

# I. Simple lipids

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Triglycerides (TG)

Triacylglycerol (TAG)

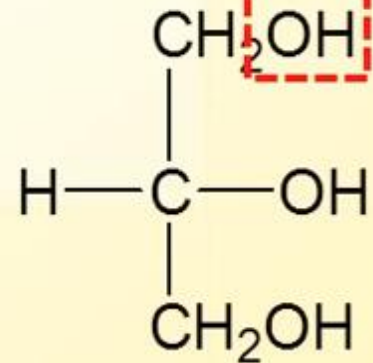
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## 1. True fats (*neutral fats*)

- These are esters of glycerol and various fatty acids.
- If all the three hydroxyl groups of glycerol are esterified, fats are known as triacylglycerol (TG; TAG).

# Triglyceride (TG; TAG)

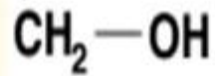
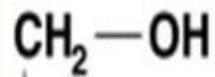


glycerol

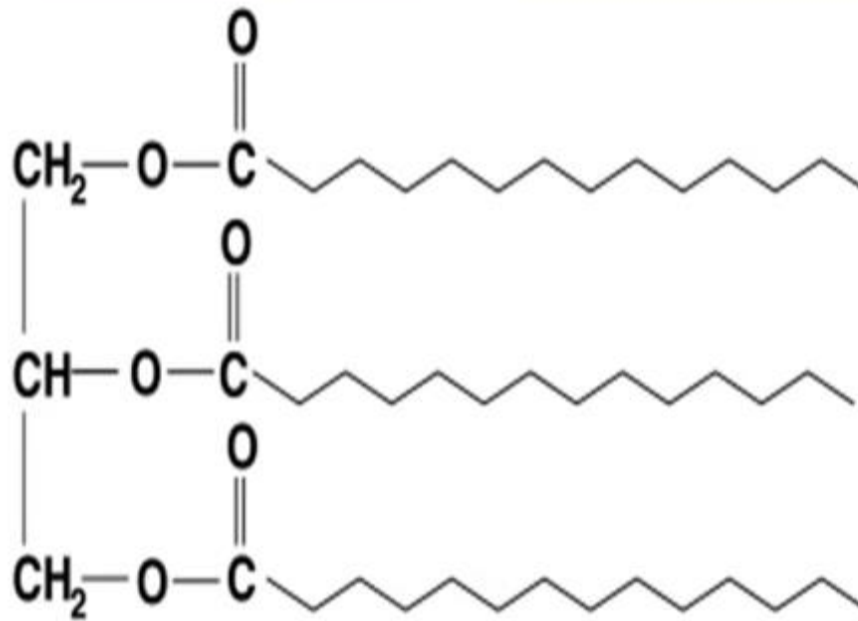
Formation of an ester:



# Triglyceride (TG; TAG)

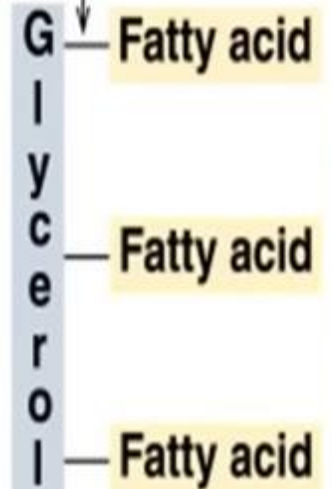


Glycerol



Triacyglycerol

Ester bonds



# Triglyceride (TG; TAG)

- Physical properties depend on the fatty acid components.
  - the melting point increases as the *number of carbons* in the hydrocarbon chain increases and as the number of *double bonds* decrease.
  - triglycerides rich in unsaturated (**cis double bonds**) fatty acids are generally liquid at room temperature and are called **oils**.
  - triglycerides rich in saturated fatty acids are generally semisolids or solids at room temperature and are called **fats**.

## Most animal fats

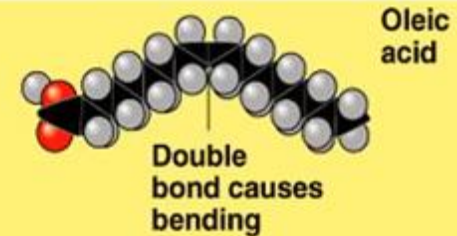
- solid at room temperature



(a) Saturated fat and fatty acid

## Plant, vegetable & fish fats

- liquid at room temperature



(b) Unsaturated fat and fatty acid

# Biological importance of true fats

1. They form reserve foods in animals. In animals, they are found as **depot fat** in the subcutaneous tissues. This depot fat is mobilized during starvation to **produce energy** and so its amount is variable, and thus true fats are known as *variable element of fat.*

2. They are the most compact form in which energy can be stored.

**(1 gm of fat → 9.3 KCal).**

3. True fats are also found as **supporting material** in some parts of the body as around the kidneys.



# Classification of triglycerides (TG;TAG)

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# Triglycerides (TG; TAG)

They may be:

- 1. Simple triacylglycerols:** i.e. contain a **single kind of fatty acid** in all the three ester positions. e.g. *Tristearin*, *Tripalmitin* and *Triolein*.
- 2. Mixed triacylglycerols:** i.e. contain 2 or more **different fatty acids** in the molecule. e.g. *1,3-Distearopalmitin*



# Derived & associated lipids

## They include:

1. Fatty acids.
2. Glycerol.
3. Alcohols (other than glycerol).
- 4. Monoacylglycerol & diacylglycerol.**
5. Steroids (sterols, steroid hormones, bile acids).
6. Carotenoids.
7. Fat Soluble vitamins (D, E, K, A).

