CARBOHYDRATES

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Disaccharides

- Composed of 2 monosaccharides
- cells can make disaccharides by joining two monosaccharides by biosynthesis.

Glucose + fructose = sucrose

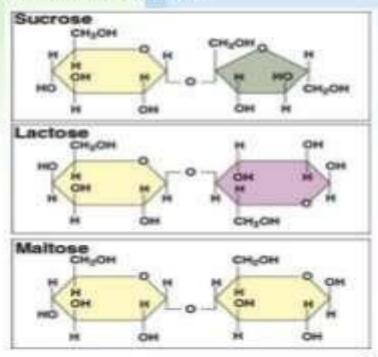
- Table sugar
- Found naturally in plants: sugar cane, sugar beets, honey, maple syrup
- Sucrose may be purified from plant sources into Brown, White and Powdered Sugars.

Glucose + galactose = lactose

- The primary sugar in milk and milk products.
- Many people have problems digesting large amounts of lactose (lactose intolerance)

Glucose + glucose = Maltose

- Produced when starch breaks down.
- Used naturally in fermentation reactions of alcohol and beer manufacturing.



Oligosaccharide is a carbohydrate polymers comprise three to ten monosaccharides, or, simple sugars. They were linked together mostly by O-glycosidic bond through condensation reaction or glycosidic bond between an anomeric carbon of a monosaccharide and the other after lose molecule of H2O. Trisaccharides: Carbohydrates that on hydrolysis gives three molecules of monosaccharides, whether same or different. An example is Raffinose.

Tetrasaccharides: carbohydrates that on hydrolysis give four molecules of monosaccharides. Stachyose is an example.

Polysaccharide

They are condensation of polymers of monosaccharides or their derivatives

The general formula of it is $(C_6H_{10}O_5)_n$

Classification:

1. Simple = Homogenous= Homopolysaccharides= Homoglycan

They are formed from the same type of monosaccharide units and include:

- a. hexosans: as fructosans and glucosans.
- b. Pentosans: formed of pentos sugar.

1. Mixed =Heterogenous =Heteropolysaccharides

Are formed from more than one type of monosaccharide as pectin and mucopolysaccharides

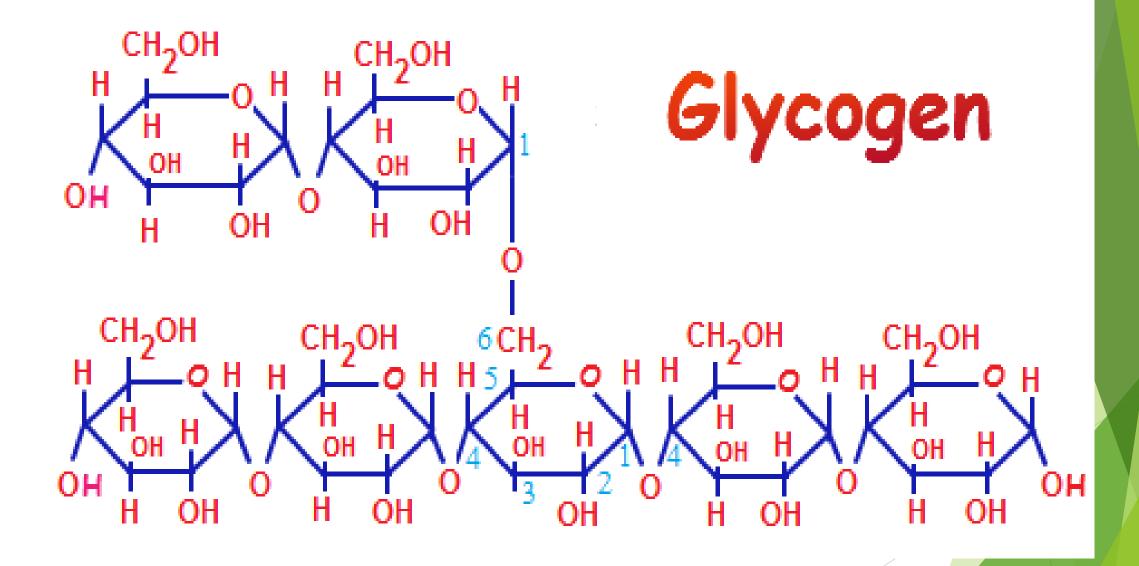
Homogenous polysaccharides

1- Starch:

- * its units are glucose linked by glucosidic bonds.
- It is the storage form of glucose in plants.
- It is a mixture of amylose & amylopectin.
- Amylose is a linear unbranched polymer of glucose linkage together by alpha (1-4) glycosidic bond.
- Amylopectin is a branched polymer of glucose units connective by alpha (1-4), bond with (1-6), Branch points occur every 25-30 glucose units.

