

## Biological Functions of Lipids:

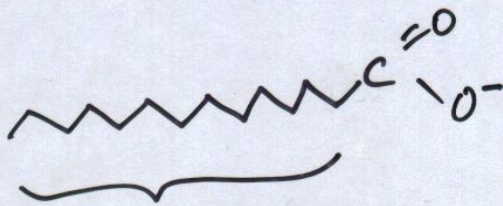
- (1) storage of energy
- (2) structural elements of biological membranes
- (3) signals, cofactors, and pigments  
hormones, ... 等等

**Storage Lipids** (包含 fats and oils)

fats and oils are derivatives of

fatty acids.

Structure =



Hydrocarbon

chain (4 to 36 carbons)

see Table 10.1 for the nomenclature

## Fatty acids

Hydrocarbon chain 愈長  
double bond 愈少  
Melting point 愈高

table 10-1

Some Naturally Occurring Fatty Acids

Carbon skeleton	Structure*	Systematic name <sup>†</sup>	Common name (derivation)	Melting point (°C)	Solubility at 30 °C (mg/g solvent)	
					Water	Benzene
12:0	CH <sub>3</sub> (CH <sub>2</sub> ) <sub>10</sub> COOH	<i>n</i> -Dodecanoic acid	Lauric acid (Latin <i>laurus</i> , "laurel plant")	44.2	0.063	2,600
14:0	CH <sub>3</sub> (CH <sub>2</sub> ) <sub>12</sub> COOH	<i>n</i> -Tetradecanoic acid	Myristic acid (Latin <i>Myristica</i> , nutmeg genus)	53.9	0.024	874
16:0	CH <sub>3</sub> (CH <sub>2</sub> ) <sub>14</sub> COOH	<i>n</i> -Hexadecanoic acid	Palmitic acid (Latin <i>palma</i> , "palm tree")	63.1	0.0083	348
18:0	CH <sub>3</sub> (CH <sub>2</sub> ) <sub>16</sub> COOH	<i>n</i> -Octadecanoic acid	Stearic acid (Greek <i>stear</i> , "hard fat")	69.6	0.0034	124
20:0	CH <sub>3</sub> (CH <sub>2</sub> ) <sub>18</sub> COOH	<i>n</i> -Eicosanoic acid	Arachidic acid (Latin <i>Arachis</i> , legume genus)	76.5		
24:0	CH <sub>3</sub> (CH <sub>2</sub> ) <sub>22</sub> COOH	<i>n</i> -Tetracosanoic acid	Lignoceric acid (Latin <i>lignum</i> , "wood" + <i>cera</i> , "wax")	86.0		
16:1(Δ <sup>9</sup> )	CH <sub>3</sub> (CH <sub>2</sub> ) <sub>5</sub> CH=CH(CH <sub>2</sub> ) <sub>7</sub> COOH	<i>cis</i> -9-Hexadecenoic acid	Palmitoleic acid	-0.5		
18:1(Δ <sup>9</sup> )	CH <sub>3</sub> (CH <sub>2</sub> ) <sub>7</sub> CH=CH(CH <sub>2</sub> ) <sub>7</sub> COOH	<i>cis</i> -9-Octadecenoic acid	Oleic acid (Latin <i>oleum</i> , "oil")	13.4		
18:2(Δ <sup>9,12</sup> )	CH <sub>3</sub> (CH <sub>2</sub> ) <sub>4</sub> CH=CHCH <sub>2</sub> CH=CH(CH <sub>2</sub> ) <sub>7</sub> COOH	<i>cis</i> -, <i>cis</i> -9,12-Octadecadienoic acid	Linoleic acid (Greek <i>linon</i> , "flax")	-5		
18:3(Δ <sup>9,12,15</sup> )	CH <sub>3</sub> CH <sub>2</sub> CH=CHCH <sub>2</sub> CH=CHCH <sub>2</sub> CH=CH(CH <sub>2</sub> ) <sub>3</sub> COOH	<i>cis</i> -, <i>cis</i> -, <i>cis</i> -9,12,15-Octadecatrienoic acid	α-Linolenic acid	-11		
20:4(Δ <sup>5,8,11,14</sup> )	CH <sub>3</sub> (CH <sub>2</sub> ) <sub>4</sub> CH=CHCH <sub>2</sub> CH=CHCH <sub>2</sub> CH=CHCH <sub>2</sub> CH=CH(CH <sub>2</sub> ) <sub>3</sub> COOH	<i>cis</i> -, <i>cis</i> -, <i>cis</i> -, <i>cis</i> -5,8,11,14-Icosatetraenoic acid	Arachidonic acid	-49.5		

\*All acids are shown in their nonionized form. At pH 7, all free fatty acids have an ionized carboxylate. Note that numbering of carbon atoms begins at the carboxyl carbon.