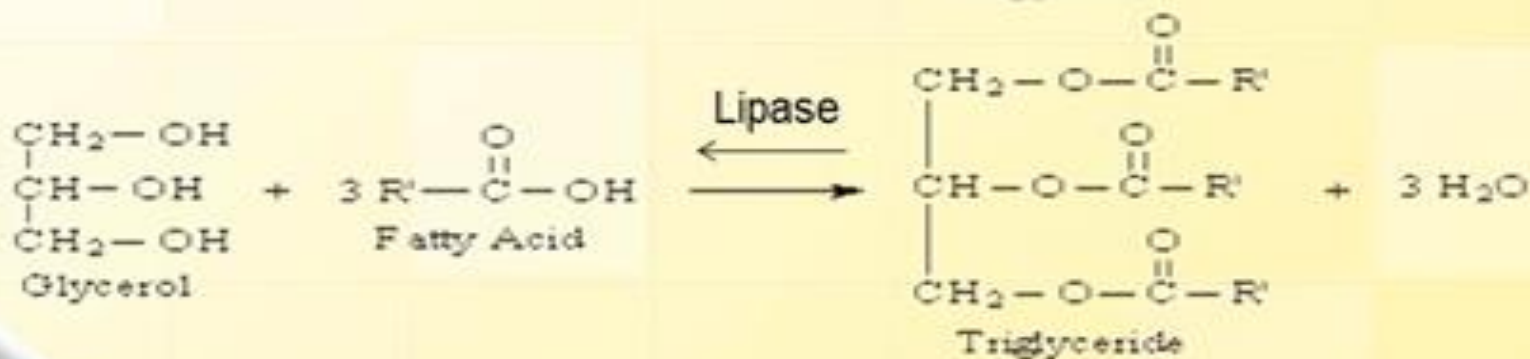
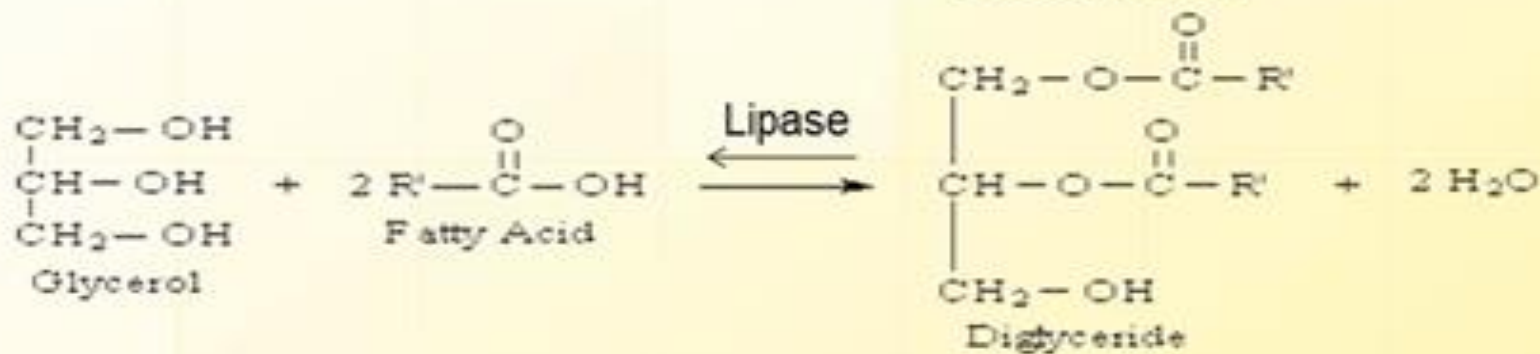
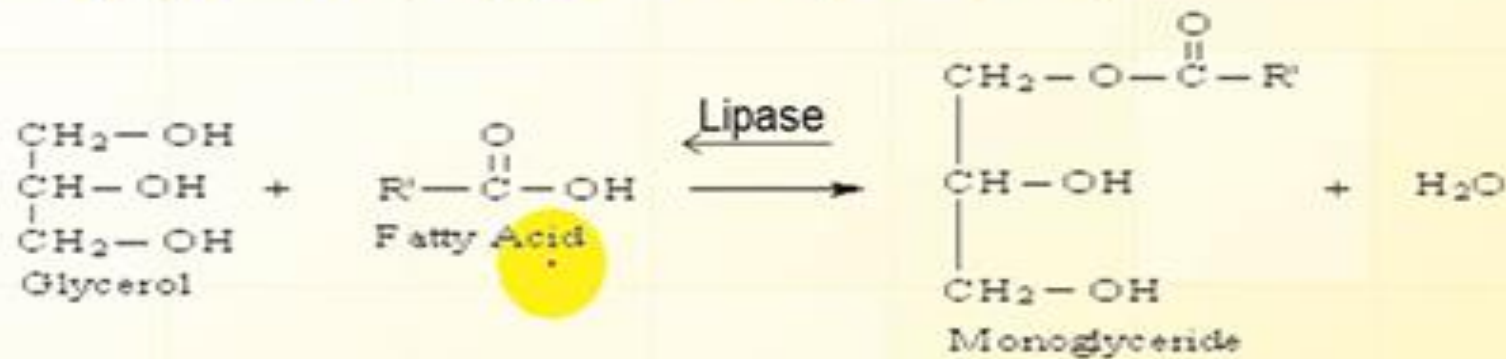
## Definition:

