elements” that make up less than 2% of body weight



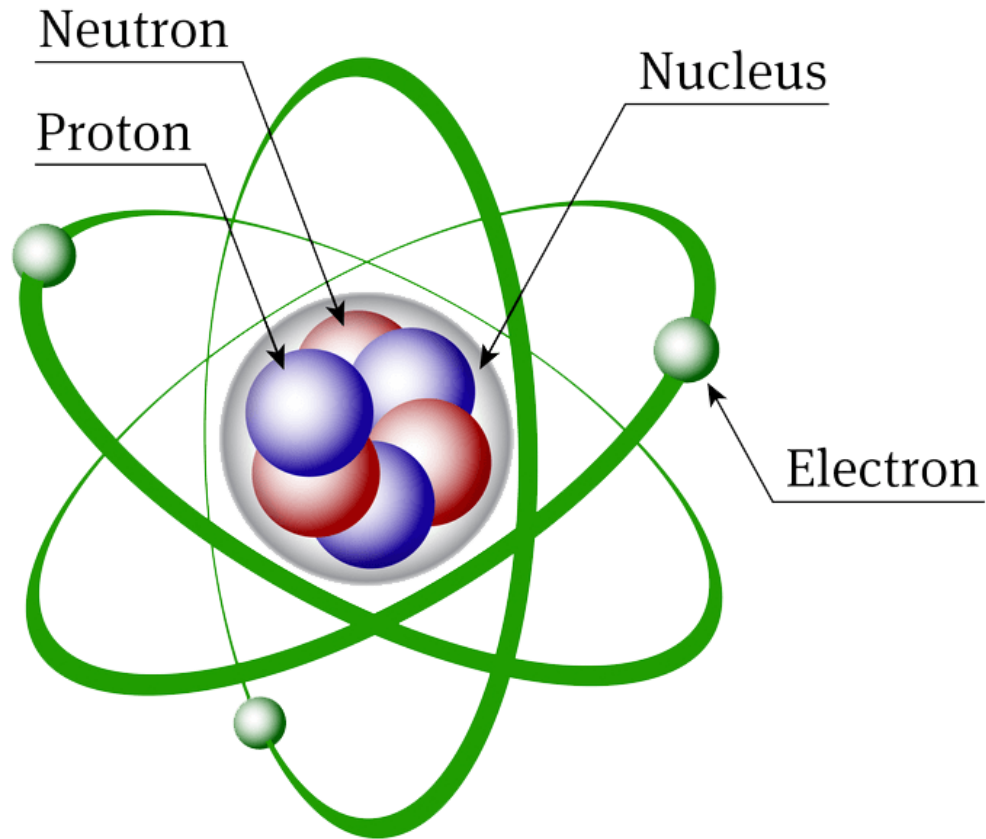
Element	Symbol	Percentage in Body
Oxygen	O	65.0
Carbon	C	18.5
Hydrogen	H	9.5
Nitrogen	N	3.2
Calcium	Ca	1.5
Phosphorus	P	1.0
Potassium	K	0.4
Sulfur	S	0.3
Sodium	Na	0.2
Chlorine	Cl	0.2
Magnesium	Mg	0.1
Trace elements include boron (B), chromium (Cr), cobalt (Co), copper (Cu), fluorine (F), iodine (I), iron (Fe), manganese (Mn), molybdenum (Mo), selenium (Se), silicon (Si), tin (Sn), vanadium (V), and zinc (Zn).		less than 1.0

## Periodic Table of the Elements

										Atomic Number										Boiling Point																			
										Symbol										Name										Atomic Mass									
1 IA 1A																		18 VIIIA 8A																					
1 -252.762																		2 -268.93																					
H Hydrogen 1.008																		He Helium 4.003																					
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11 882.940	12 1090															13 2519	14 3265	15 white 280.5	16 444.61	17 -101.5	18 -185.847																		
Na Sodium 22.990	Mg Magnesium 24.305															Al Aluminum 26.982	Si Silicon 28.086	P Phosphorus 30.974	S Sulfur 32.066	Cl Chlorine 35.453	Ar Argon 39.948																		
19 759	20 1484	21 2836	22 3287	23 3407	24 2671	25 2061	26 2861	27 2927	28 2913	29 2562	30 907	31 2204	32 2833	33 616 SP	34 685	35 58.8	36 -153.34																						
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37 688	38 1382	39 3345	40 4409	41 4744	42 4639	43 4265	44 4150	45 3695	46 2963	47 2162	48 767	49 2072	50 2602	51 1587	52 988	53 184.4	54 -108.09																						
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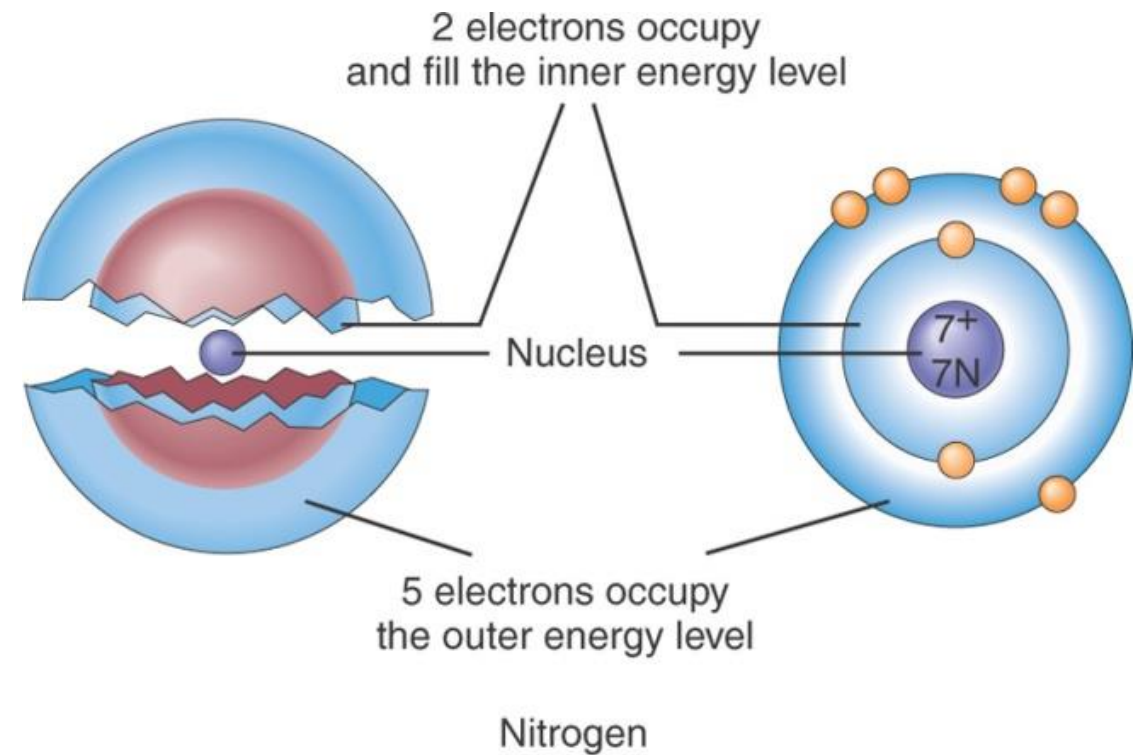
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Actinide Series	89 3198	90 4788	91 4027	92 4131	93 4174	94 3228	95 2011	96 3100	97 2627	98 unknown	99 unknown	100 unknown	101 unknown	102 unknown	103 unknown
	Ac Actinium 227.028	Th Thorium 232.038	Pa Protactinium 231.036	U Uranium 238.029	Np Neptunium 237.048	Pu Plutonium 244.064	Am Americium 243.061	Cm Curium 247.070	Bk Berkelium 247.070	Cf Californium 251.080	Es Einsteinium [254]	Fm Fermium 257.095	Md Mendelevium 258.1	No Nobelium 259.101	Lr Lawrencium [262]

- Alkali Metal
- Alkaline Earth
- Transition Metal
- Basic Metal
- Semimetal
- Nonmetal
- Halogen
- Noble Gas
- Lanthanide
- Actinide



- Smallest particle of an element that maintains the properties of the element
- Contain several different kinds of subatomic particles; the most important are the following:
  - Protons (+ or p) – found in nucleus
  - Neutrons (n) – found in nucleus
  - Electrons (- or e) – found in electron cloud

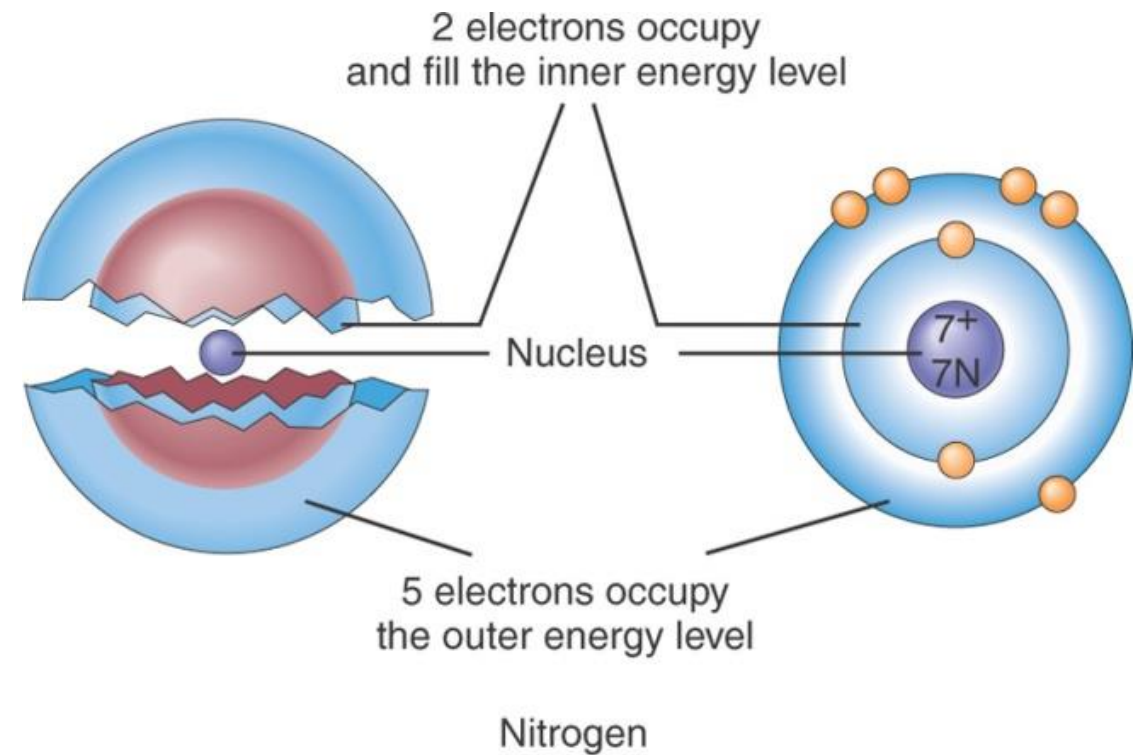
- Energy levels
  - The total number of electrons in an atom equals the number of protons in the nucleus (in a stable atom)
  - The electrons form a “cloud” around the nucleus

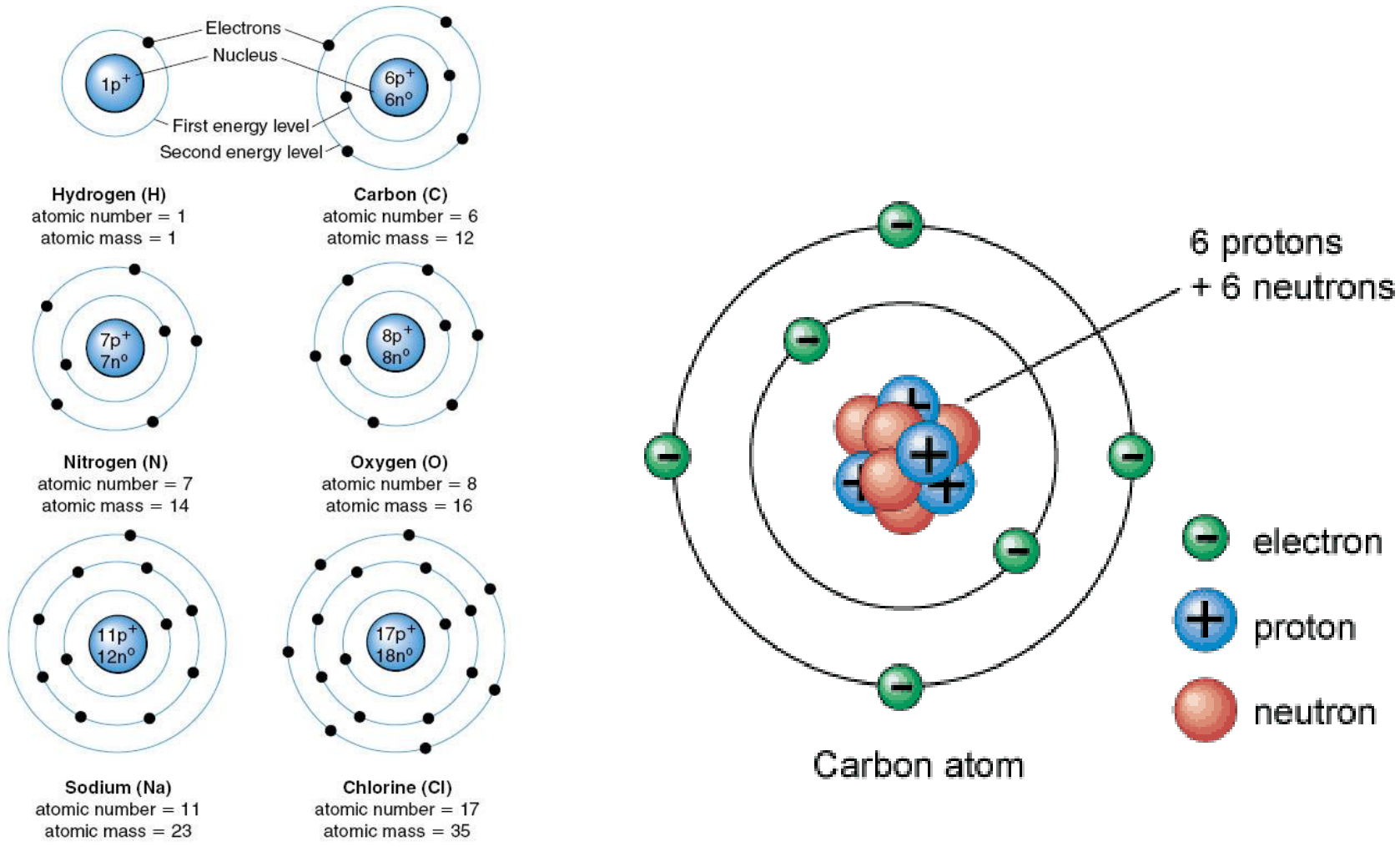


- Energy levels
  - “Bohr model” —a model resembling planets revolving around the sun, useful in visualizing the structure of atoms
  - Exhibits electrons in concentric circles showing relative distances of the electrons from the nucleus
  - Each ring or shell represents a specific energy level and can hold only a certain number of electrons
  - The number and arrangement of electrons determine if an atom is chemically stable
  - An atom with eight, or four pairs of, electrons in the outermost energy level is chemically inert
  - An atom without a full outermost energy level is chemically active