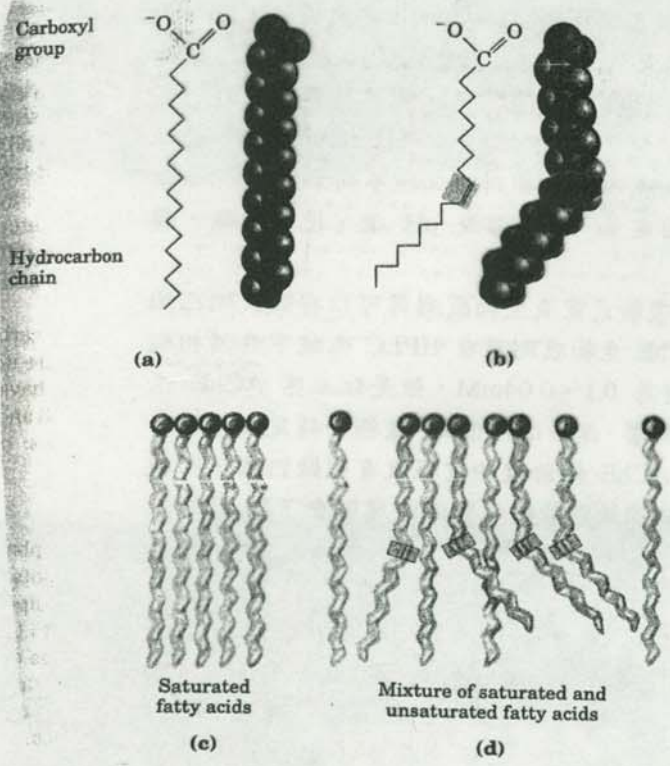
<sup>†</sup>The prefix *n*- indicates the "normal" unbranched structure. For instance, "dodecanoic" simply indicates 12 carbon atoms, which could be arranged in a variety of branched forms; "*n*-dodecanoic" specifies the linear, unbranched form. For unsaturated fatty acids, the configuration of each double bond is indicated; in biological fatty acids the configuration is almost always *cis*.

e.g. palmitic acid

① 16:0 ←  
↑  
# of carbons: # of double bonds

② 20:2 ( Δ<sup>9,12</sup> )

同上 2个 double bond 的位置在 C9, 以及 C12

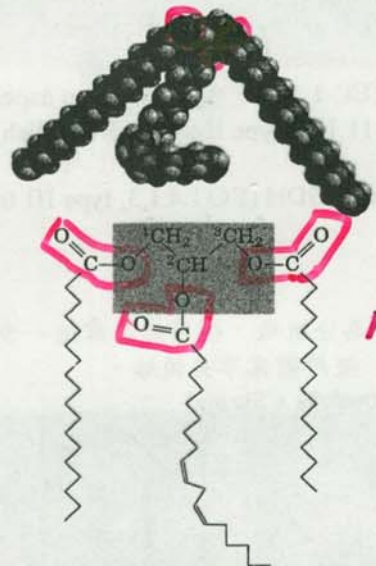
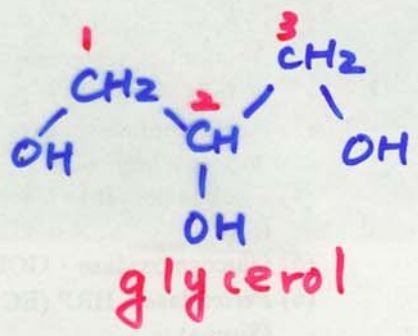
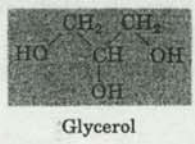


**figure 10-1**  
The packing of fatty acids into stable aggregates. The extent of packing depends on the degree of saturation. (a) Two representations of the fully saturated acid stearic acid (stearate at pH 7) in its usual extended conformation. Each line segment of the zig-zag represents a single bond between adjacent carbons. (b) The cis double bond (shaded) in oleic acid (oleate) does not permit rotation and introduces a rigid bend in the hydrocarbon tail. All other bonds in the chain are free to rotate. (c) Fully saturated fatty acids in the extended form pack into nearly crystalline arrays, stabilized by many hydrophobic interactions. (d) The presence of one or more cis double bonds interferes with this tight packing and results in less stable aggregates.

# Triacyl glycerols Are Fatty Acid Esters of Glycerol

simplest lipids constructed from fatty Acids

Structure:



1-Stearoyl, 2-linoleoyl, 3-palmitoyl glycerol, a mixed triacylglycerol

+ fatty acid

↓  
triacylglycerols  
(形成 ester linkage)

figure 10-2  
Glycerol and a triacylglycerol. The mixed triacylglycerol shown here has three different fatty acids attached to the glycerol backbone. When glycerol has two different fatty acids at C-1 and C-3, the C-2 is a chiral center (p. 59).

triacylglycerols (or triglycerides, fats, or neutral fats)

Triacylglycerols Provide stored Energy and Insulation

see Fig 10-3 (a) guinea pig adipocytes (脂肪细胞)

(b) 植物种子内细胞

皆储存 "fat droplets" lipases hydrolysis of stored fats

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Triacylglycerols Provide Stored Energy and Insulation

Using triacylglycerols as stored fuels :

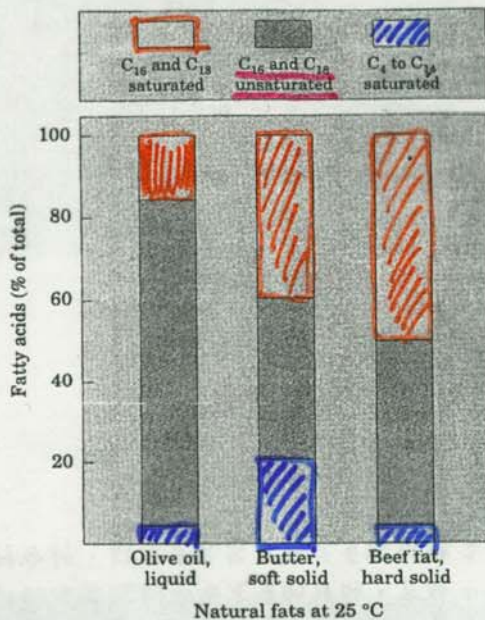
- (1) 產生 more energy / gram than poly saccharides
- (2) 不需攜帶 hydration water when transfer (  $2 \text{ g}^{\text{H}_2\text{O}} / \text{g}$  polysaccharides bound)

Triacylglycerols stored under skin can serve as "insulator" in addition to energy storage.