- They are either **derived from** simple and compound lipids (1,2,3,4) or **associated with** lipids (5,6,7) and they possess the **general physical characteristics of lipids.**

**Monoacylglycerol; monoglycerides (MAG; MG)**

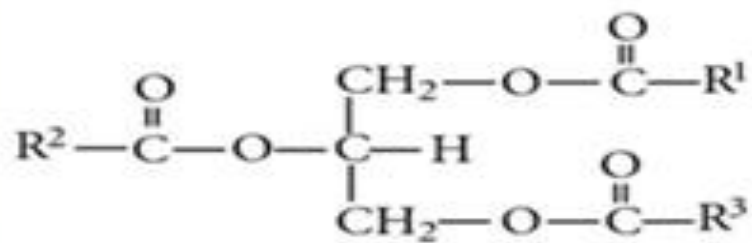
**Diacylglycerol; diglycerides (DAG; DG)**

**Triacylglycerol; triglycerides (TAG; TG)**

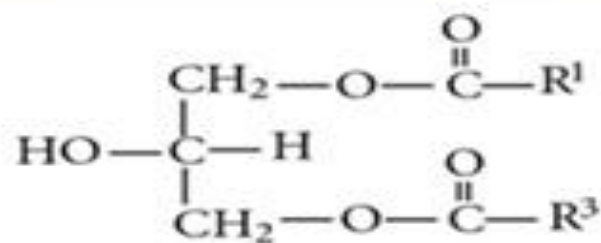


## Diacylglycerol; diglycerides (DAG; DG)

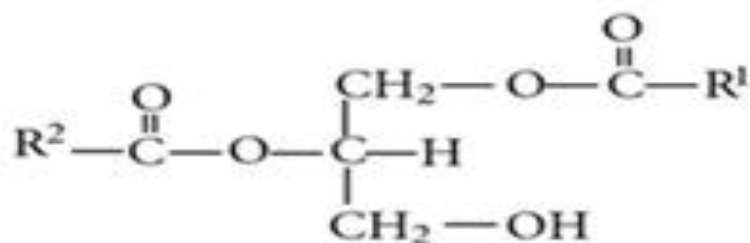
- MAG & DAG are intermediate in TG metabolism.
- DAG acts as signal molecule.
- MAG is more polar than DAG, however TG are hydrophobic.



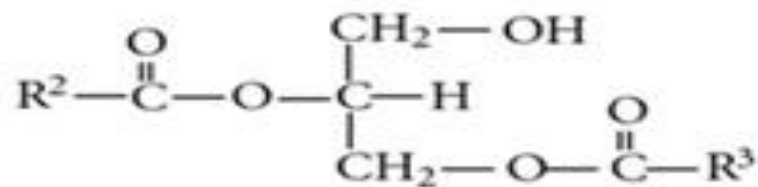
1,2,3-triacyl- -glycerol (TAG)



1,3-diacyl- -glycerol (DAG)



1,2-diacyl- -glycerol (DAG)



2,3-diacyl- -glycerol (DAG)

## II. Complex lipids

### 1. Phospholipids

#### A. Glycerophospholipids:

- i.* Phosphatidic acid.
- ii.* Lecithin (phosphatidyl choline) & Dipalmitoyl lecithin.
- iii.* Cephalin (phosphatidyl ethanolamine).
- iv.* Phosphatidyl Serine.
- v.* Phosphatidyl inositol.
- vi.* Diphosphatidyl glycerol or Cardiolipin.

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#### B. sphingophospholipids