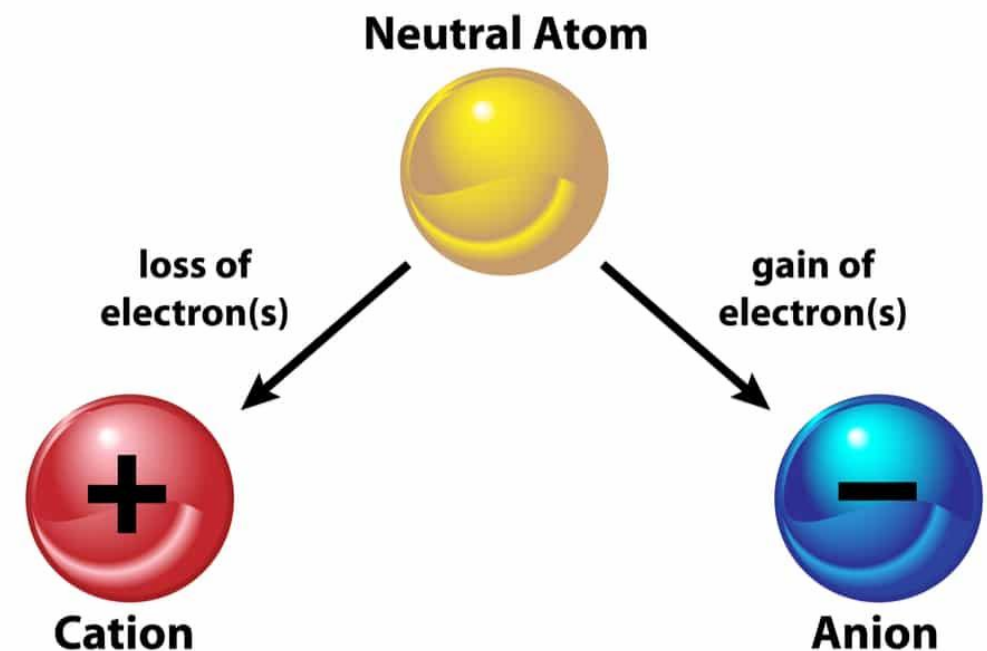
- Energy levels
  - Octet rule
    - Atoms with fewer or more than eight electrons in the outer energy level will attempt to lose, gain, or share electrons with other atoms to achieve stability



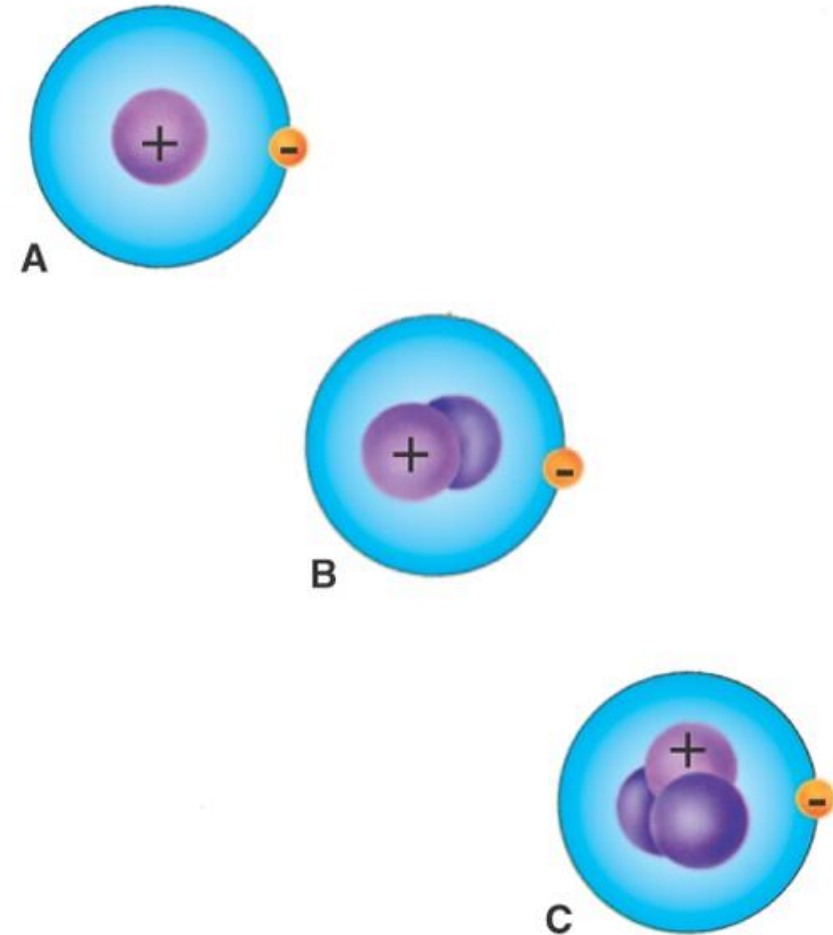


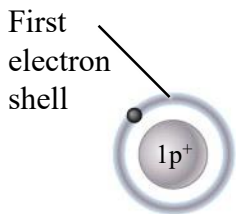
**Figure 2-2** Diagrams of the atomic structure of some biologically important elements—hydrogen, carbon, nitrogen, oxygen, sodium, and chlorine.

- Ions are atoms or molecules in which the total number of electrons is not equal to the number of protons
  - If an atom loses one or more electrons it has a net positive charge (Cation)
  - If an atom gains electrons then it has a net negative charge (Anion)

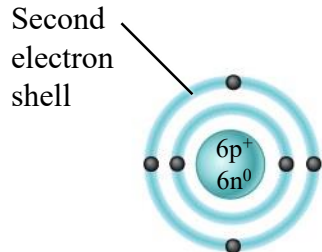


- Isotopes of an element contain the same number of protons but contain different numbers of neutrons
- Isotopes have the same atomic number, and therefore the same basic chemical properties, as any other atom of the same element, but they have a different atomic weight
- Radioactive isotope—an unstable isotope that undergoes nuclear breakdown and emits nuclear particles and radiation

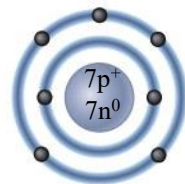




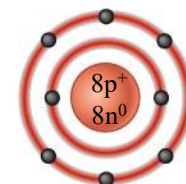
**Hydrogen (H)**  
 Atomic number = 1  
 Mass number = **1 or 2**  
 Atomic mass = 1.01



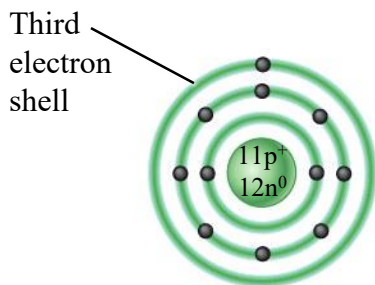
**Carbon (C)**  
 Atomic number = 6  
 Mass number = **12 or 13**  
 Atomic mass = 12.01



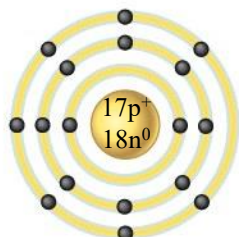
**Nitrogen (N)**  
 Atomic number = 7  
 Mass number = **14 or 15**  
 Atomic mass = 14.01



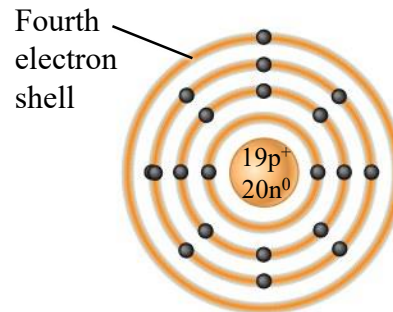
**Oxygen (O)**  
 Atomic number = 8  
 Mass number = **16, 17, or 18**  
 Atomic mass = 16.00



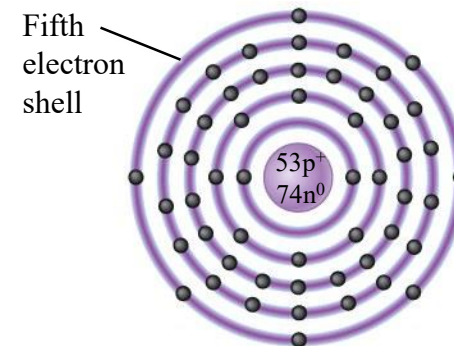
**Sodium (Na)**  
 Atomic number = 11  
 Mass number = **23**  
 Atomic mass = 22.99



**Chlorine (Cl)**  
 Atomic number = 17  
 Mass number = **35 or 37**  
 Atomic mass = 35.45



**Potassium (K)**  
 Atomic number = 19  
 Mass number = **39, 40, or 41**  
 Atomic mass = 39.10



**Iodine (I)**  
 Atomic number = 53  
 Mass number = **127**  
 Atomic mass = 126.90

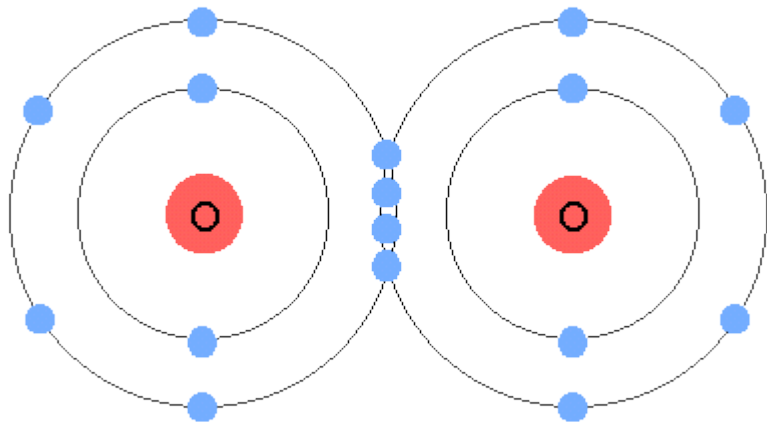
Atomic number = number of protons in an atom

Mass number = number of protons and neutrons in an atom (boldface indicates most common isotope)

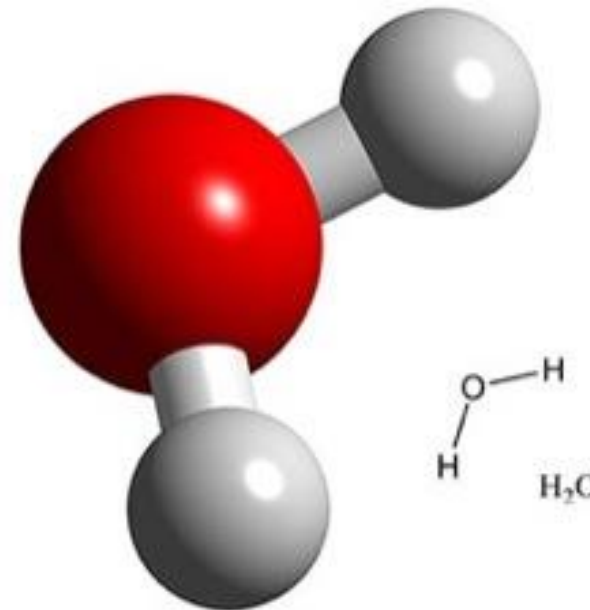
Atomic mass = average mass of all stable atoms of a given element in daltons

- Attractions between atoms
  - Chemical reaction
    - Interaction between two or more atoms that occurs as a result of activity between electrons in their outermost energy levels

- Smallest unit of a compound
- A combination of two or more of the same atoms through chemical bonding
- 2 elements of oxygen bond to form an oxygen molecule ( $O_2$ )



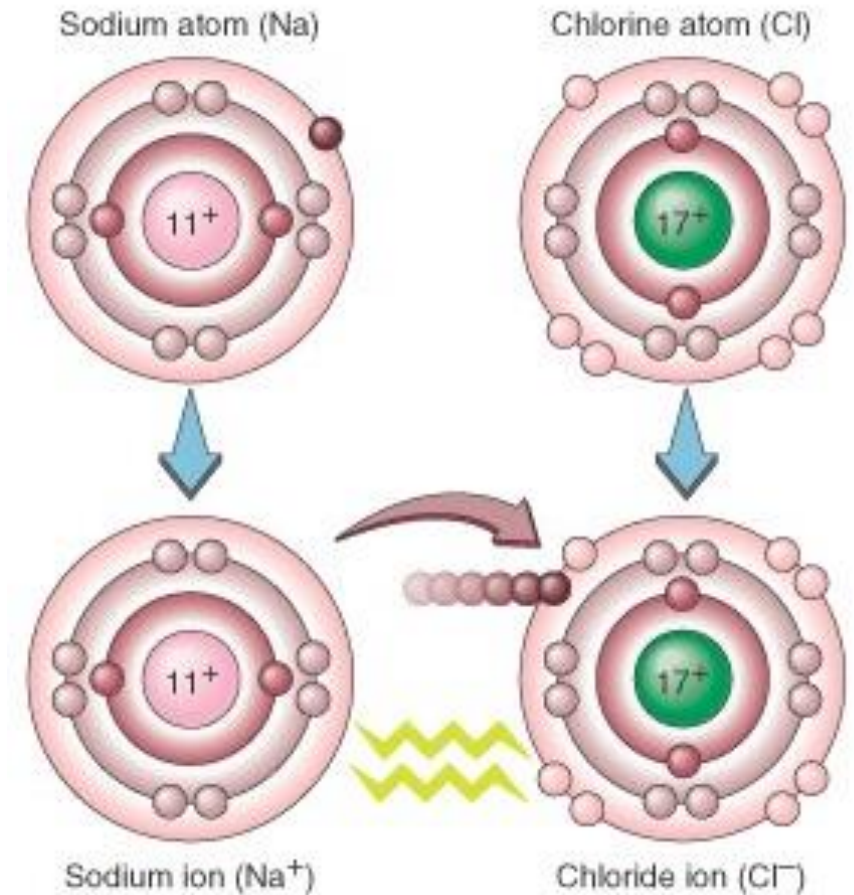
- Atoms of at least two different elements joined to form chemical combinations
- Combine in a fixed ratio to form a new substance
  - NaCl
  - H<sub>2</sub>O
  - C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>12</sub>O<sub>6</sub>