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# Many Foods Contain Triacylglycerols

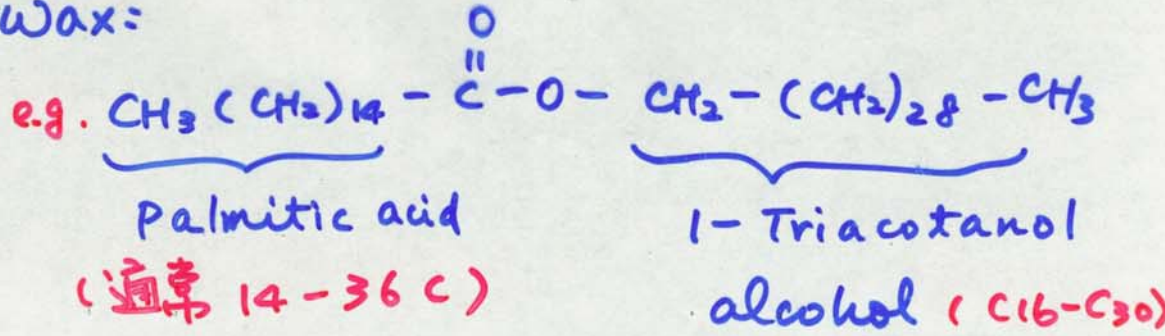
vegetable oils, dairy products, animal fat are composed of triacylglycerols



**figure 11-4**  
**Fatty acid composition of three food fats.** Olive oil, butter, and beef fat consist of mixtures of triacylglycerols, differing in their fatty acid composition. The melting points of these fats—and hence their physical state at room temperature (25 °C)—are a direct function of their fatty acid composition. Olive oil has a high proportion of long-chain (C<sub>16</sub> and C<sub>18</sub>) unsaturated fatty acids, which accounts for its liquid state at 25 °C. The higher proportion of long-chain (C<sub>16</sub> and C<sub>18</sub>) saturated fatty acids in butter increases its melting point, so butter is a soft solid at room temperature. Beef fat, with an even higher proportion of long-chain saturated fatty acids, is a hard solid.

## Waxes Serve as Energy Stores and Water Repellents

Wax:



# Structural Lipids in Membranes

Double layers of lipids ← biological membrane

5 storage lipids 比较:

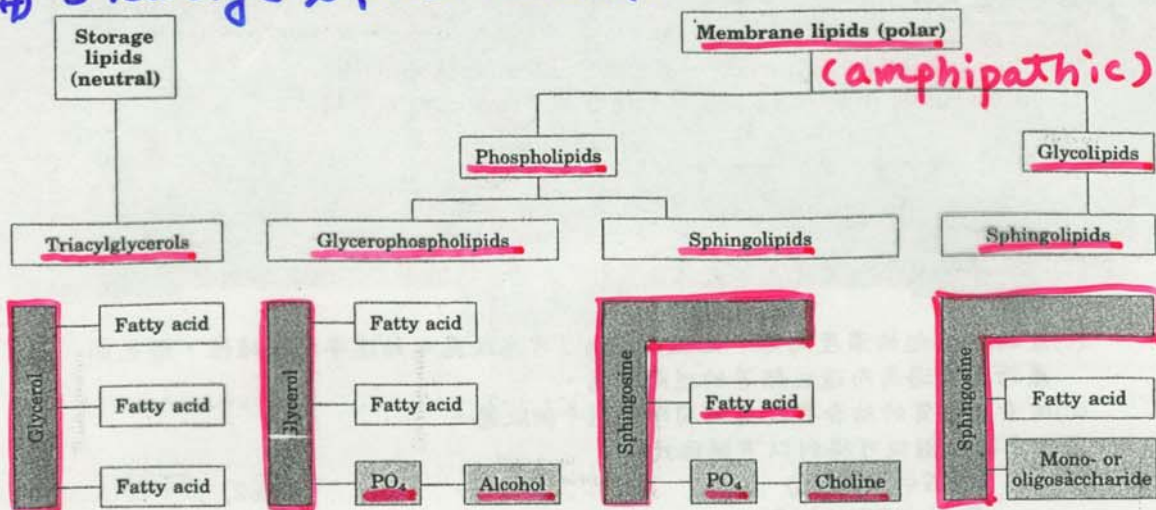


figure 11-6  
The principal classes of storage and membrane lipids. All the lipids shown here have either glycerol or sphingosine as the backbone. A third class of membrane lipids, the sterols, is described later (see Fig. 11-14).

Membrane lipids:

(1) phospholipids

(2) glycolipids

glycero phospho lipids  
sphingo lipids

- sphingo lipids

Glycerophospholipids:

Derivatives of

Glycerol-3-phosphate

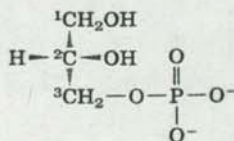
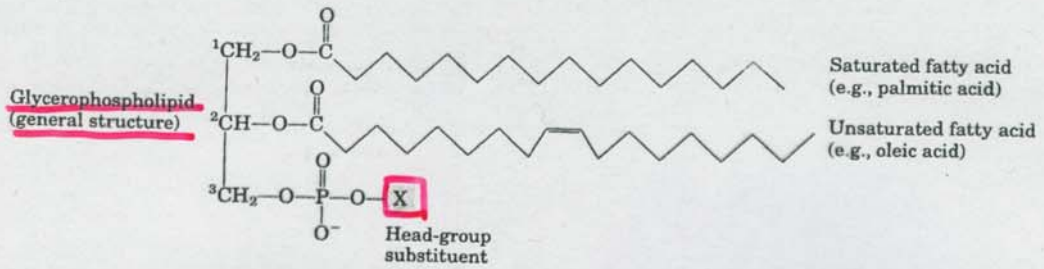


figure 11-7  
L-Glycerol 3-phosphate, the backbone of phospholipids.  
Note that this compound can also be called D-glycerol 1-phosphate.