1. Sphingomyelin.

## II- Complex lipids

### 1. Phospholipids.

**Structure:** (alcohol + FA + P +/- Base)

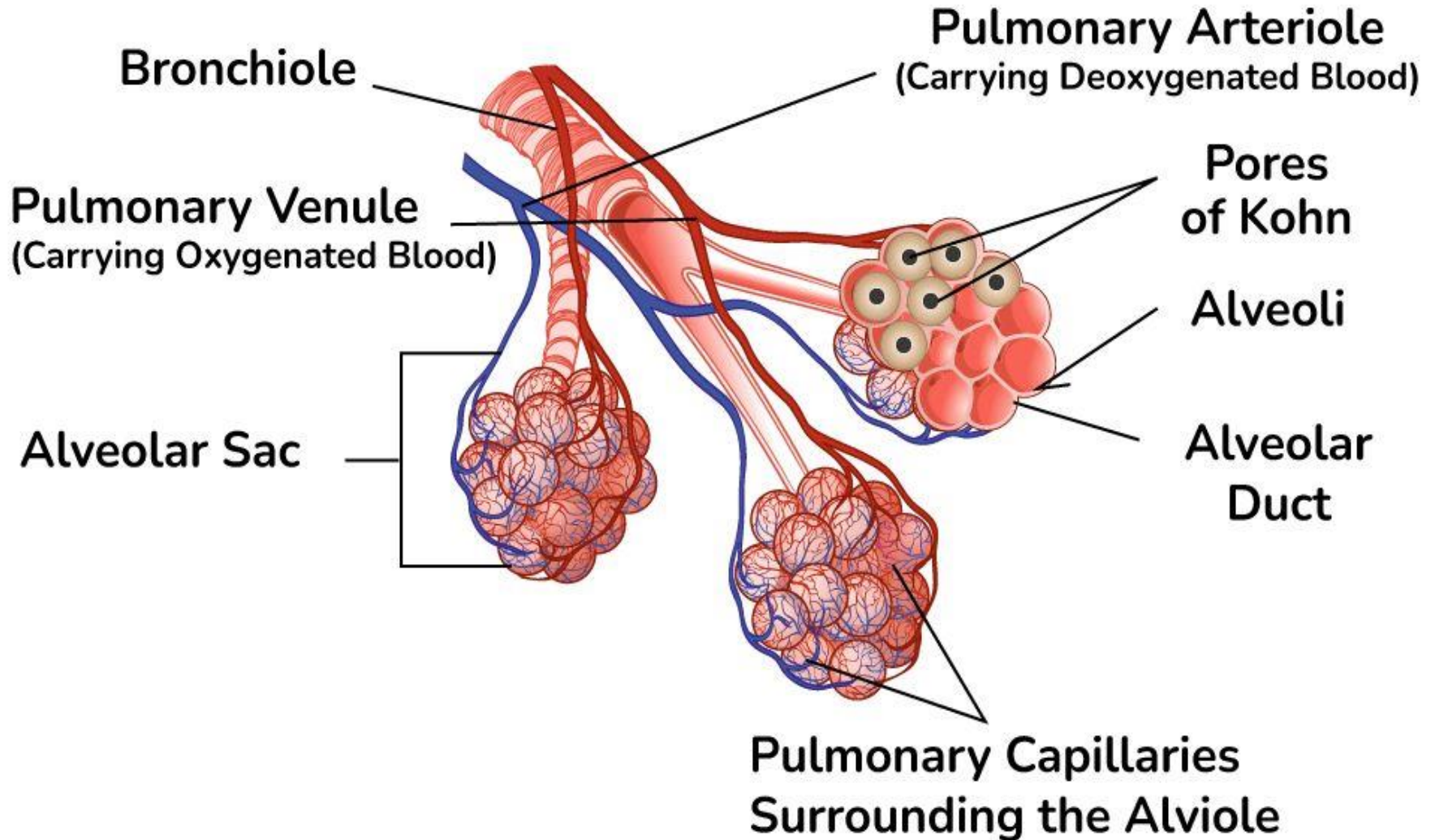
- Their amount remains constant even in starvation (**constant element of fat**).
- They can be hydrolysed by phospholipases.

**Function:**

- major constituents of all **cell membranes**.
- components of **bile**.
- **signal mediators**.
- components of **lung surfactant**.
- components of **lipoproteins**



# Diagram of Alveoli

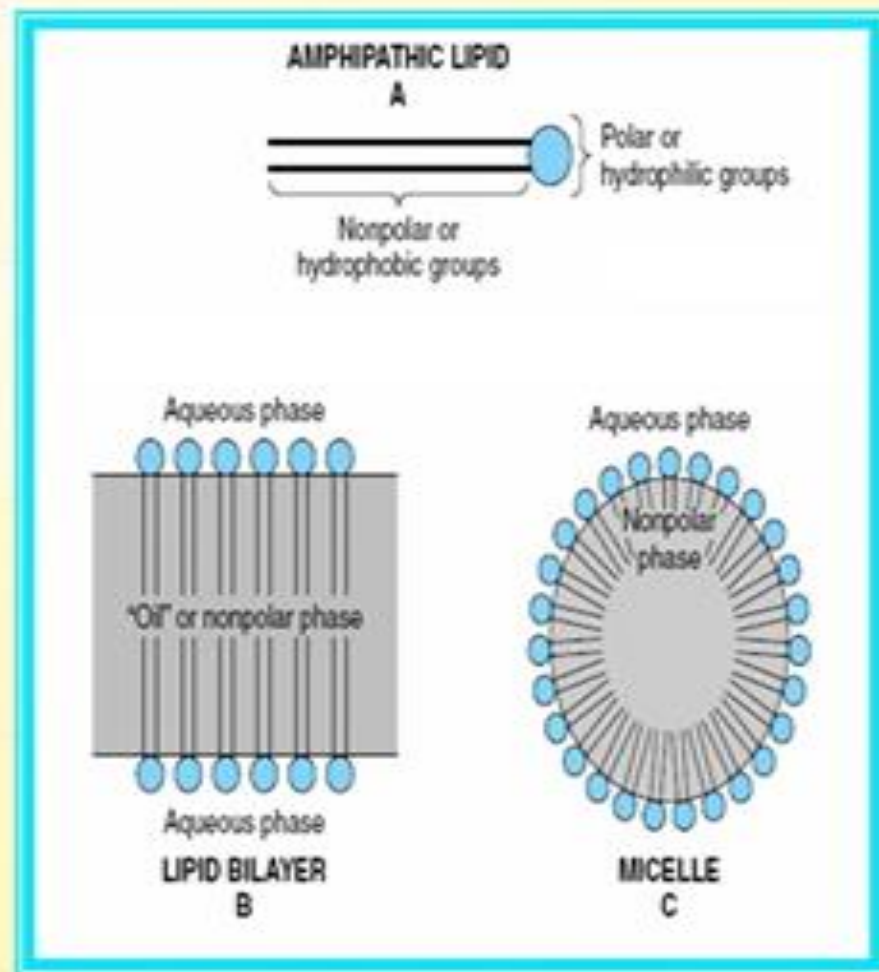


# II- complex lipids

## 1. Phospholipids.

### Properties:

- They are **amphipathic lipids** that contain both **polar** and **non polar part** in the same molecule.
- They form micelles in water which are involved in solubilization of lipids in intestinal lumen helping their digestion and absorption.



