REVIEW: Biochemistry

SIMPLE compounds are **SMALL**

We call them: BUILDING BLOCKS

Or SUBUNITS or

MONOMERS

They are used to SYNTHESIZE (build) COMPLEX compounds!



$\underline{\mathsf{COMPLEX}}$ compounds are $\underline{\boldsymbol{BIG}}$

We call them: POLYMERS

They are made when SIMPLE compounds are linked together!



Mono = 1 di = 2 poly = many

The BIG 4!

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These are their building blocks



Carbohydrates.....sugars (GLUCOSE).....made of <u>SIMPLE SUGARS</u>

Protein.....polypeptides.....made of *AMINO ACIDS*

Lipids..... fats..... made of FATTY ACIDS

Nucleic Acids......DNA & RNA.....made of NUCLEOTIDES

The **BIG 4** are **ORGANIC!**

ORGANIC compound or **INORGANIC** compound?



Remember:

CARBON (C) and HYDROGEN (H) together make it ORGANIC!

Think "CH-ORGANIC!"

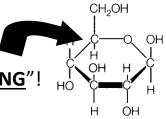
Remember: WATER is INORGANIC!



<u>Sugars/Carbohydrates</u> end in "<u>OSE</u>" (like *glucose* and *fructose*!)



Remember: Carb Ohydrates.....LOOK for the "RING"!



Carbohydrates = source of ENERGY

$G_{\underline{1}}ucose = \underline{mono}$ saccharide

Lipids: Fats and Oils

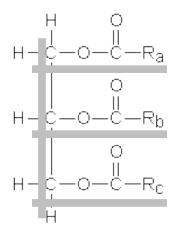
✓ = source of <u>STORED ENERGY</u>

✓ = ORGANIC



Remember: Is it a <u>LIPID</u>?

LOOK for the "BIG E".



Nucleic Acids:

- ✓ The <u>BUILDING BLOCKS</u> are <u>NUCLEOTIDES(repeating units)</u>
- ✓ <u>DNA</u> = <u>N</u>ucleic <u>A</u>cid



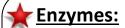
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Nucleo**<u>t</u>**ides are <u>SMALL(tiny)</u>

nuclei <u>C</u> acids are <u>LARGE</u> (complex)

Proteins: think **AMINO ACIDS**(building blocks!)

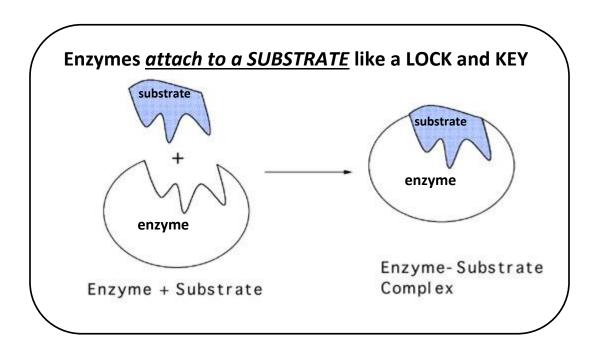
The **SHAPE of the protein** is **determined by the SEQUENCE of AMINO ACIDS.**



- ✓ <u>SPEED up</u> the rate of <u>reaction</u>.
- ✓ <u>STAY the SAME</u> during reaction.
- ✓ Enzymes are catalysts!

An **ENZYME** would be <u>here</u>(on the arrow!)

$$2H_2 + O_2 \xrightarrow{\downarrow} 2H_2O$$



Enzymes work BEST at OPTIMAL Ph and OPTIMAL TEMPERATURE

If an <u>enzyme shape has been destroyed</u> it has been <u>DENATURED</u>
(it will not work correctly!)

Well <u>balanced diet</u> = <u>better enzyme function</u> in your body!