Name of glycerophospholipid	Name of X	Formula of X	Net charge (at pH 7)
<u>Phosphatidic acid</u>	—	— H	-1
<u>Phosphatidylethanolamine</u>	<u>Ethanolamine</u>	— CH <sub>2</sub> —CH <sub>2</sub> —NH <sub>3</sub> <sup>+</sup>	0
<u>Phosphatidylcholine</u>	<u>Choline</u>	— CH <sub>2</sub> —CH <sub>2</sub> —N <sup>+</sup> (CH <sub>3</sub> ) <sub>3</sub>	0
Phosphatidylserine	Serine	— CH <sub>2</sub> —CH(NH <sub>3</sub> <sup>+</sup> )   COO <sup>-</sup>	-1
Phosphatidylglycerol	Glycerol	— CH <sub>2</sub> —CH(OH)—CH <sub>2</sub> —OH	-1
<u>Phosphatidylinositol 4,5-bisphosphate</u>	<i>myo</i> -Inositol 4,5-bisphosphate		-4
Cardiolipin	Phosphatidyl-glycerol	— CH <sub>2</sub> —   CHOH —   CH <sub>2</sub> —O—P(=O)(O <sup>-</sup> )—O—CH <sub>2</sub> —   CH—O—C(=O)—R <sup>1</sup>   CH <sub>2</sub> —O—C(=O)—R <sup>2</sup>	-2

figure 11-8  
Glycerophospholipids. The common glycerophospholipids are diacylglycerols linked to head-group alcohols through a phosphodiester bond. Phosphatidic acid, a phosphomonoester, is the parent compound. Each deriva-

tive is named for the head-group alcohol (X), with the prefix "phosphatidyl-." In cardiolipin, two phosphatidic acids share a single glycerol.

除了 phosphatidylethanolamine 不帶電外  
 phosphatidyl choline  
 其餘的 glycerophospholipid 皆帶電



# Some Phospholipids Have Ether-Linked Fatty Acids

e.g. plasmalogen :

ether-linked alkene (在 C1 and C2 间有 double bond)  
 (about 50% heart phospholipids 是 plasmalogen)

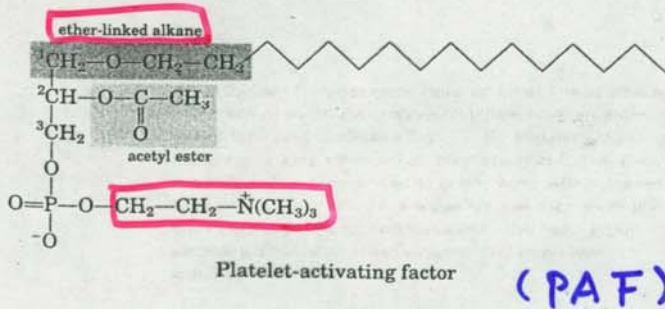
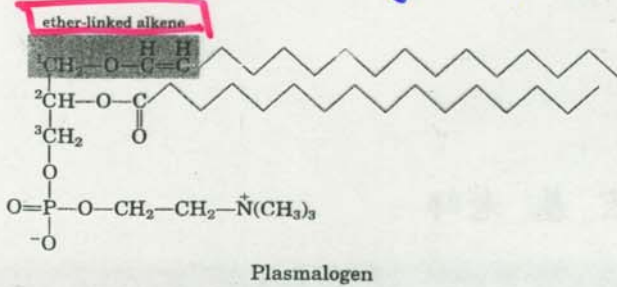


figure 11-9

**Ether lipids.** Plasmalogens have an ether-linked alkenyl chain where most glycerophospholipids have an ester-linked fatty acid (compare Fig. 11-8). Platelet-activating factor has a long ether-linked alkyl chain at C-1 of glycerol, but C-2 is ester-linked to acetic acid, which makes the compound much more water-soluble than most glycerophospholipids and plasmalogens. The head-group alcohol is choline in plasmalogens and in platelet-activating factor.

Platelet-activating factor released from leukocytes (白血球)

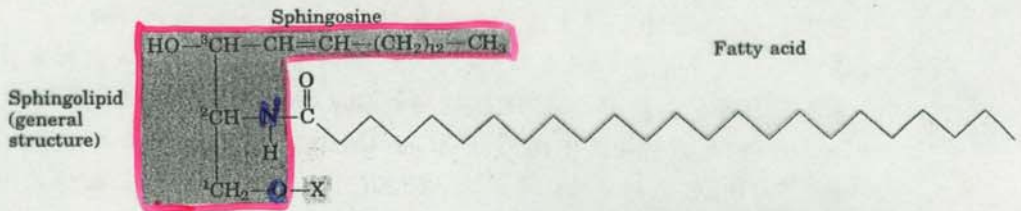
↓ stimulates platelet aggregation

release of serotonin from platelet (血清素, 一种血管收缩剂)