## II- complex lipids

### 1. Phospholipids. A. Glycerophospholipids :

- The fatty acids present in phosphoglycerides are: one mostly **saturated** in the **1st position** of glycerol, the **2<sup>nd</sup> is unsaturated** fatty acid. **Both are high** fatty acids.
- Phospholipids because they have phosphoryl bases as polar, hydrophilic, heads (**ionizable heads**) in addition to their hydrocarbon non polar hydrophobic tail are considered (**amphipathic** ).

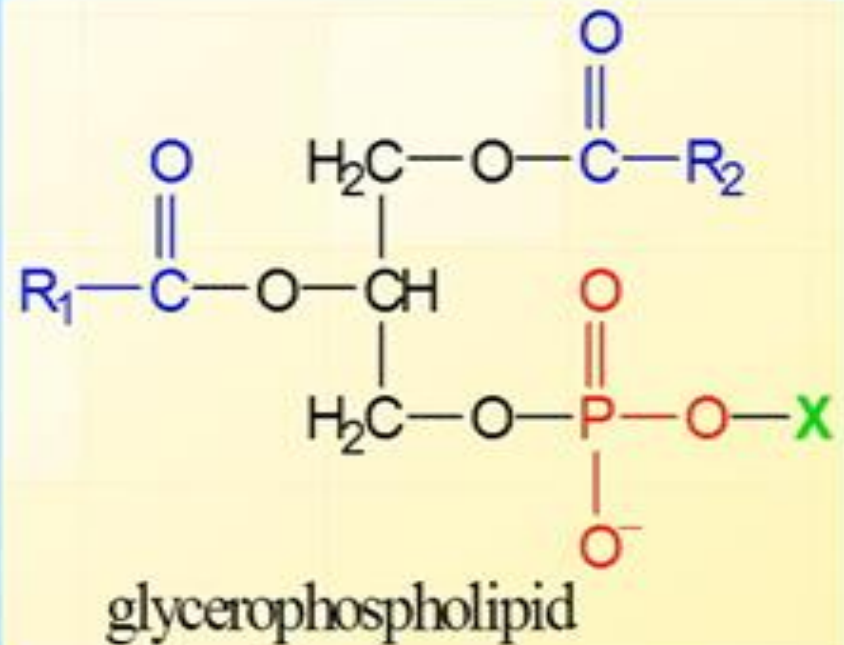


# II- complex lipids

## 1. Phospholipids. A. Glycerophospholipids :

Each glycerophospholipid includes

- ◆ **a polar region:**  
 $P_i$ , & the group (X) are polar head
- ◆ **non-polar** hydrocarbon tails of fatty acids ( $R_1$ ,  $R_2$ ).



**Amphipathic**

"kink" due to double bond



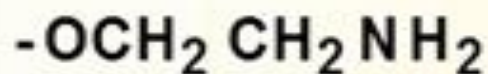
## II- complex lipids

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Name and Formula

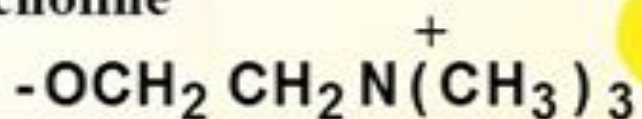
Name of Phospholipid

ethanolamine



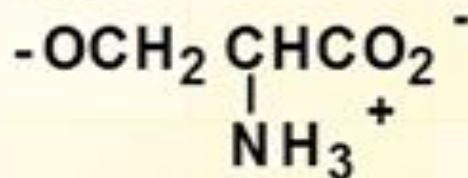
phosphatidylethanolamine  
(cephalin)

choline



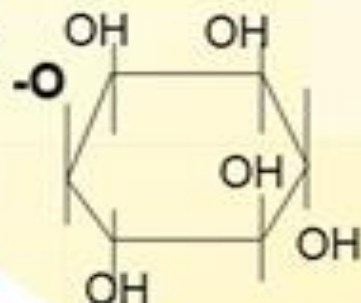
phosphatidylcholine  
(lecithin)

serine



phosphatidylserine

inositol



Phosphatidyl inositol

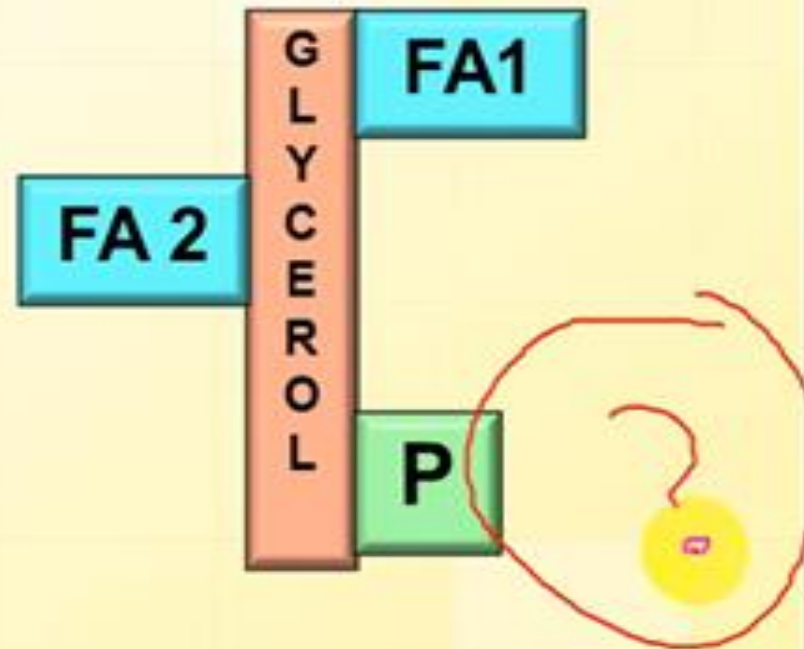
# II- complex lipids

## 1. Phospholipids. A. Glycerophospholipids

### Types of Glycerophospholipids

#### i. Phosphatidic acid:

- it is the **precursor** of all glycerophospholipids.
- It is present mainly as **intermediate** compound during the synthesis of phosphoglycerols and TG.
- It occurs in **very small amounts** in the cell.
- It has **no base**.