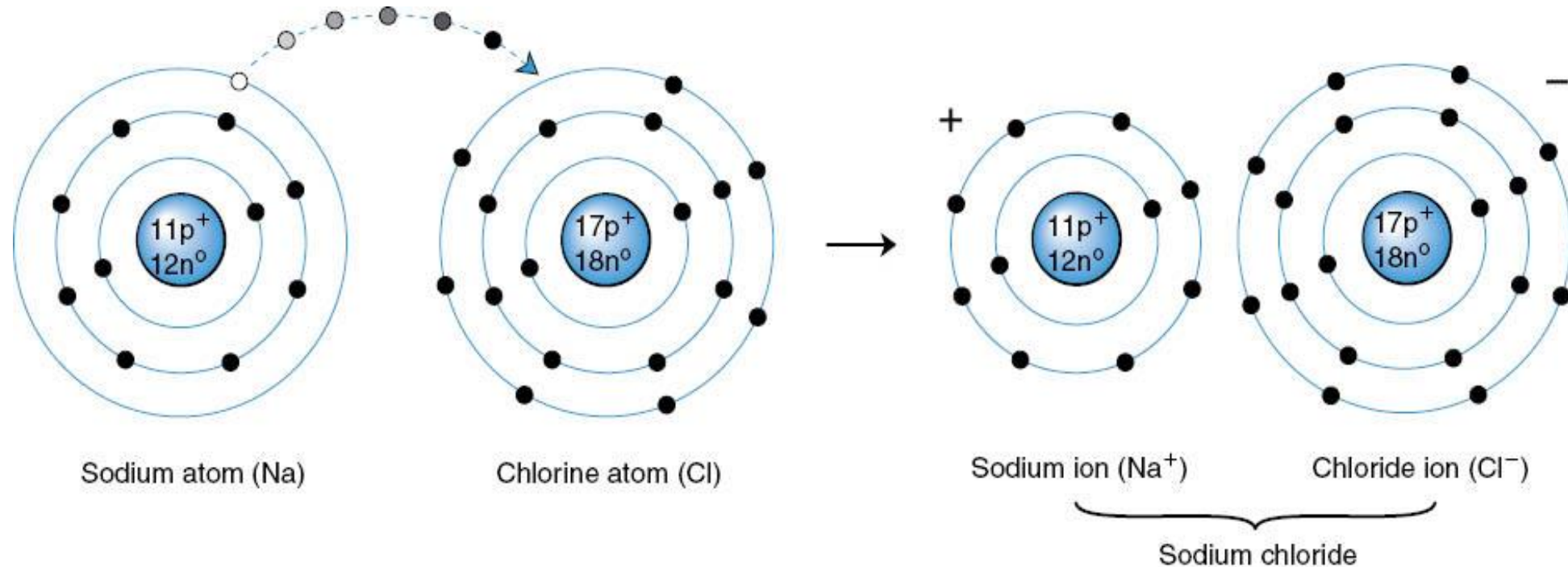




- Chemical bonds are forces that hold atoms together
- Determined largely by the Electrons
- Atoms have a tendency to share electrons to maintain a stable configuration
- 3 Types
  - Ionic
  - Covalent
  - Hydrogen

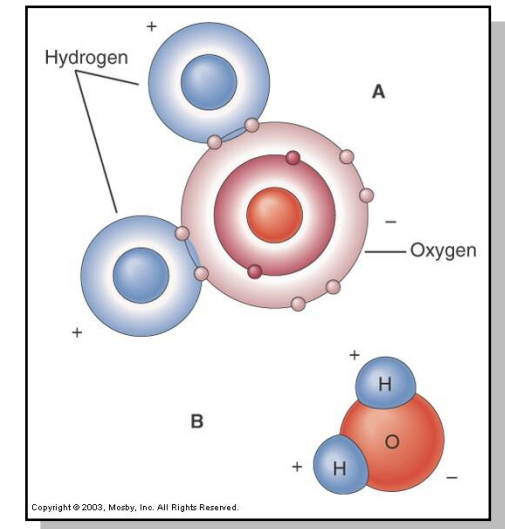
- Ionic, or electrovalent, bond
  - Formed by transfer of electrons; strong electrostatic force that binds positively and negatively charged ions together
- Changed particles that result are called ions
  - Positively charged (Cation)
  - Negatively charged (Anion)

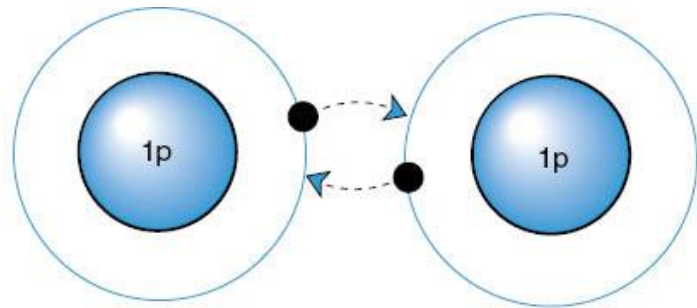




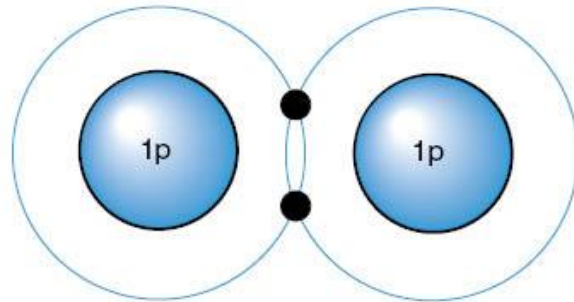
**Figure 2-4** *Formation of ionic bonds. An electron is transferred from the outer shell of the sodium atom to the outer shell of the chlorine atom. This transfer results in a positively charged sodium ion and a negatively charged chloride ion. The opposite charges attract to form the ionic bond of sodium chloride.*

- Formed when 2 atoms share a pair of electrons
  - Single covalent
  - Double covalent
- Non-polar Covalent Bond
  - Electrons shared equally between the two atoms
- Polar Covalent Bond
  - Electrons spend more time around one end of the atom than the other ( $\text{H}_2\text{O}$ )
  - Stronger than Ionic bonds





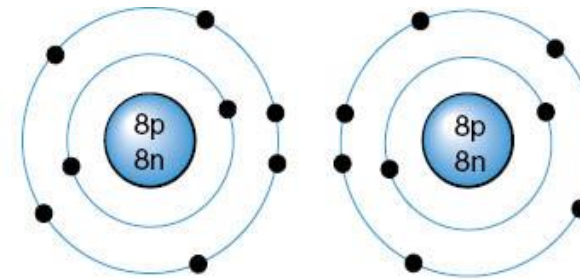
Two hydrogen atoms each with one proton in the nucleus and one electron in the energy shell



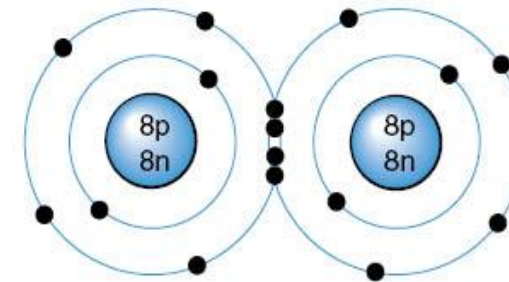
A molecule of hydrogen gas, H-H ( $H_2$ )  
 The two hydrogen atoms share an electron pair to form a single covalent bond

**Figure 2-5** *Single covalent bond in hydrogen gas.*

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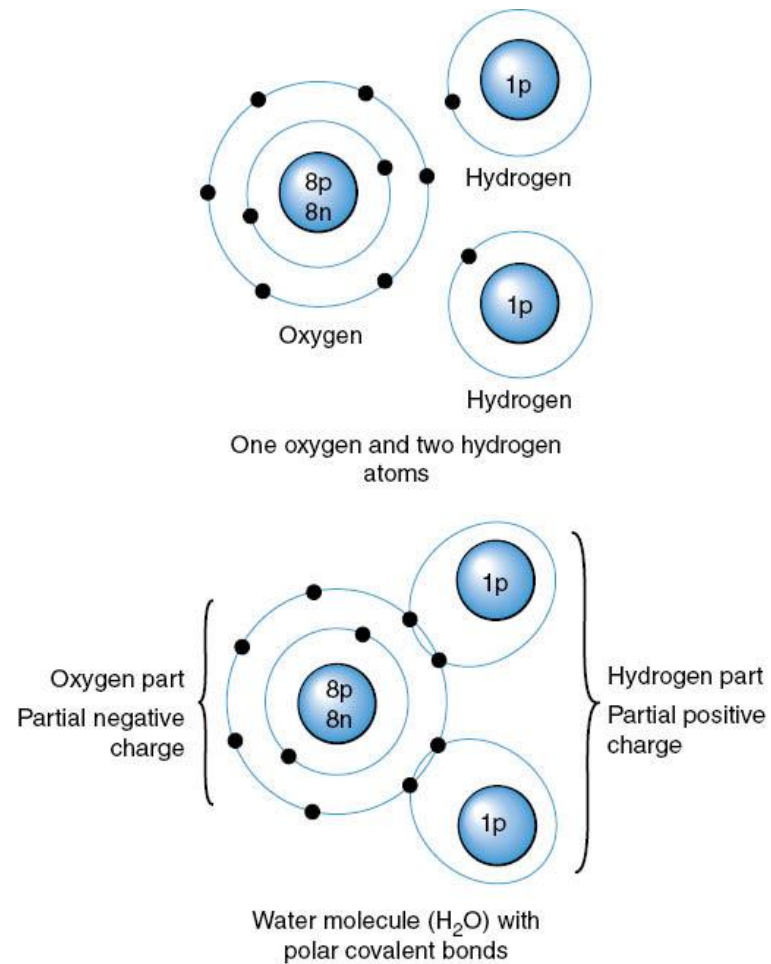
Two atoms of oxygen, each with eight protons and eight neutrons in the nucleus and six electrons in the outer energy level.



A molecule of oxygen gas.  
 Each oxygen atom shares two electrons to form a double covalent bond.

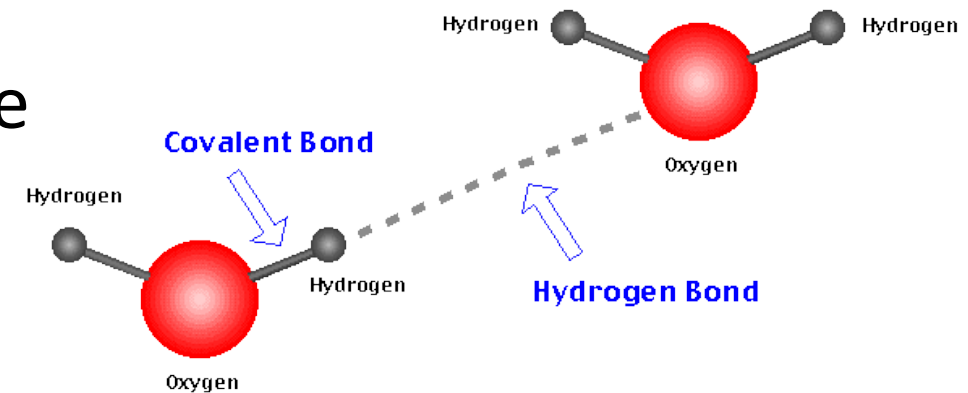
**Figure 2-7** *Double covalent bond in oxygen gas.*

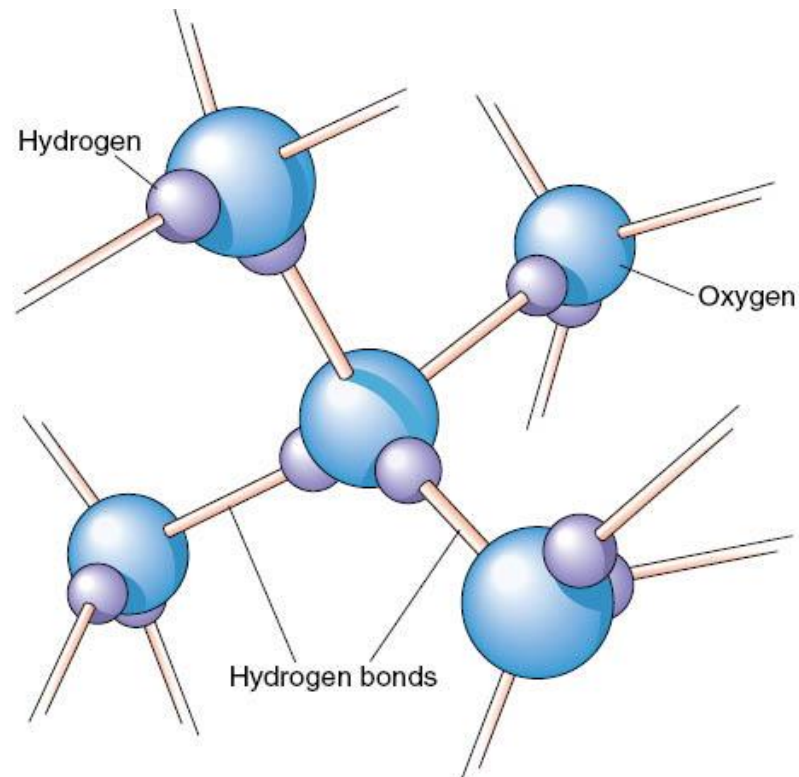
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**Figure 2-10** Polar covalent bonds between oxygen and hydrogen.