↓ smooth muscle, heart, ... 都会有反应

# Sphingolipids Are Derivatives of Sphingosines

神經鞘脂類



存在於神經細胞膜

glycosphingolipids

Name of sphingolipid	Name of X	Formula of X
Ceramide 神經醯胺	—	—H
Sphingomyelin	Phosphocholine phosphoethanolamine	
Neutral glycolipids: Glucosylcerebroside	Glucose	
Lactosylceramide (a globoside)	Di-, tri-, or tetrasaccharide	
Ganglioside GM2 神經節苷脂	Complex oligosaccharide	

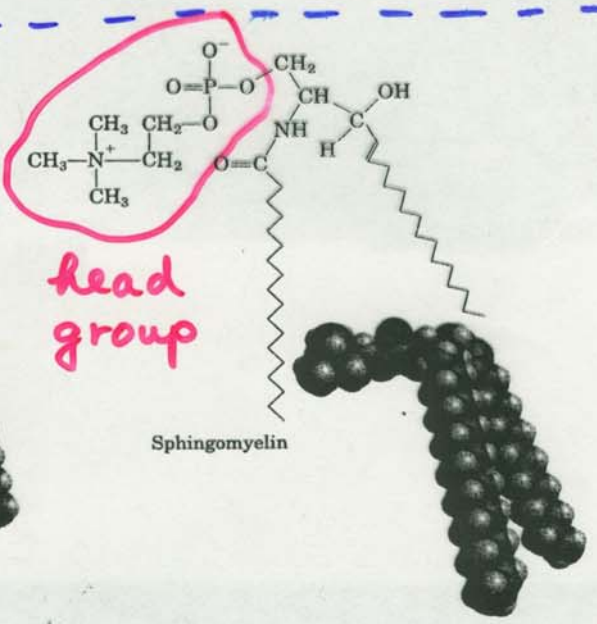
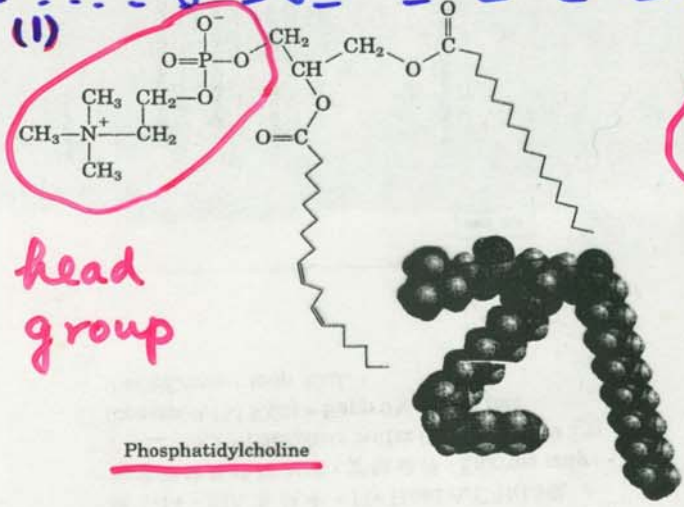
figure 11-10-12  
Sphingolipids. The first three carbons at the polar end of sphingosine are analogous to the three carbons of glycerol in glycerophospholipids. The amino group at C-2 bears a fatty acid in amide linkage. The fatty acid is usually saturated or monounsaturated, with 16, 18, 22, or 24 carbon atoms. Ceramide is the parent compound for this group. Other sphingolipids differ in the polar head group (X) attached at C-1. Gangliosides have very complex oligosaccharide head groups. Standard abbreviations for sugars are used in this figure: Glc, D-glucose; Gal, D-galactose; GalNAc, N-acetyl-D-galactosamine; Neu5Ac, N-acetylneuraminic acid (sialic acid).

sphingolipids composed:

- ① a long-chain amino alcohol sphingosine
- ② a long-chain fatty acid
- ③ a polar head group that is joined by a glycosidic or phosphodiester linkage

There are three subclasses of sphingolipids:

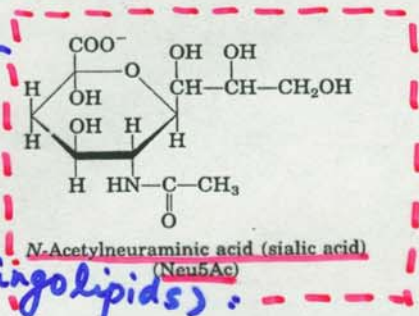
- (1) Sphingomyelins
- (2) neutral (uncharged) glycolipids
- (3) gangliosides



sphingomyelins contain phosphocholine or phosphoethanolamine } head group → no net charge

figure 10-13 The similarities in shape and in molecular structure of phosphatidylcholine (a glycerophospholipid) and sphingomyelin (a sphingolipid) are clear when their space-filling and structural formulas are drawn as here.

(structurally similar to phosphatidylcholine)



- (2) glycolipids (or glycosphingolipids):
  - largely occur in the out face of plasma membrane
  - contain one or more sugars (connected to C1 of ceramide moiety), no phosphate
- (3) gangliosides: contain oligosaccharides and one or more N-acetylneuraminic acid ↑

# 11-12 Sphingolipids at cell surfaces are sites of Biological Recognition

- More than 60 different sphingolipids found in human, only a few sphingolipids has a specific function been discovered.

e.g. The carbohydrate moieties of certain sphingolipids define the human blood groups.