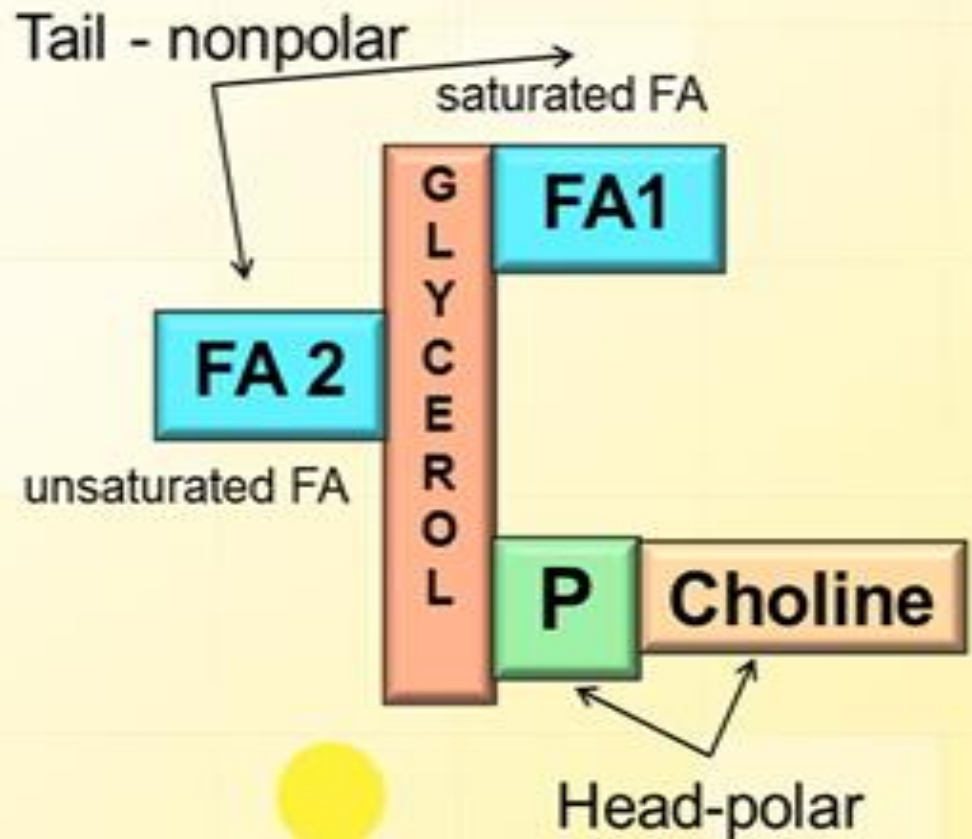
# II- complex lipids

## 1. Phospholipids. A. Glycerophospholipids :

### ii. Lecithin

#### (phosphatidyl choline):

- It is the **most abundant** phosphoglyceride in animals.
- The base here is **choline**.
- It is present in the animal's cell **membrane**.

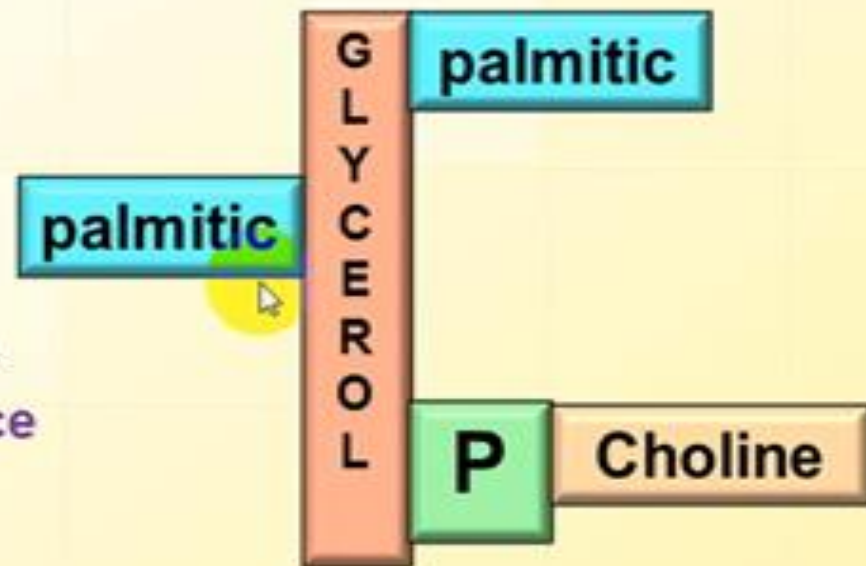


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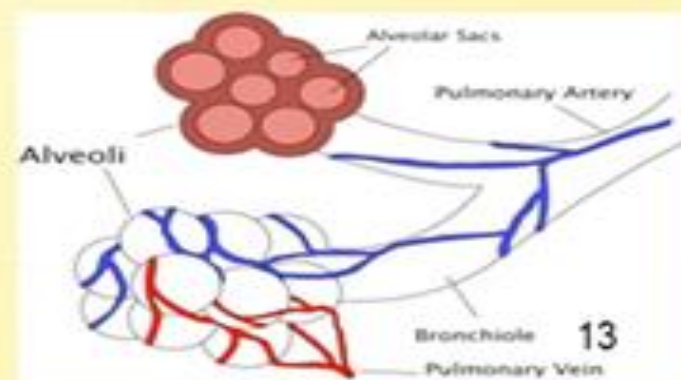
### Dipalmitoyl lecithin :

- in this phospholipid position 1,2 of glycerol are occupied by **palmitate**.
- This phospholipid is the major lipid components of **lung surfactants** (The extracellular fluid lining the alveoli).
- Surfactants serve to **decrease surface tension** of the fluid layer therefore prevent alveolar collapse.