- Where ionic and covalent bonds hold atoms to atom to form a molecule, hydrogen bonds hold molecule to molecule
- Result from the weak electrical attraction between the positive end of one molecule and the negative end of another.
- Individually these bonds are very weak, although large quantities of Hydrogen bonds are strong enough to hold molecules together or in a three-dimensional shape.





**Figure 2-11** *Intermolecular hydrogen bonds in water. The electropositive hydrogen end of a water molecule has a weak attraction for the electronegative oxygen end of other water molecules to form hydrogen bonds.*



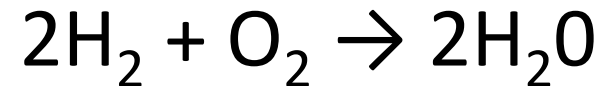
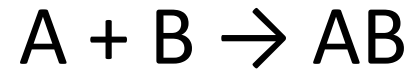
- Molecular Formula
  - Short hand way to write the compound
  - $C_6H_{12}O_6$
- Structural Formula
  - Represents how atoms are arranged and joined together
  - H-O-H

- Abbreviated method of showing the compounds involved in the reaction and the resulting compounds

Reactants → Products

- Chemical reactions
  - Involve the formation or breaking of chemical bonds
  - There are three basic types of chemical reactions involved in physiology:
    - Synthesis reaction
    - Decomposition reaction
    - Exchange reaction

- Synthesis



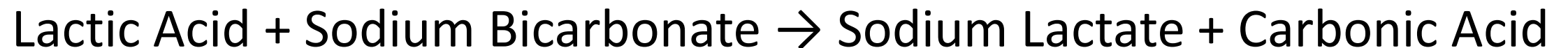
- Decomposition



- Exchange Reactions
  - Single Replacement

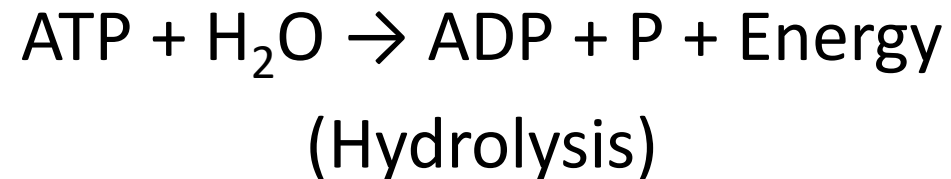


- Double Replacement



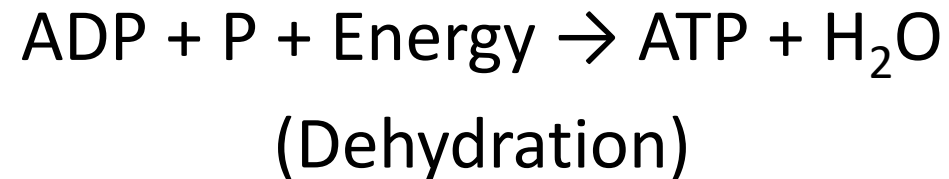
- Exergonic Reactions

- More energy is stored in reactants than in the products
- Therefore energy is released



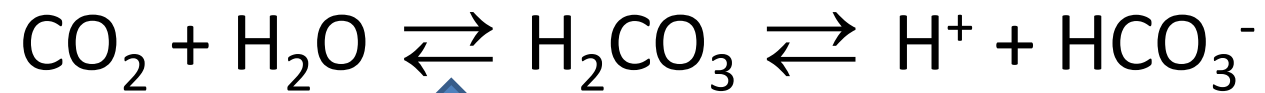
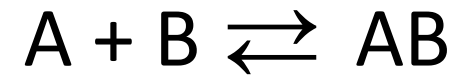
- Endergonic Reactions


- More energy is stored in products than in the reactants
- Therefore energy is required



- Lipid, carbohydrate and protein molecules are synthesized this way

- Many reactions are able to react in either direction



Carbonic Anhydrase 





- All reactions occur at different rates
- Items that affect the reaction rate:
  - Temperature
  - Pressure
  - Concentration
  - Surface area
  - Catalyst

## Temperature

- Too hot → fast reactions

## Pressure

- Higher pressure → faster reactions

## Concentration

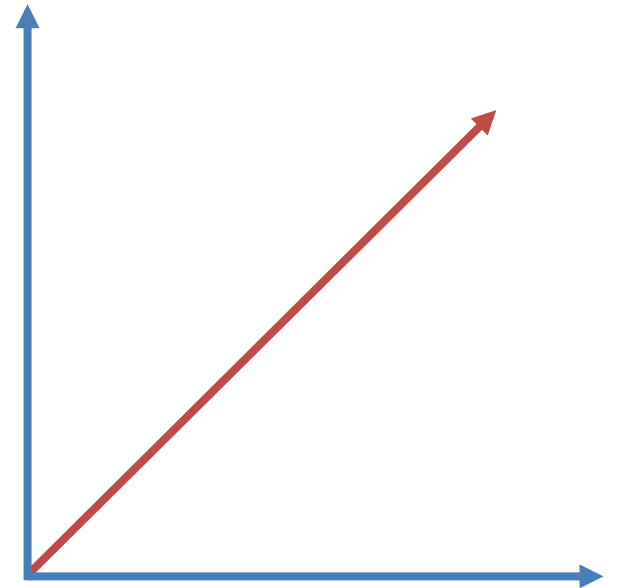
- Higher the concentration → faster reactions

## Surface area

- Greater the surface area → faster reactions

## Catalyst

- Substance that changes the reaction rate without being changed itself (Enzymes)

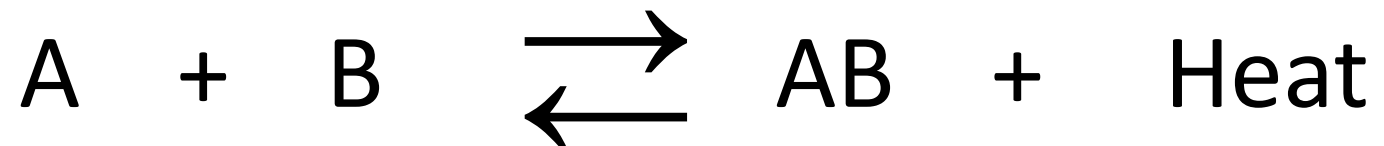


- A principle to predict the result that occurs following changes made to a reaction already at equilibrium
- Reactions want to return to equilibrium, therefore when a change occurs, the reaction shifts to return to equilibrium

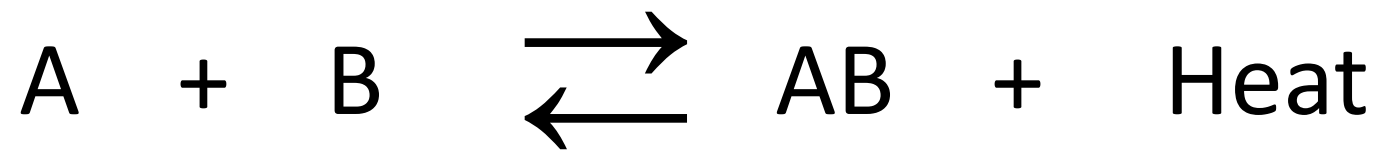
- An increase in concentration of the reactants (A or B) will cause a “shift” to the right and more product (AB) to form

OR

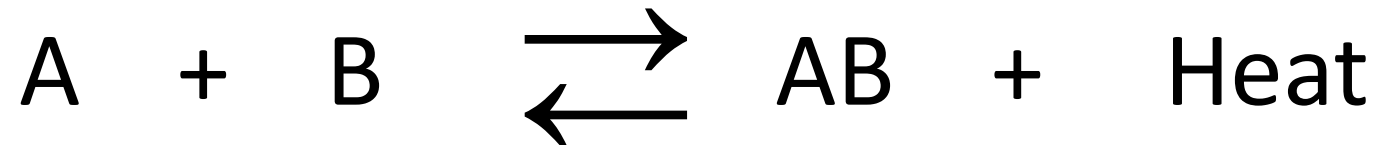
- An increase in concentration of the product (AB) will cause a “shift” to the left and more reactants (A and B) to form



- As well, since Heat is a product, if we increase the temperature, we are adding more product (Heat) so the reaction “shifts” to the left and produces more reactants (A & B)

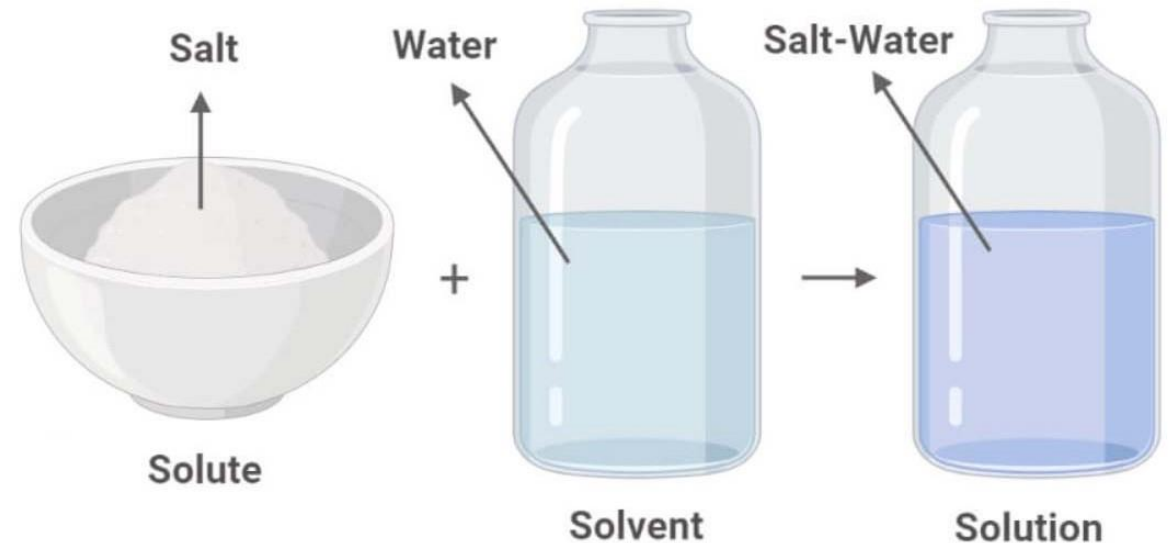


- The same is true if we remove reactants or products
- Ex: by removing product AB, equilibrium will “shift” to form more product to fill void and return to equilibrium



# Mixtures, Solutions and Suspensions

- Solute
  - The substance that dissolves to form a solution
- Solvent
  - The substance in which a solute dissolves
- Solution
  - Solute dissolved in a solvent



- Mixture
  - Consists of 2 or more substances that can be physically separated (sugar and water)
- Suspensions
  - Particles settle if left undisturbed (sand and water)

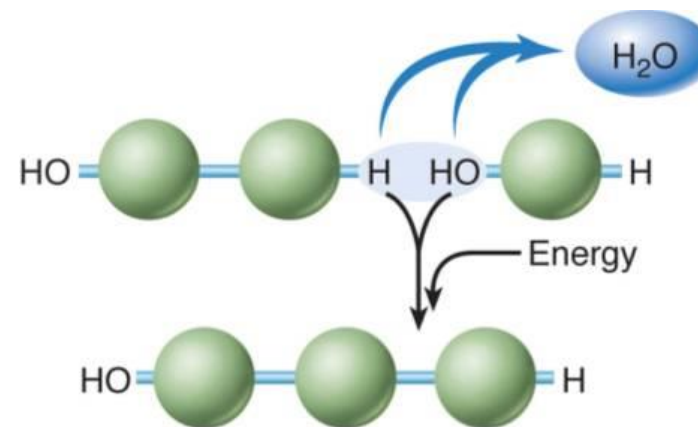


- Colloidal Suspension
  - Particles so small they do not dissolve
  - Cytoplasm in the cell is an example
- Tincture
  - When the solute is dissolved in a solvent of alcohol

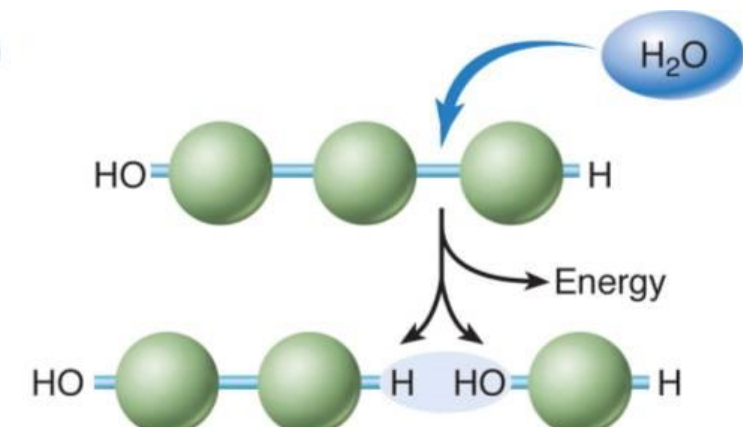
- Describes all chemical reactions that occur in the body cells.