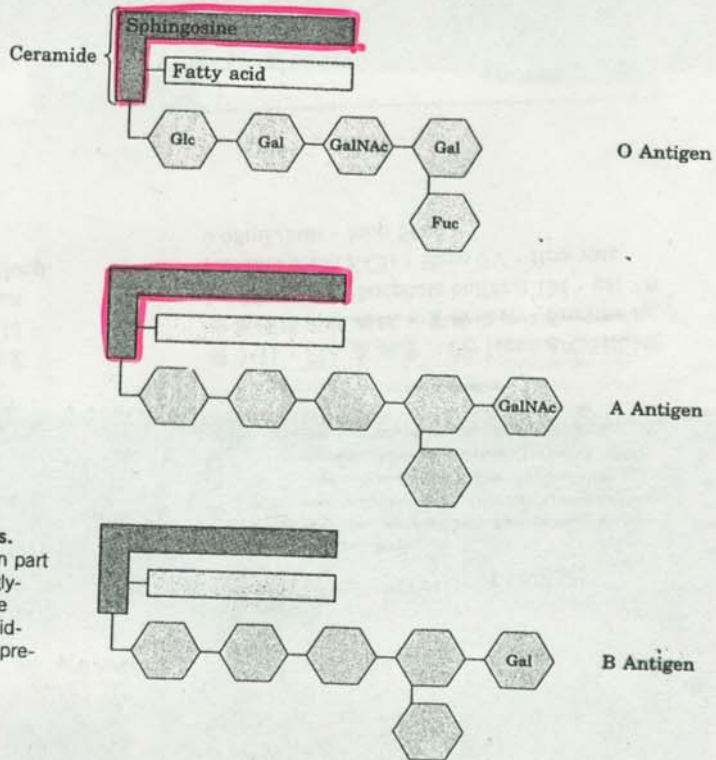


figure 10-14

**Glycosphingolipids as determinants of blood groups.**  
The human blood groups (O, A, B) are determined in part by the oligosaccharide head groups (blue) of these glycosphingolipids. The same three oligosaccharides are also found attached to certain blood proteins of individuals of blood types O, A, and B, respectively. (Fuc represents the sugar fucose.)

gangliosides :

The kinds and amounts of gangliosides in plasma membrane change dramatically w/ embryonic development.

Some cultured neuronal tumor cells induce some specific gangliosides.

↓  
reasons unknown

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# Phospholipids and Sphingolipids Are Degraded in Lysosomes

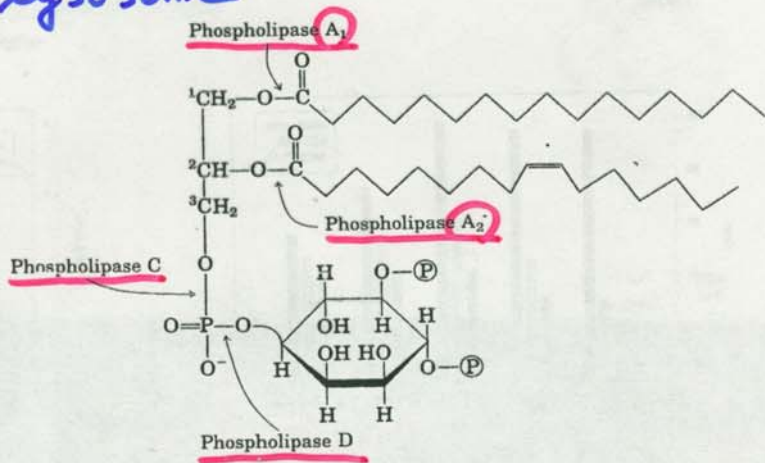
Membrane lipids are continually degraded and replaced.

Each hydrolyzable bond in glycerophospholipids  
→ there is a specific hydrolytic enzyme in the lysosome

e.g. :

Figure 11-13 10-15

The specificities of phospholipases. Phospholipases  $A_1$  and  $A_2$  hydrolyze the ester bonds of intact glycerophospholipids at C-1 and C-2 of glycerol, respectively. Phospholipases C and D each split one of the phosphodiester bonds in the head group. Some phospholipases act on only one type of glycerophospholipid, such as phosphatidylinositol 4,5-bisphosphate (shown here) or phosphatidylcholine; others are less specific. When one of the fatty acids has been removed by a type A phospholipase, the second fatty acid is cleaved from the molecule by a lysophospholipase (not shown).

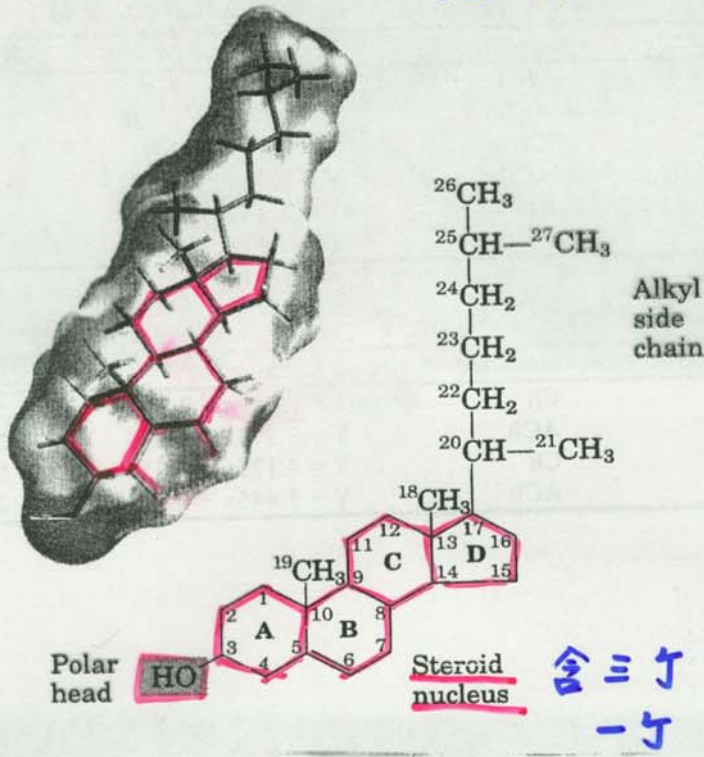


## gangliosides

↓ by a series of lysosomal enzymes  
removal of sugar units, yielding a ceramide

A genetic defect in any of these hydrolytic enzymes lead to the accumulation of gangliosides in the cells, w/ severe medical consequences