### Infant respiratory distress syndrome:

- caused by lack of surfactant.
- commonly suffered by premature babies born before 28–32 weeks of gestation.



## II- complex lipids

### 1. Phospholipids. A. Glycerophospholipids :

#### iii. Cephalin (phosphatidyl ethanolamine):

- It is another abundant phosphoglycerides which is also found in animal cell membranes.
- The base is ethanolamine.
- Cephalin is one of the important blood clotting factors.

#### iv. Phosphatidyl Serine:

- It is cephalin-like and present in membranes and many tissues.

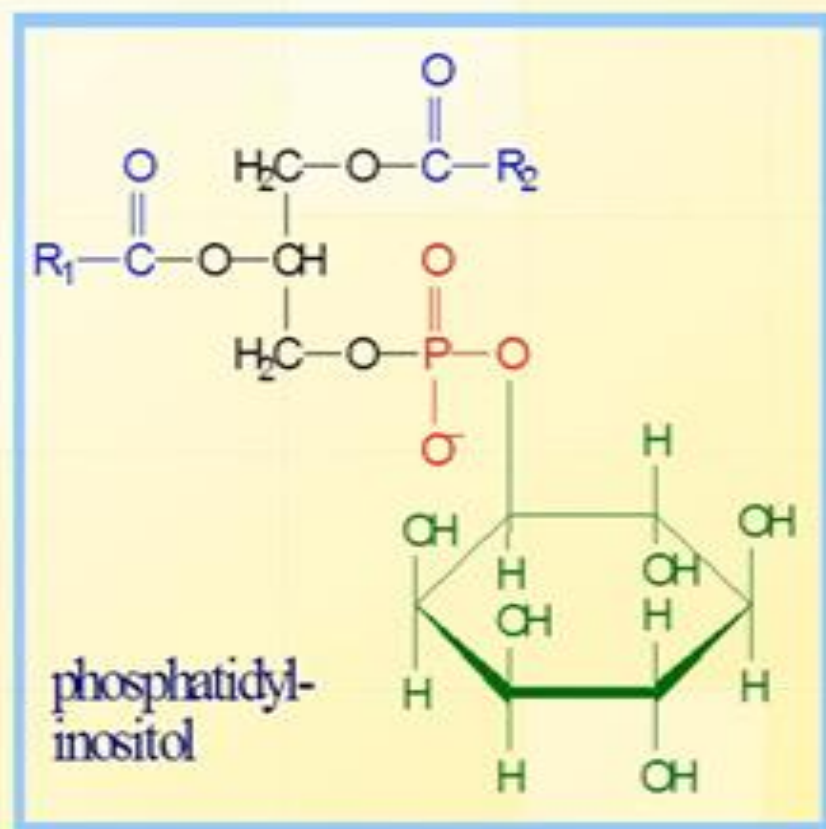


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### v. Lipositol (phosphatidyl inositol ):

- The polar head here is the cyclic hexose sugar alcohol **inositol** (myoinositol).
- In addition to being a **membrane lipid**, phosphatidylinositol has roles in **cell signaling**.



## II- complex lipids

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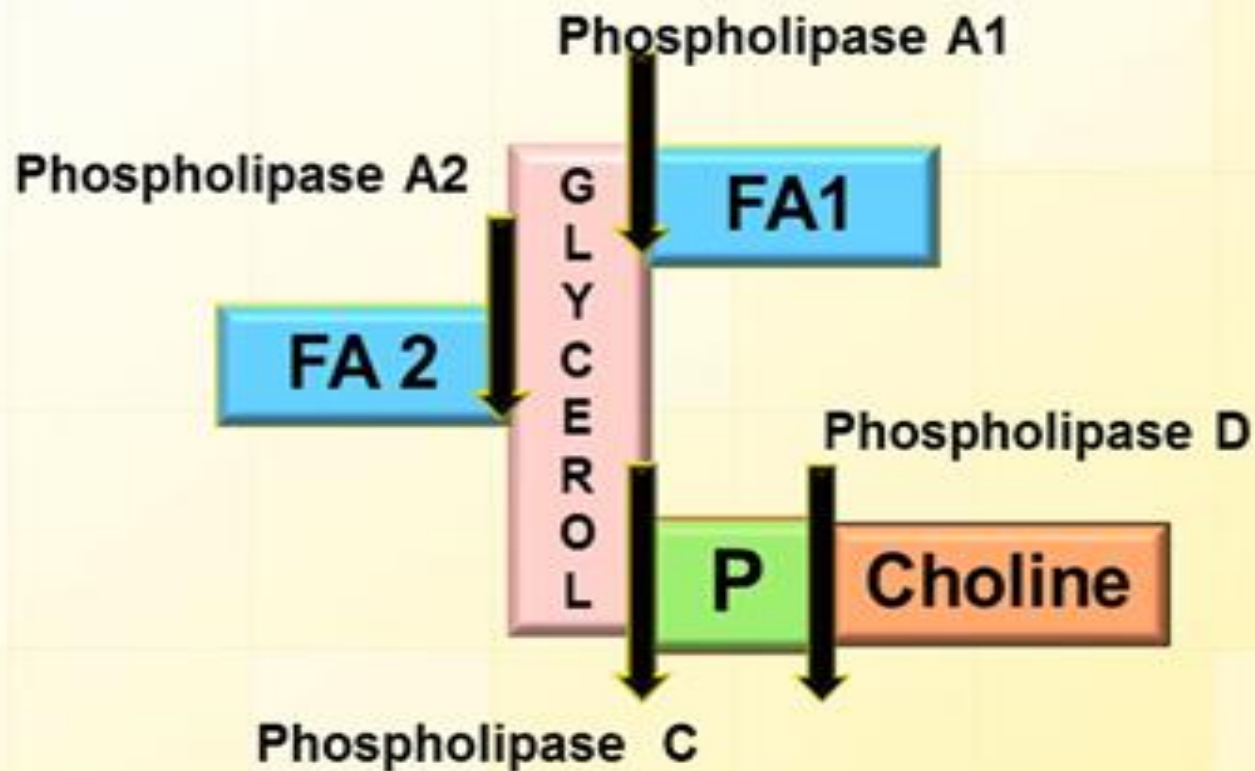
#### vi. Diphosphatidyl glycerol or Cardiolipin