- Catabolism

- Break down complex compounds into simpler ones
- Releases energy
- Hydrolysis
- End products are  $\text{CO}_2$ ,  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$  and other waste
- More than half the energy release is transferred to ATP

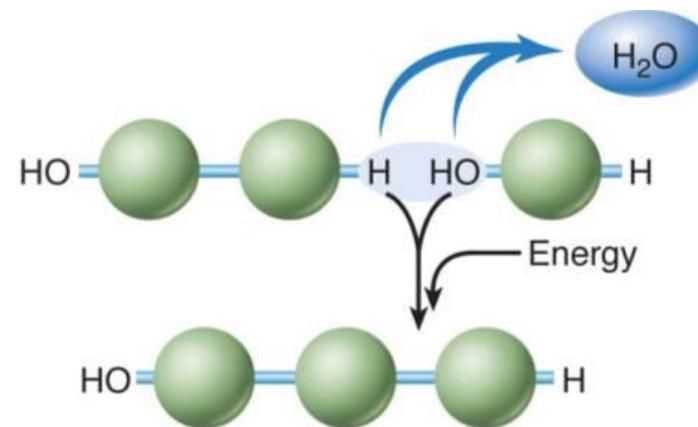


(a) Dehydration synthesis

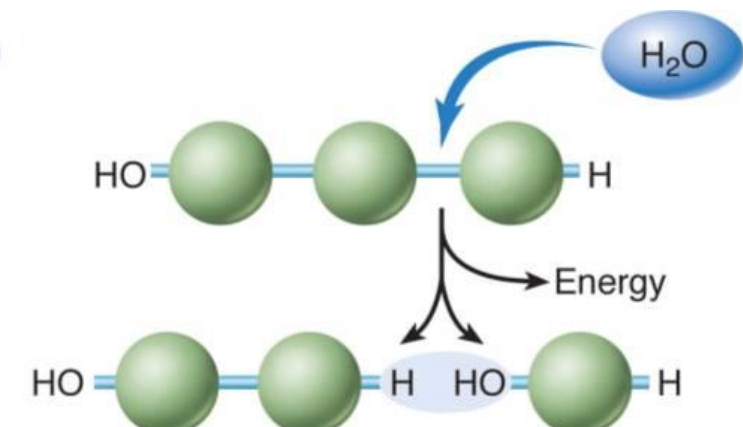


(b) Hydrolysis

- Describes all chemical reactions that occur in the body cells.
  - Anabolism
    - Joins simple molecules to form more complex biomolecules (carbs, lipids, proteins and nucleic acids)
    - Requires energy
    - Dehydration synthesis



(a) Dehydration synthesis



(b) Hydrolysis

- Inorganic compounds—few have carbon atoms and none have C–C or C–H bonds
- Organic molecules
  - Have at least one carbon atom and at least one C–C or C–H bond in each molecule
  - Often have functional groups attached to the carbon-containing core of the molecule

- Water
  - The body's most abundant and important compound
  - Properties of water
    - Polarity allows water to act as an effective solvent; ionizes substances in solution
    - The solvent allows transportation of essential materials throughout the body

- Properties of water
  - High specific heat
    - Water can lose and gain large amounts of heat with little change in its own temperature; enables the body to maintain a relatively constant temperature
  - High heat of vaporization
    - Water requires absorption of significant amounts of heat to change water from a liquid to a gas, allowing the body to dissipate excess heat

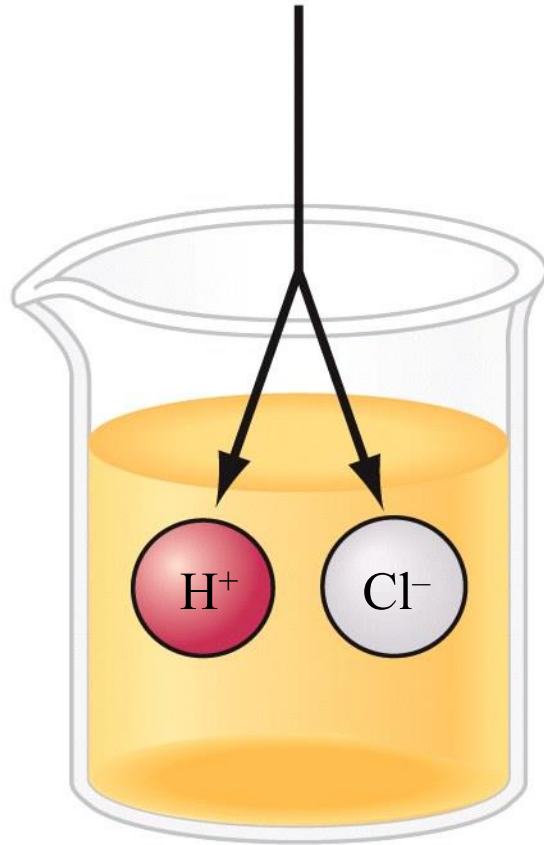
- Oxygen and carbon dioxide
  - Closely related to cellular respiration
    - Oxygen
      - Required to complete decomposition reactions necessary for the release of energy in the body
    - Carbon dioxide
      - Produced as a waste product, also helps maintain the appropriate acid-base balance in the body

- **Electrolytes**
  - Large group of inorganic compounds, which includes acids, bases, and salts
  - Substances that dissociate in solution to form ions
  - Positively charged ions are cations; negatively charged ions are anions



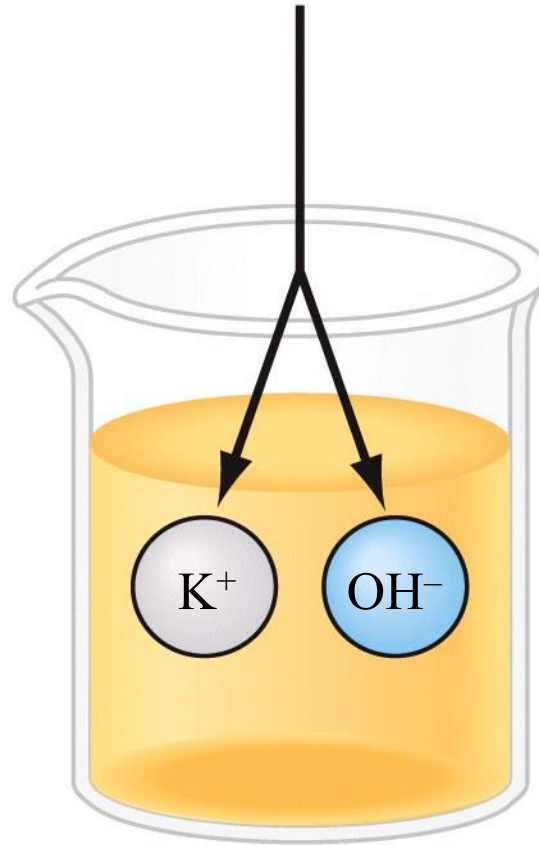
- Electrolytes (cont.)
  - Acids and bases
    - Common and important chemical substances that are chemical opposites
    - Acids
      - Any substance that releases a hydrogen ion ( $H^+$ ) when in solution; “proton donor”
      - Level of “acidity” depends on the number of hydrogen ions a particular acid will release
    - Bases
      - Electrolytes that dissociate to yield hydroxide ions ( $OH^-$ ) or other electrolytes that combine with hydrogen ions ( $H^+$ )
      - Described as “proton acceptors”

HCl



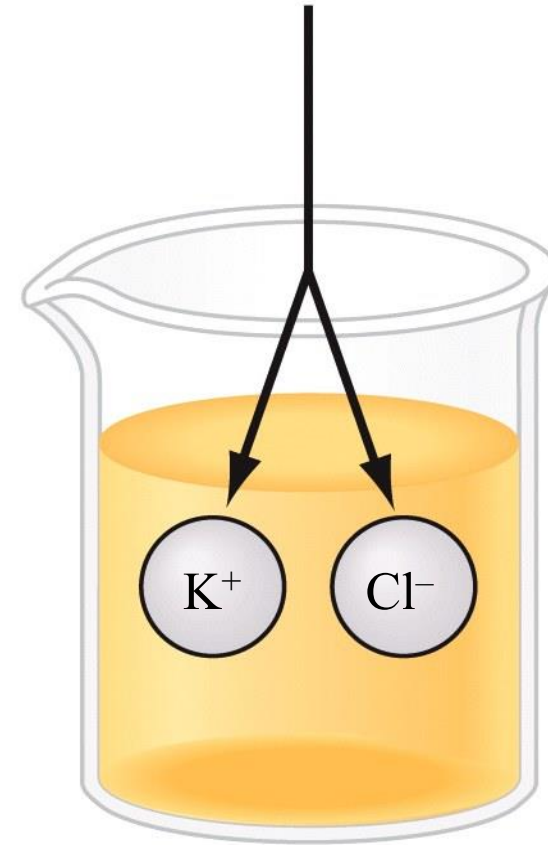
(a) Acid

KOH



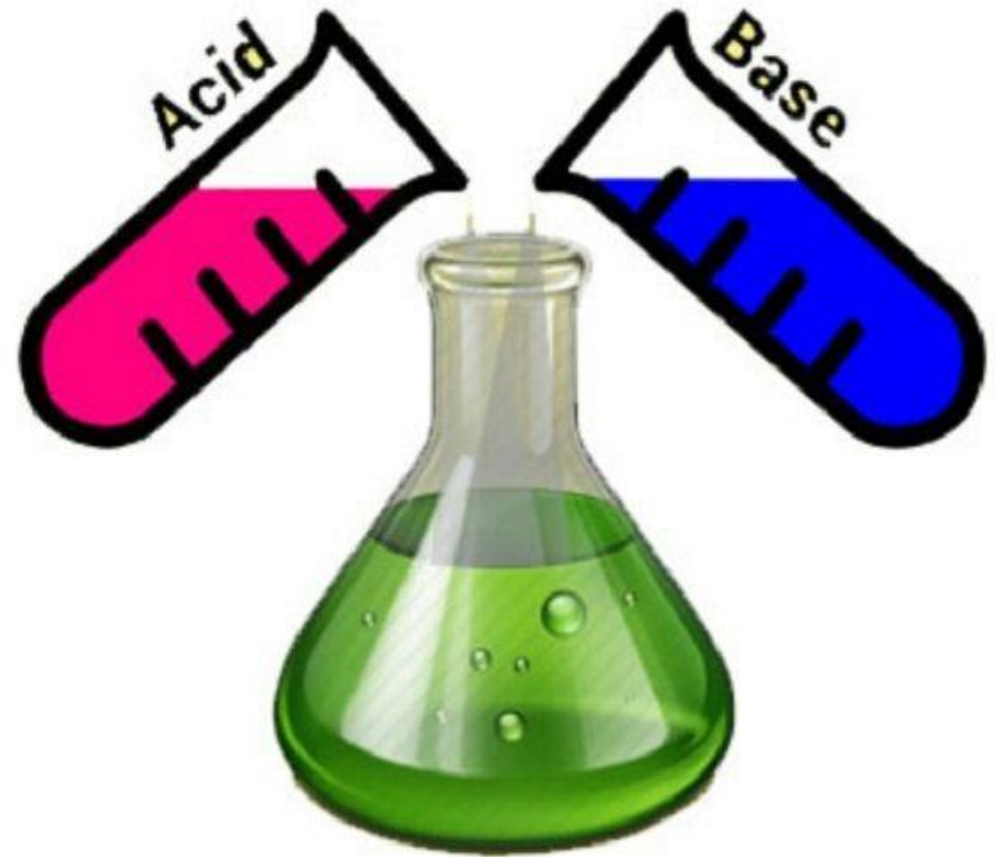
(b) Base

KCl



(c) Salt

Base + Acid = Salt + Water  
 $\text{HCl} + \text{NaOH} \rightarrow \text{NaCl} + \text{H}_2\text{O}$   
(Neutralizing Reaction)



**Salt + Water**



**Neutral**

**7.35 – 7.45**  
**(Human body)**



**Acid**

↑ H<sup>+</sup>  
↓pH = Acidemia  
(low blood pH)

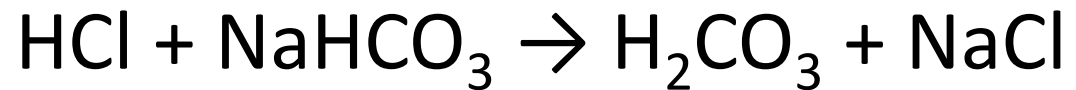
**Alkaline**

↓ H<sup>+</sup>  
↑pH = Alkalemia  
(high blood pH)

(6.7 to 7.9 compatible with life)

- Buffer
  - Resists change to pH when either an acid or a base is added
  - Act as a 'Reservoir' for H<sup>+</sup> ions and donate or accept H<sup>+</sup> ions to maintain a constant pH

**Acid**



**Base**



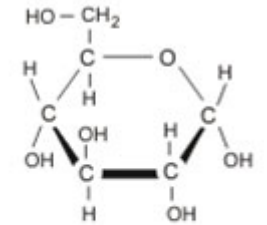
- Salts
  - Compounds that result from chemical interaction of an acid and a base
  - Reaction between an acid and a base to form a salt and water is called a neutralization reaction

- Originally referred to compounds formed by a living process
- Contain C–C or C–H bonds
  - Carbohydrates
  - Monosaccharides
  - Disaccharides
  - Polysaccharides

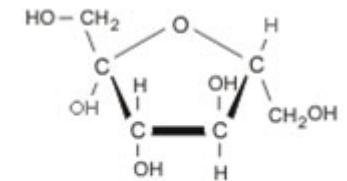
- Molecules composed of C, H and O in a set ratio of 1:2:1
- Commonly call Sugars and Starches
- Range from small to very large
- Functions
  - Important energy source in the body
  - Contribute to the structure of some cellular components
  - Form a reserve supply of stored energy



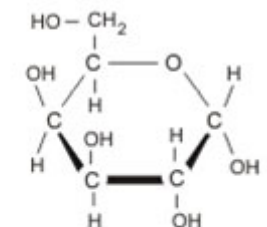
- Monosaccharides (simple sugars)
  - Simplest form of carbohydrates
  - Glucose
    - Is most important type ( $C_6H_{12}O_6$ )
  - Fructose and Galactose
    - Have same molecular formula but are arranged differently
    - When ingested they are converted into glucose in the liver