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 Sterols Have Four Fused Carbon Rings  
 固醇 Structural lipids present in most eukaryotic cells.



cholesterol (胆固醇)

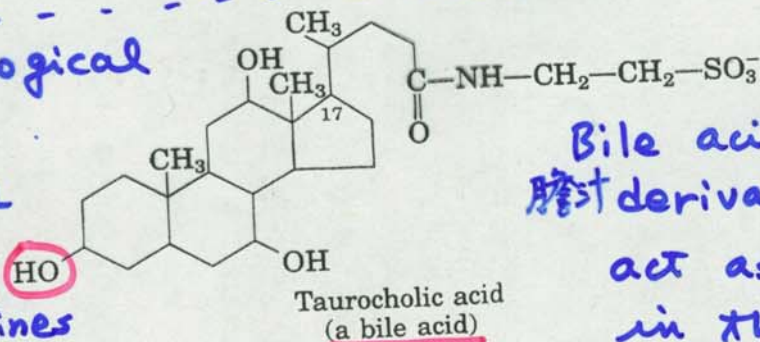
major sterol in animal tissue  
 amphipathic:  
 polar head OH  
 nonpolar hydrocarbon tail

figure 10-16

**Cholesterol.** The stick structure of cholesterol is visible through a transparent surface contour model of the molecule. In the chemical structure, the rings are labeled A through D to simplify reference to derivatives of the steroid nucleus and the carbon atoms are numbered in blue. The hydroxyl group on C-3 (red in both representations) represents the polar head group. For storage and transport of the sterol, this hydroxyl group condenses with a fatty acid to form a sterol ester.

Other biological funcs:

1. Hormone
2. detergent in intestines



Bile acids: polar derivatives of cholesterol

act as detergents in the intestine  
 ↓  
 emulsifying dietary fats  
 ↓  
 more accessible for lipase

# Lipids as Signals, Cofactors, and Pigments 1415

Lipids:

- (1) storage & structural lipids  
e.g. adipocyte 內 80% 以上 為 lipids  
membrane 內 5-10% 為 lipids
- (2) metabolic traffic (as metabolites and messengers)  
e.g. Hormones  
enzyme cofactors
- (3) Pigment molecules:  
lipids w/ a system of conjugated double bonds  
absorbs light  
e.g. light-capturing pigments in vision and photosynthesis  
natural colorations (如南瓜、紫蘿藦的顏色)