- It is composed of **2 molecules** of phosphatidic acid attached to a glycerol molecule.
- Cardiolipin is present in large amounts in the **inner membrane of mitochondria**.



# Degradation of Phospholipids

## Phospholipases



# Lysolecithin

## Phospholipase A<sub>2</sub>

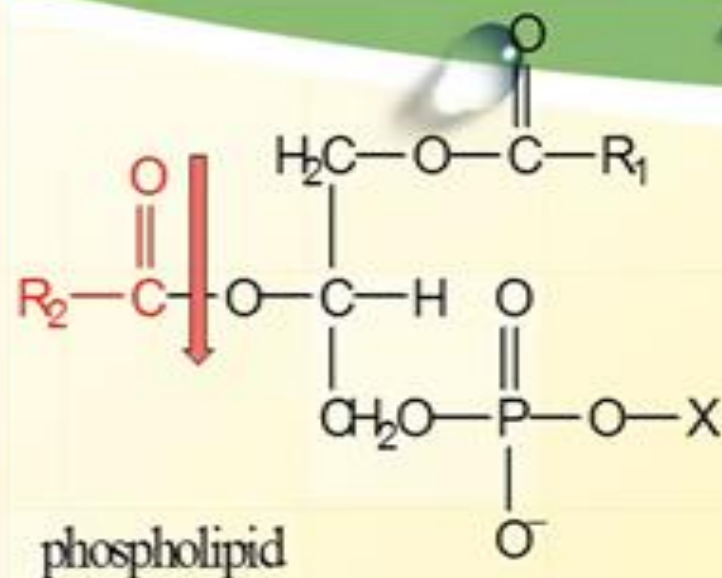
- is secreted by the **pancreas**.
- It hydrolyzes the **ester linkage** between the fatty acid & the hydroxyl on **C2** of phospholipids.

## Cobra venoms contain

Phospholipase A<sub>2</sub>. These venoms, injected into the blood, produce lysophospholipids that:

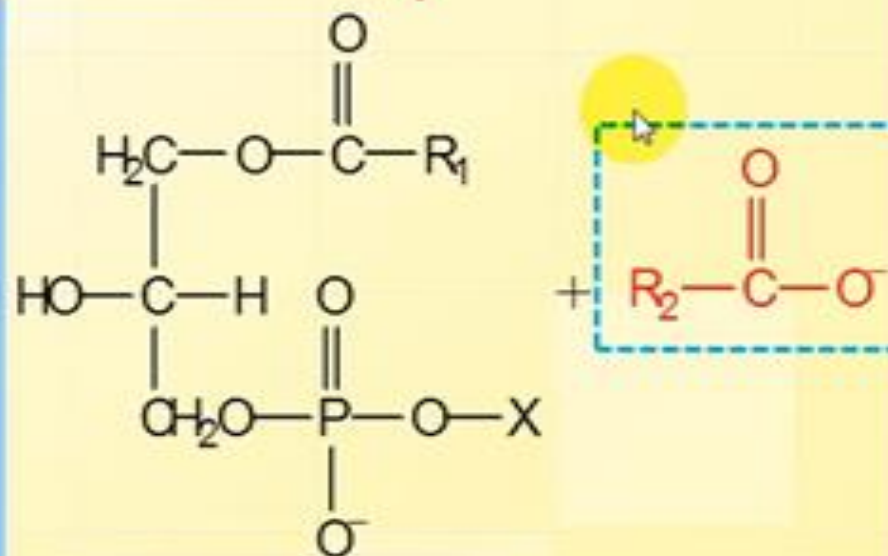
- *disrupt cell membranes*
- *lyse blood cells*
- *neurotoxic effect* (degeneration of the nerve terminal and skeletal muscle).

*Thank you  
Good Luck*



phospholipid

Phospholipase A<sub>2</sub>



Lysophospholipid

fatty acid

«إن الله يحب إذا  
عمل أحدكم عملاً  
أن يتقنه»

حديث شريف



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