**Glucose**  
 $C_6H_{12}O_6$



**Fructose**  
 $C_6H_{12}O_6$

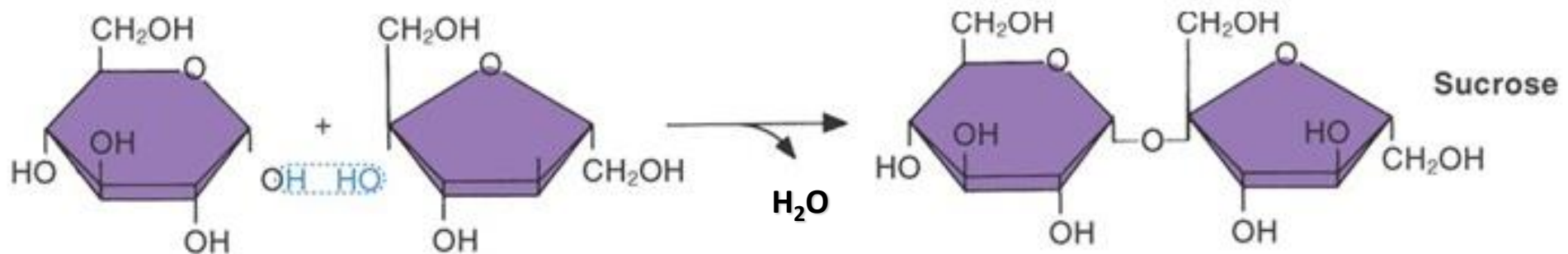


**Galactose**  
 $C_6H_{12}O_6$

- Disaccharides

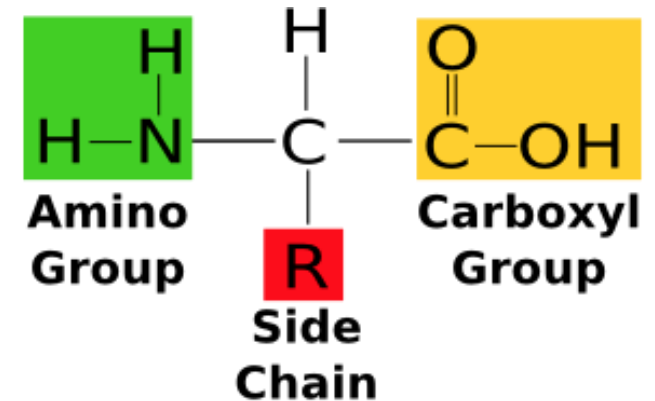
- Formed when two monosaccharide's are linked by dehydration synthesis

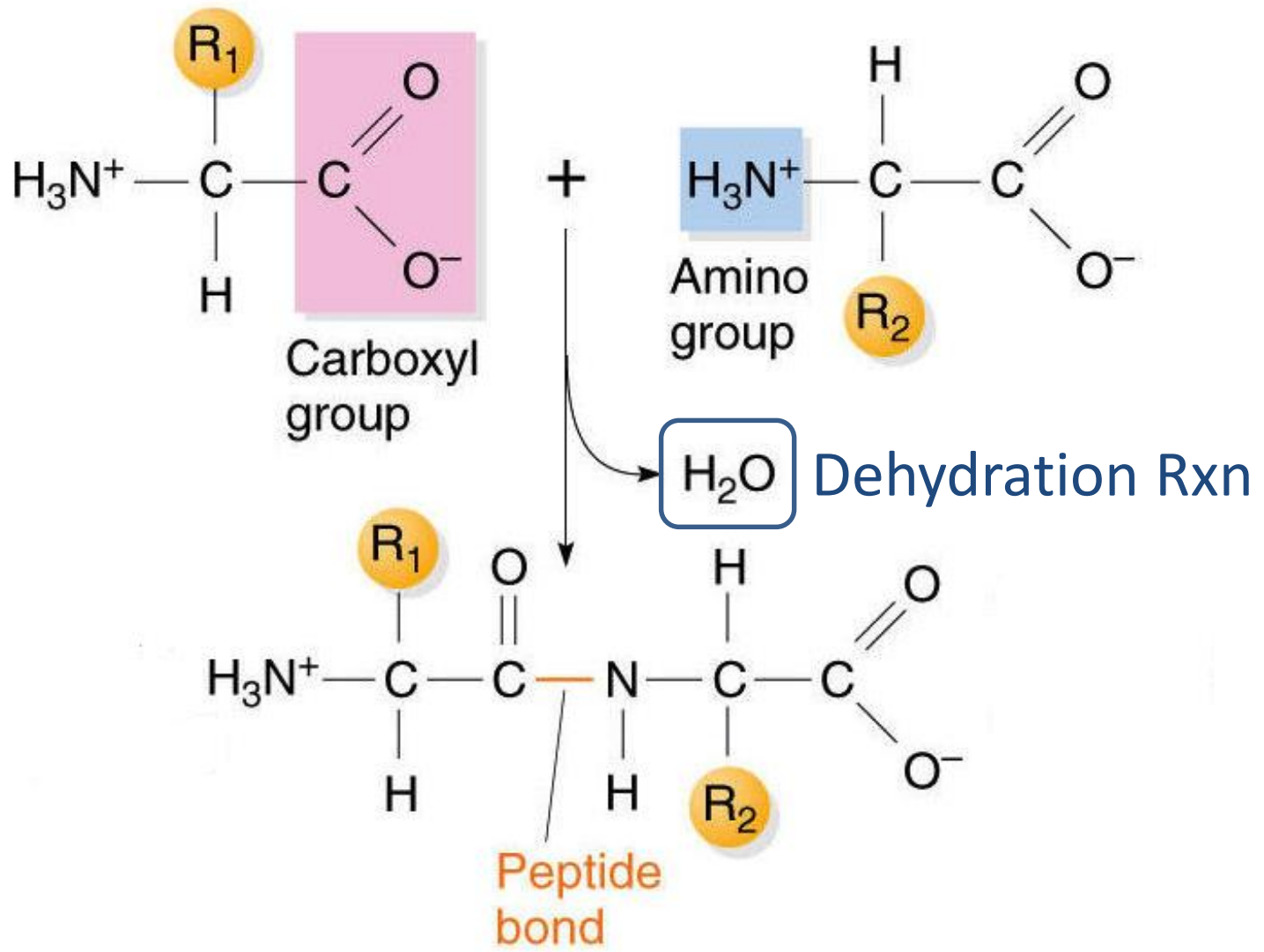
- Sucrose (Table sugar)      1 glucose - 1 fructose
- Maltose (Malt sugar)      2 glucose
- Lactose (Milk sugar)      1 glucose - 1 galactose



- Polysaccharides
  - Long chains of monosaccharides
    - Starch
    - Cellulose “roughage” - not digestible
    - Glycogen storage form of carbohydrates and is found in the liver and muscle

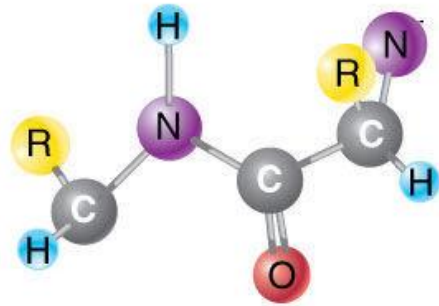
- All proteins contain C, H, O and N and may contain S, Fe
- The building blocks are
  - Amino acid group (-NH<sub>2</sub>)
    - Essential amino acids
      - 8 that cannot be produced by the human body
    - Nonessential amino acids
      - 12 amino acids can be produced from molecules available in the human body
  - Carboxyl acid group (-COOH)
- Amino acids are linked together by peptide bonds formed by dehydration synthesis



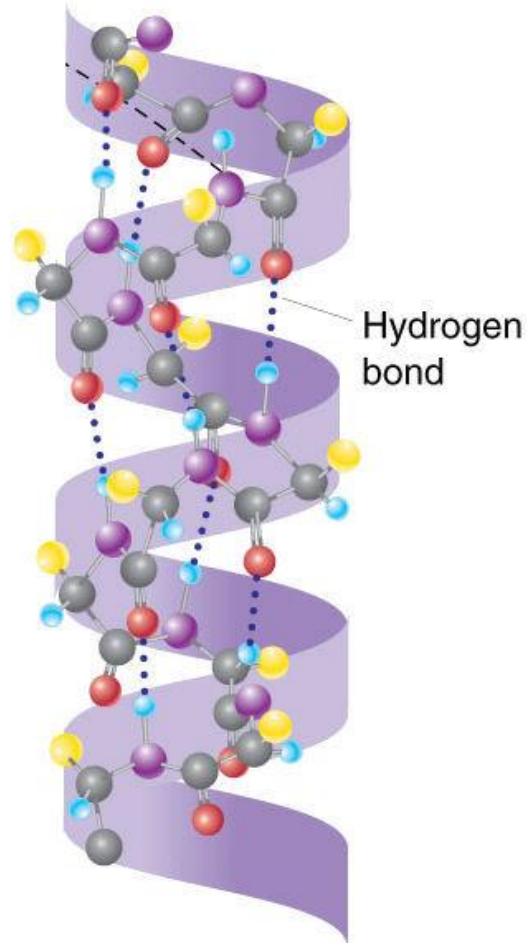


- The basic structural material of the body
- Performs many important functions
  - Structural components in cells and tissues
  - Act as antibodies
  - Muscles contain some that are responsible for contraction
  - Receptor sites and identification markers on cells
  - Hemoglobin carries Oxygen in blood
  - Source of energy

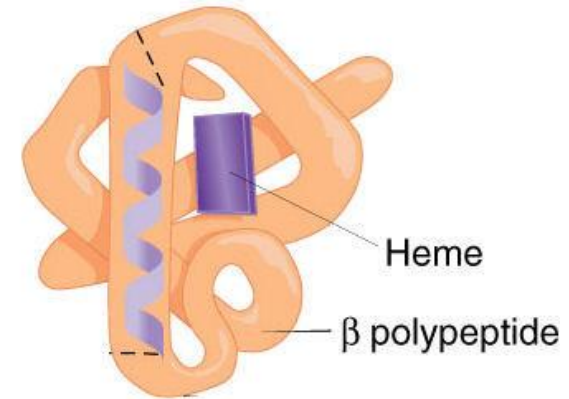
- Levels of protein structure
  - Protein molecules are highly organized and show a definite relationship between structure and function
  - There are four levels of protein organization:
    - Primary structure—refers to the number, kind, and sequence of amino acids that make up the polypeptide chain
    - Secondary structure—polypeptide is coiled or bent into pleated sheets stabilized by hydrogen bonds
    - Tertiary structure—a secondary structure can be further twisted, resulting in a globular shape; the coils touch in many places and are “welded” by covalent and hydrogen bonds
    - Quaternary structure—highest level of organization occurring when protein contains more than one polypeptide chain



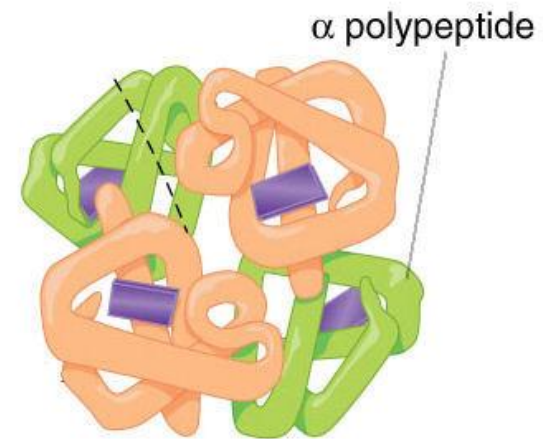
(a) Primary structure



(b) Secondary structure



c) Tertiary structure



(d) Quaternary structure—



- Two broad categories
  - Structural proteins form the structures of the body
  - Functional proteins cause chemical changes in the molecules
    - Shape of a protein's molecules determines its function
      - Denatured proteins have lost their shape and therefore their function
      - Proteins can be denatured by changes in pH, temperature, radiation, and other chemicals
      - If the chemical environment is restored, proteins may be renatured and function normally

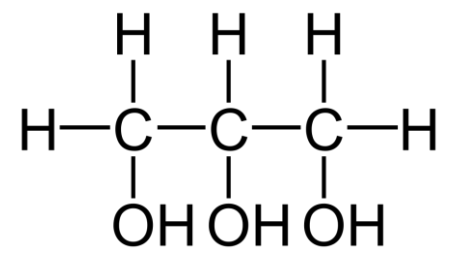
- Contain C, H and O (may contain N)
- Differ from Carbohydrates since they have much lower Oxygen concentration
  - i.e. glycerol tristearate ( $C_{57}H_{110}O_6$ )
- Are insoluble in water (greasy), but can be soluble in acetone, ether, alcohol and other non-polar solvents
- Most common members of the lipid group are triglycerides (fats)
- Major roles:
  - Energy source
  - Structural role
  - Integral parts of cell membranes

- Triglycerides
  - Most abundant lipids and most concentrated source of energy
  - Provide protection
  - Padding
  - Insulation

- Are made of:

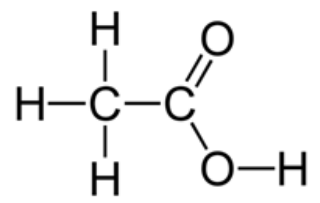
- Glycerol

- Has hydroxyl group (-OH) on each C

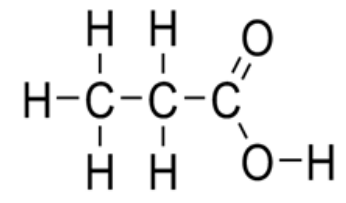


- Fatty acids

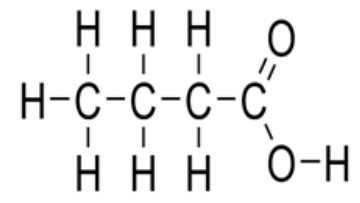
- C chains with a carboxyl group (-COOH) at one end which gives it acidic properties
- If all C are connected by single covalent bonds then it is a saturated fatty acid
- If there are some double covalent bonds then it is a unsaturated fatty acid



Acetic acid (acetate)