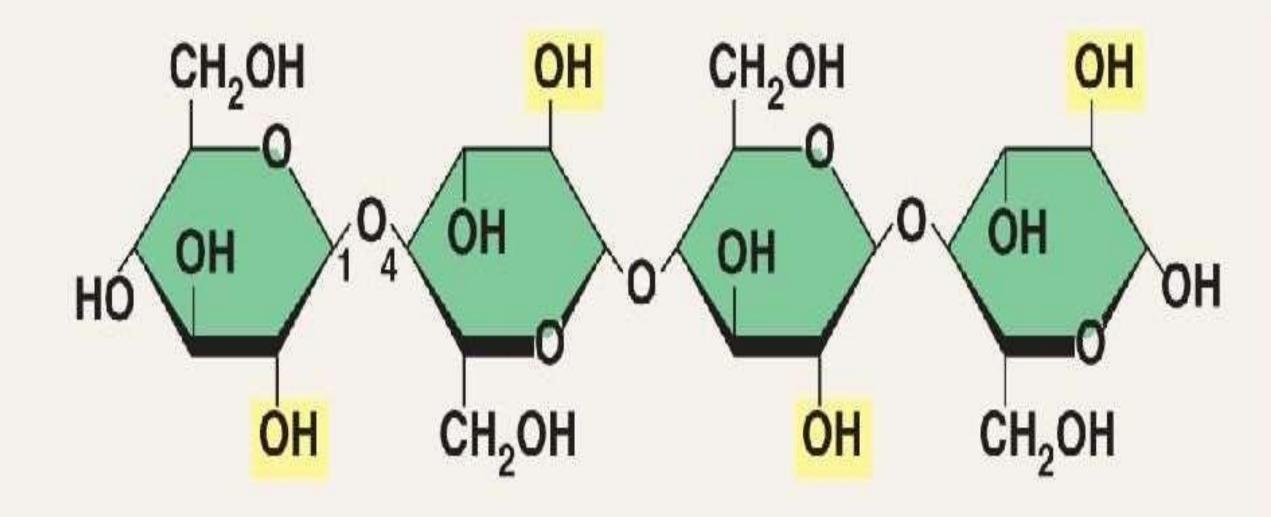
2-Glycogen:

- It is the main storage form of glucose in animals & humans.
- It is mainly found in liver and muscles.
- ❖ It is structure similar to amylopectin that is mean containing both alpha (1-4) and (1-6) glycosidic bond ,but it is highly branched from of amylopectin.
- Branch point occur every 8-10 glucose units.



3-Cellulose:

- The most abundant carbohydrate found in nature
- ❖ It is simple straight chain polysaccharide formed of beta glucose units linked by beta (1-4) glucosidic linkage
- No digested in humans due to lack of enzyme that hydrolyses beta (1-4) glucosidic linkage.
- Its function in diet to increase stool bulk that stimulate intestinal peristalsis and prevent constipation



Cellulose: 1–4 linkage of β glucose monomers

- 4- <u>Chitin</u>: composed of repeated unit of N-acetylglucosamine
- 5- <u>Dextrin</u>: It is derived from the partial hydrolysis of starch, consisting of glucose unit

Heteropolysaccharides

Mucopolysaccharides = glycosaminoglycans

- Hyaluronic acid: repeated units of β glucuronic acid and N-acetyl glucosamine.
- 2. Hyaluronic acid found between joints acts as synovial fluid and provides frictionless movement and it is also found in loose connective tissue and cartilage.
- Chondroitine 4 or 6 sulfate: repeated units of glucuronic acid and N- acetylgalactoseamine with sulfate at C-4 or C-6.
 Found in cartilage, tendons and ligaments.

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glycoproteins

They are proteins attached to oligosaccharides ! Examples:

- 1.lgG
- 2. Mucine found in mucous secretions.
- 3. Membrane-bound glycoproteins.
- 4. Plasma transport proteins.
- 5. Structural proteins as collagen

Clinical importance of some carbohydrates

<u>Inulin</u>: —

It is a polysaccharide (containing fructose) which can be used in determination of glomerular filtration rate (GFR).

<u>Cardiac glycosides</u>:

Sugars can react with alcohols forming acetals known as glycosides . examples , cardiac glycosides as digitalis which is used in treatment of heart failure

<u>Ouabain</u>:

- -Inhibitor of Na-K ATPase of cell membrane.
- -Called a cardiac glycoside
- -Lower doses can be used medically to treat hypotension and some arrhythmias.

Streptomycin:

It is an antibiotic.