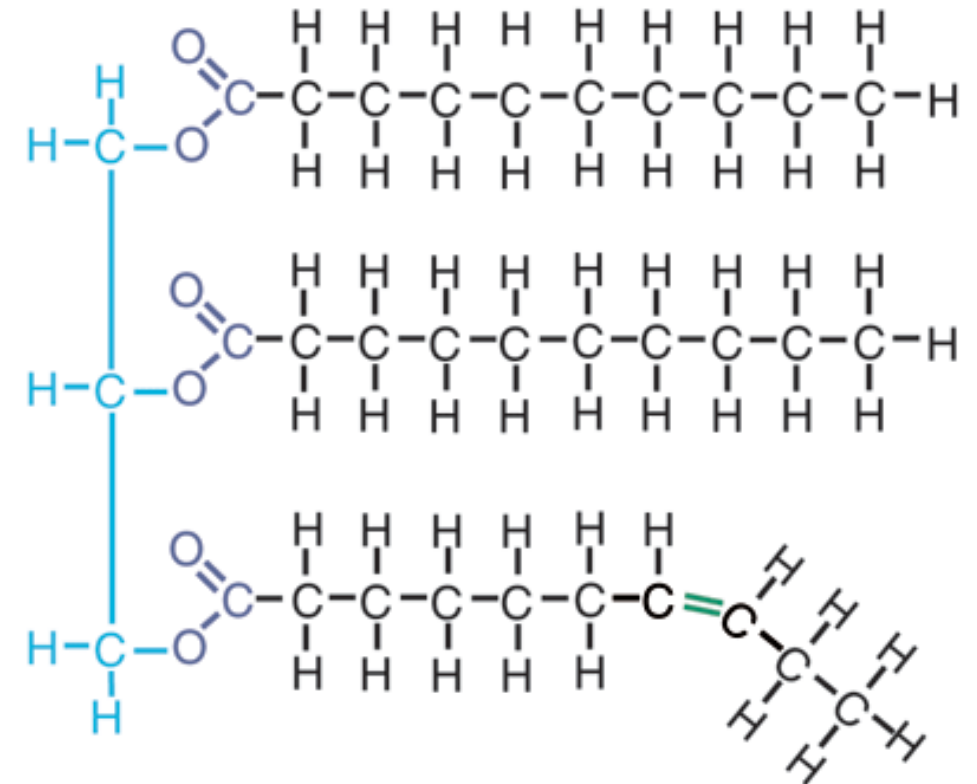


Propionic acid (propionate)



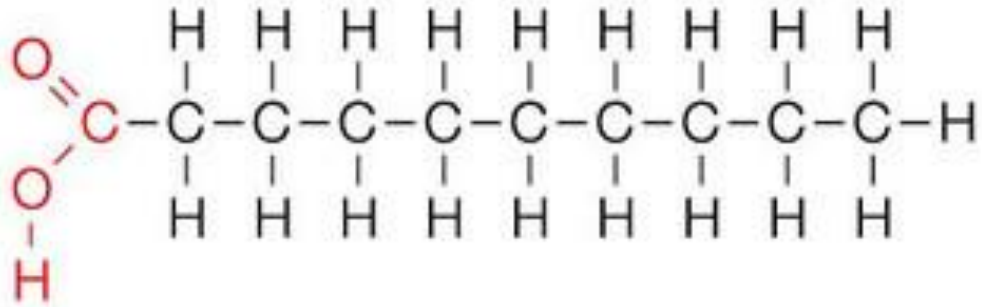
Butyric acid (butyrate)

- Three fatty acids combine with one glycerol to form the triglyceride



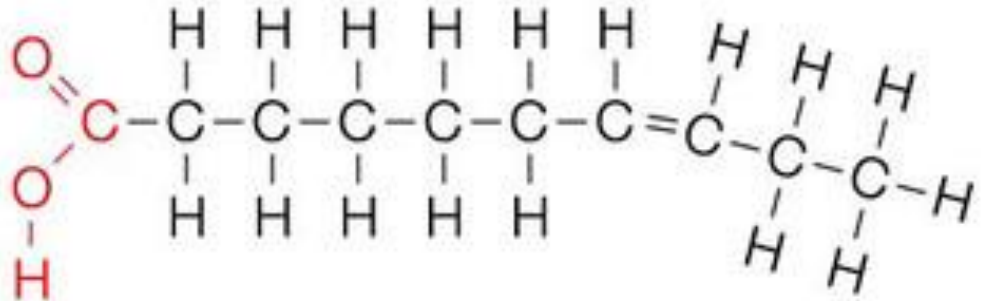
■ glycerol ■ carboxyl group ■ fatty acid ■ double bond

## Saturated



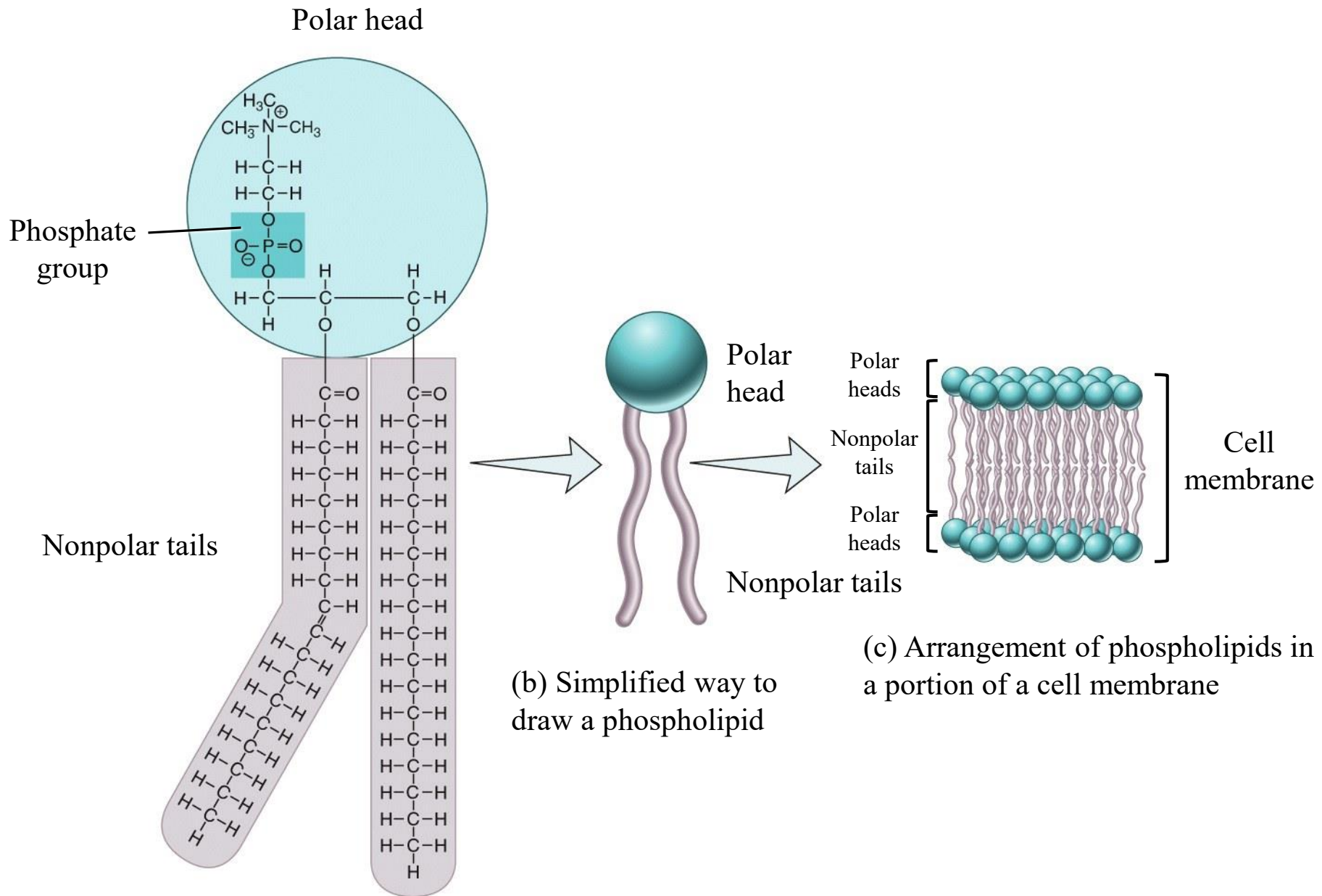
All C are bound by hydrogen (animal fats)

## Unsaturated



Have one or more double bonds between the C atoms (vegetable fats)

- Phospholipids
  - Similar to triglycerides
  - One end is water-soluble (hydrophilic)
  - One end is fat-soluble (hydrophobic)
  - Contain a phosphate group as well as the glycerol and fatty acids
    - Glycerol + phosphate + 2 fatty acids
  - Are important component of the cellular membrane
  - particularly in nerve and muscle cells





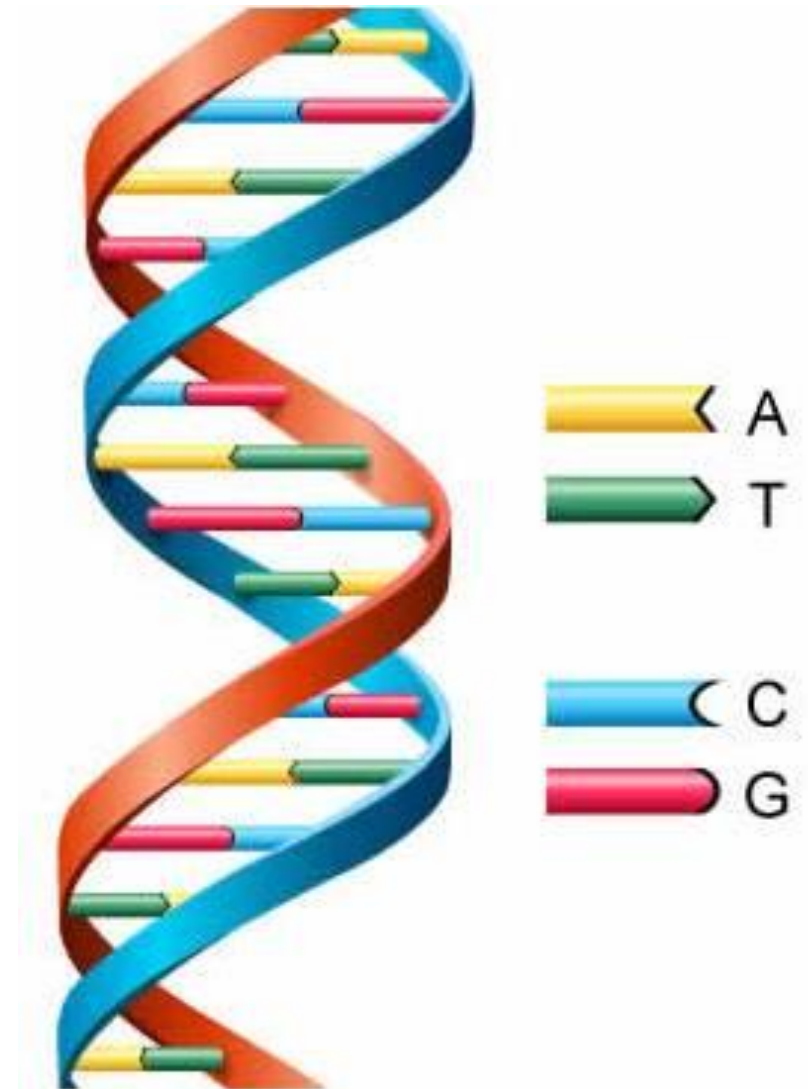
- Steroids
  - A derivative of lipids
    - Main component is steroid nucleus
    - Involved in many structural and functional roles
  - Examples
    - Cholesterol (most common) which is particularly abundant in the brain and nerve tissue
    - Hormones (sex hormones) and vitamin D

- Prostaglandins
  - “Tissue hormones”; produced by cell membranes throughout the body
    - First discovered in the prostate (hence the name)
  - Formed in the cell and released from the membrane due to stimulus
  - Have very local effects and then become inactive
    - Help regulate effects of hormones
    - Influence BP and gastric secretions
    - Enhance the immune system and inflammatory response
    - Play a role in blood clotting and respiration

- Large, complex, organic compounds that contain C, H, O, N and Phosphate
- Nucleotides are the building blocks, which contains a 5-carbon sugar (pentose), a nitrogenous base and a phosphate group
- 2 types
  - Deoxyribonucleic acid      DNA
  - Ribonucleic acid              RNA

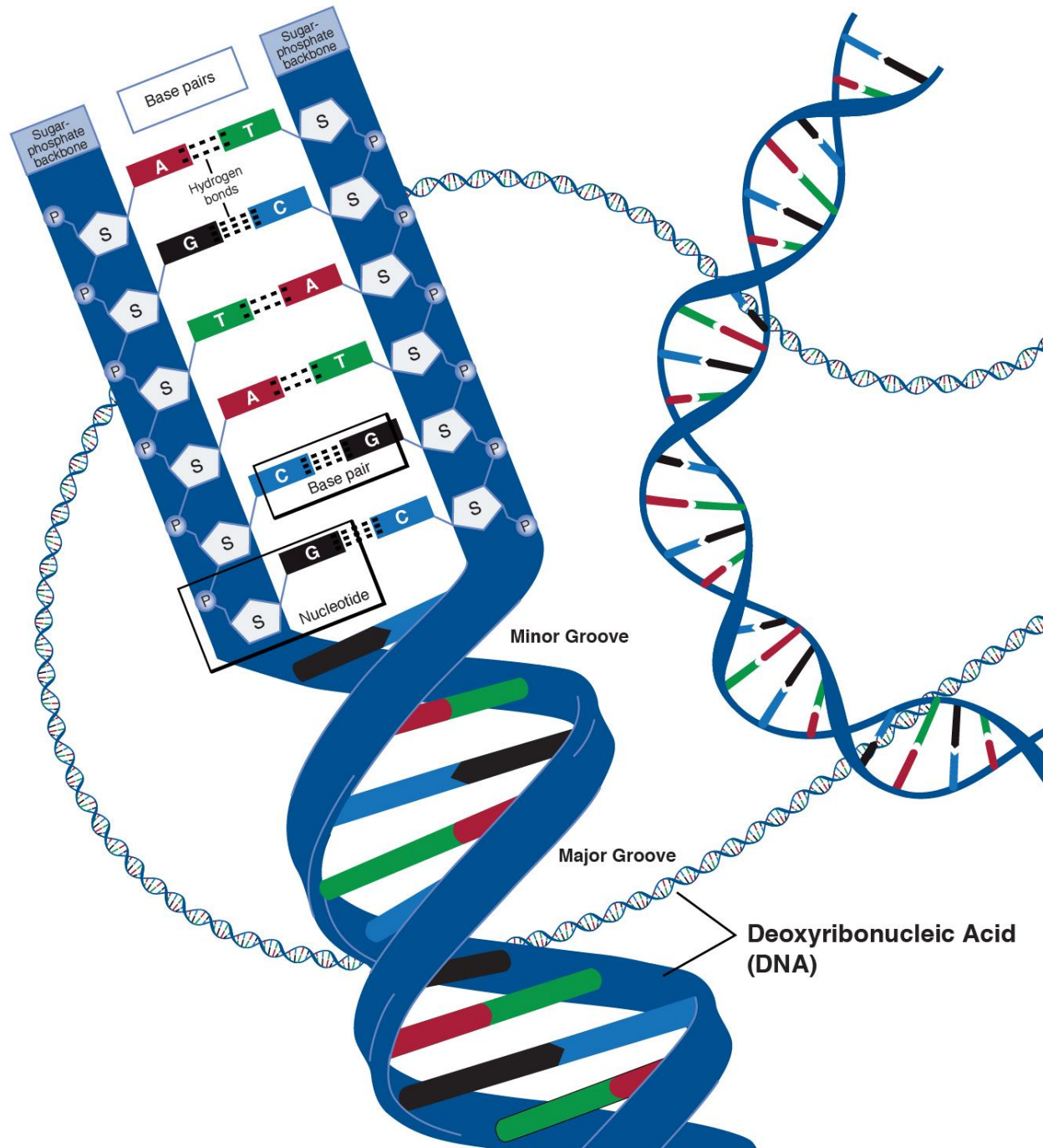
# Deoxyribonucleic Acid (DNA)

- Is the genetic material of the cell
  - Sugar: deoxyribose
  - N bases:
    - Adenine
    - Thymine
    - Cytosine
    - Guanine
  - Phosphate group
- The sequence of these gives the genetic code
- Two chains of DNA are loosely joined by H Bonds and twisted into a double helix



- Alternating deoxyribose and phosphate units form backbone of the chains
- Base pairs hold the two chains of DNA molecule together
- Specific sequence of more than 100 million base pairs constitute one human DNA molecule; all DNA molecules in one individual are identical and different from those in all other individuals
- DNA functions as the molecule of heredity

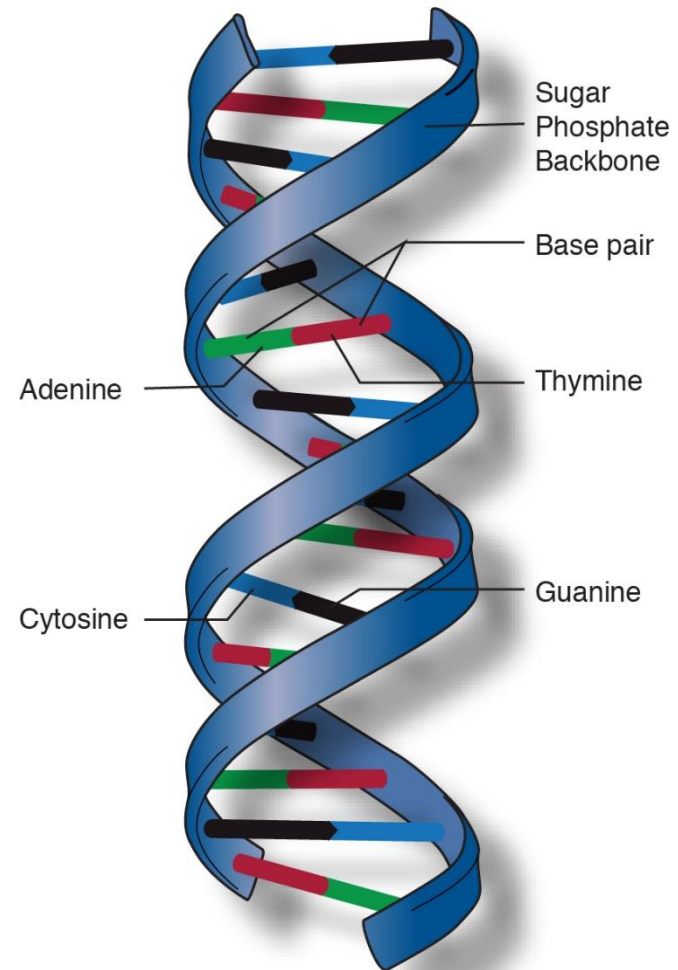
# Deoxyribonucleic Acid (DNA)



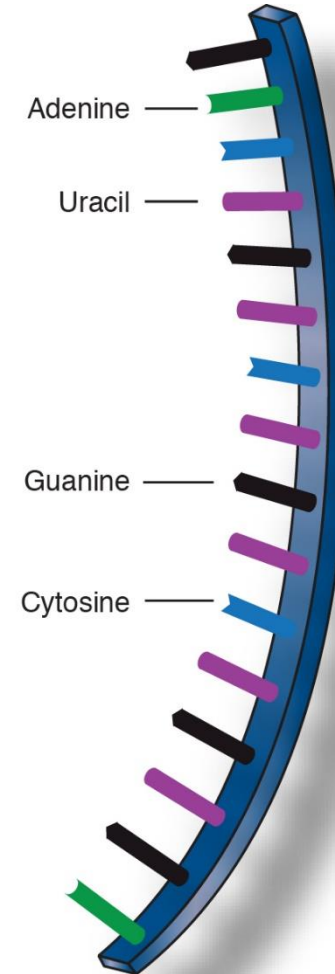
- Has several functions in the synthesis of proteins in the cell
- Is a single chain
- Sugar: ribose
- N bases:
  - Adenine
  - Uracil
  - Cytosine
  - Guanine

- Some RNA molecules are temporary copies of segments (genes) of the DNA code and are involved in synthesizing proteins
- Some RNA molecules are regulatory, acting as enzymes (ribozymes) or silencing gene expression (RNA interference)
- DNA has the instructions for making proteins
- RNA carries out the process



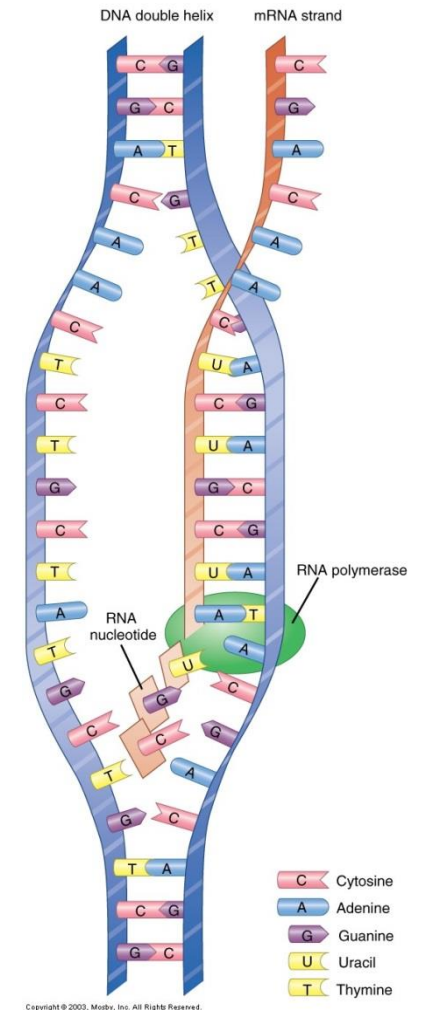


Deoxyribonucleic acid  
(DNA)

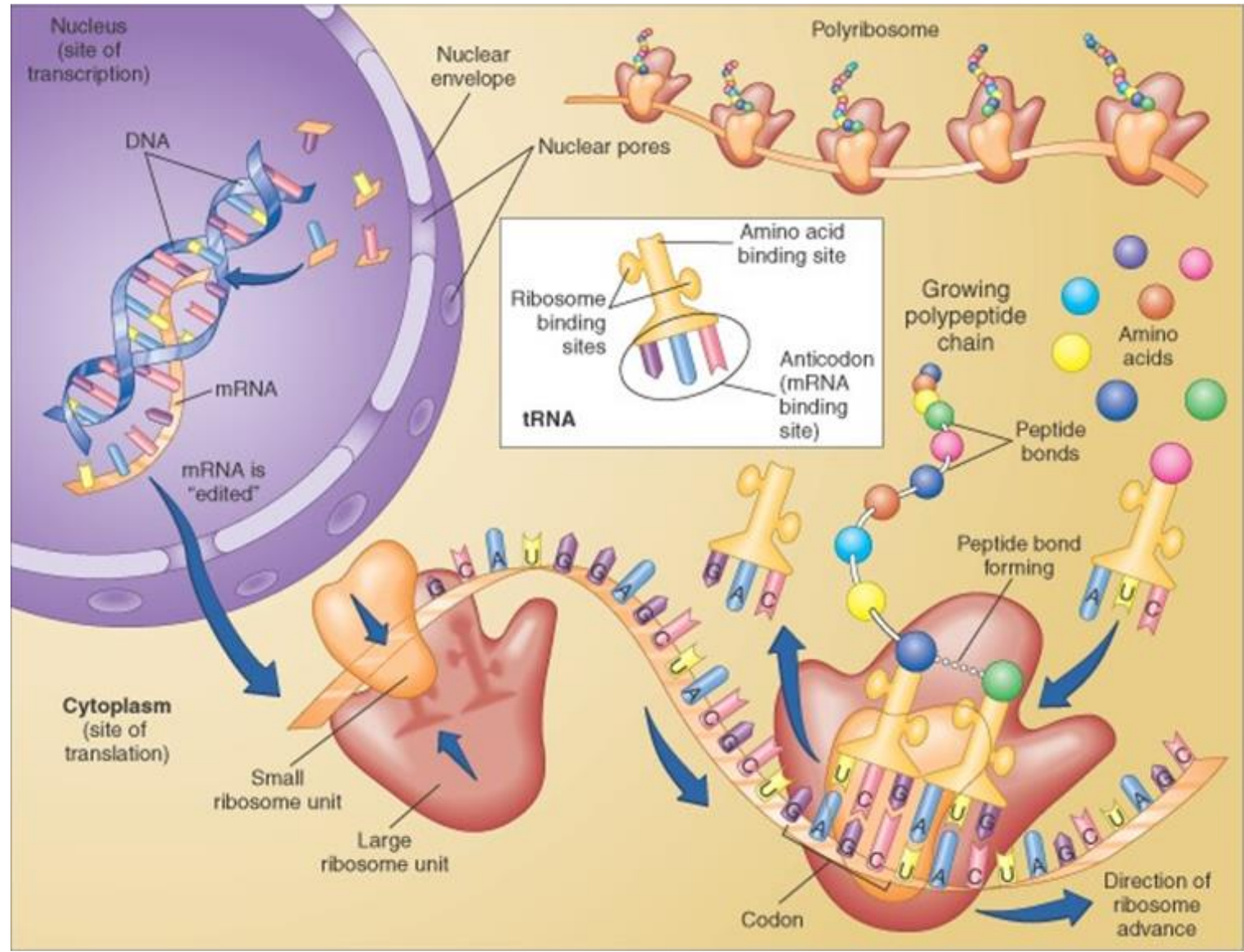


Ribonucleic acid  
(RNA)

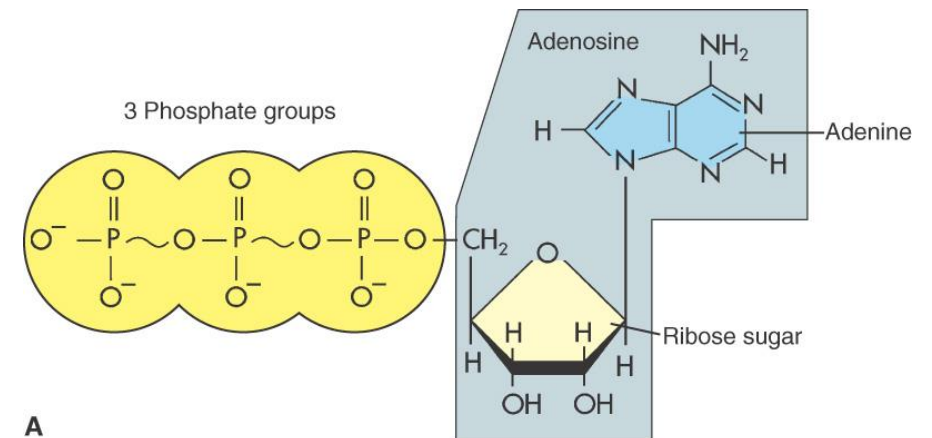
- Transcription
  - Strand of RNA forms along a strand of DNA
  - This RNA becomes mRNA
  - Is released out of nucleus and carries its message to the ribosomes in the cytoplasm



- Translation
  - mRNA attracts small and large ribosome subunits
  - tRNA picks up an amino acid floating freely in the cytoplasm
  - Then attaches to the ribosome/RNA complex at a specific sequence



- Nucleic acids and related molecules
  - Nucleotides
    - Nucleotides have other important roles in the body
    - ATP
      - Adenosine
        - » Ribose—a pentose sugar
        - » Adenine—a nitrogen-containing molecule
      - Three phosphate subunits



- Nucleotides
  - High-energy bonds present between phosphate groups
  - Cleavage of high-energy bonds releases energy during catabolic reactions
  - Energy stored in ATP is used to do the body's work
  - ATP often called the energy currency of cells
  - ATP is split into adenosine diphosphate (ADP) and an inorganic phosphate group by a special enzyme
  - If ATP is depleted during prolonged exercise, creatine phosphate (CP) or ADP can be used for energy

- Nucleic acids and related molecules (cont.)
  - NAD and FAD
    - Used as coenzymes to transfer energy-carrying molecules from one chemical pathway to another
  - cAMP (cyclic AMP)
    - Made from ATP by removing two phosphate groups to form a monophosphate
    - Used as an intracellular signal

- Combined forms—large molecules can be joined together to form even larger molecules
  - Gives the molecules a completely different function
  - Names of combined molecules reveals what is in them
    - Base word tells which component is dominant
    - Prefix shows the component present in a lesser amount



- Combined forms
  - Examples:
    - Adenosine triphosphate (ATP)—two extra phosphate groups to a nucleotide
    - Lipoproteins—lipid and protein groups combined into a single molecule
    - Glycoproteins—carbohydrate (glyco, “sweet”) and protein