# Phosphatidylinositols Act as Intracellular Signals

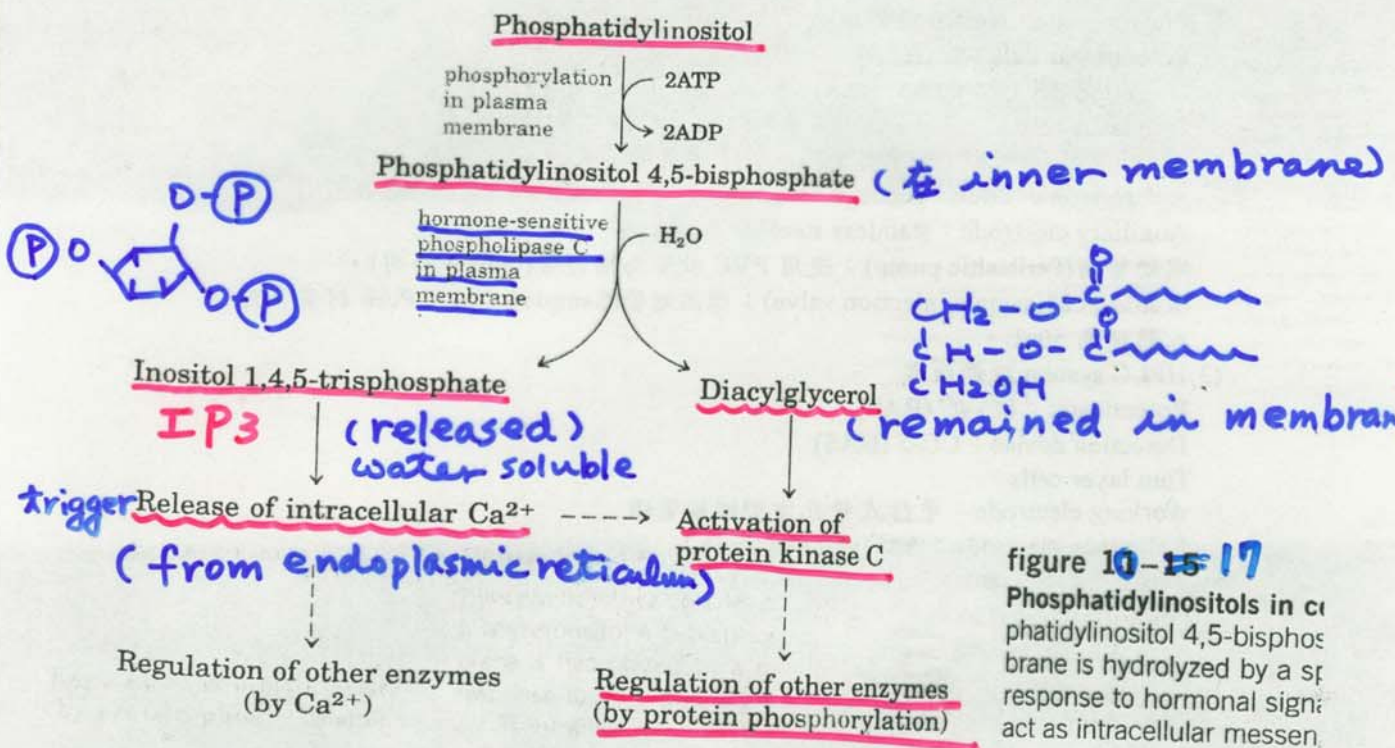


figure 10-15 17  
 Phosphatidylinositols in cell membrane is hydrolyzed by a specific response to hormonal signals act as intracellular messengers.



# Eicosanoids Carry Messages to Nearby Cells a-17

20 的羧基 類花生酸

↓  
arachidonic acid 的 derivative

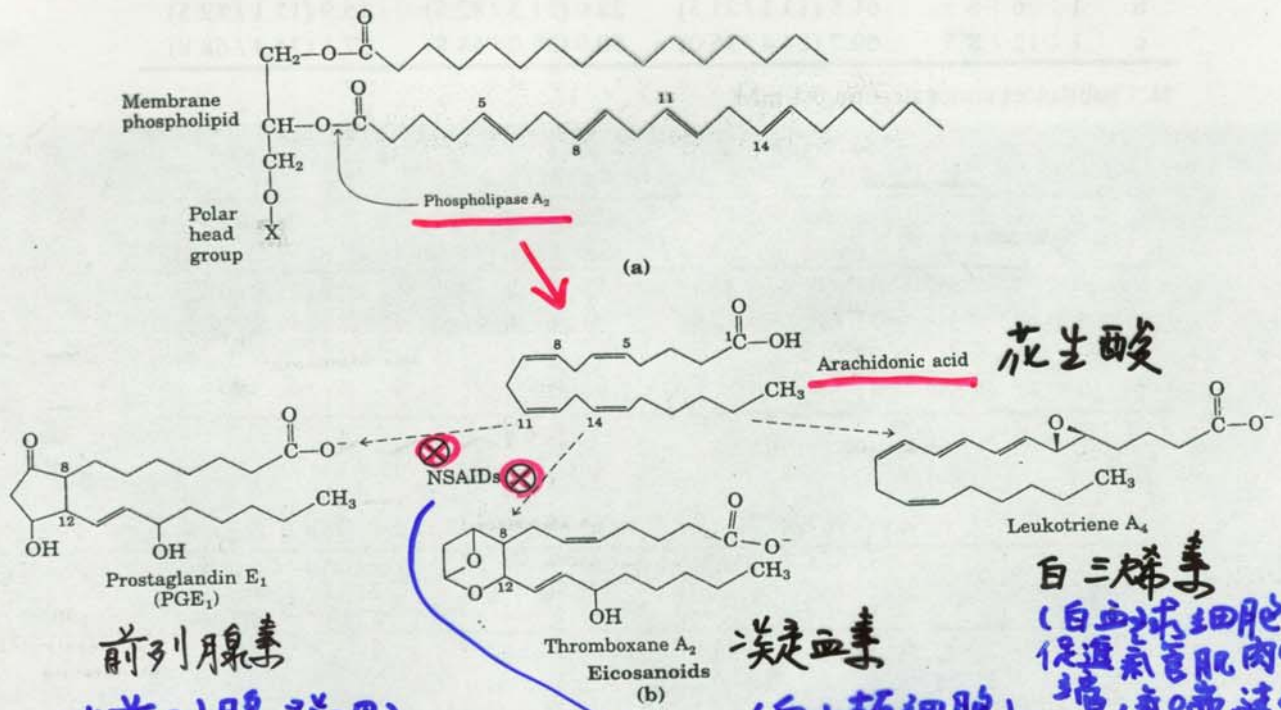
20:  $\Delta$  ( $\Delta$  5,8,11,14)

1. paracrine hormone (作用在附近的 cells)
2. 与 inflammation, fever, pain ... 等 processes 的 signal 有關

figure 14-16 10-18

## Arachidonic acid and some eicosanoid derivatives.

(a) In response to hormonal signals, phospholipase  $A_2$  cleaves arachidonic acid-containing membrane phospholipids to release arachidonic acid (arachidonate at pH 7), the precursor to various eicosanoids. (b) These include prostaglandins such as  $PGE_1$ , in which C-8 and C-12 of arachidonate are joined to form the characteristic five-membered ring. In thromboxane  $A_2$ , the C-8 and C-12 are joined and an oxygen atom is added to form the six-membered ring. Leukotriene  $A_4$  has a series of three conjugated double bonds. Nonsteroidal antiinflammatory drugs (NSAIDs) such as aspirin, acetaminophen, and ibuprofen block the formation of prostaglandins and thromboxanes from arachidonate by inhibiting the enzyme cyclooxygenase (prostaglandin  $H_2$  synthase).



前列腺素  
(在前列腺发现)  
促进肌肉收缩 (如生痒时)  
体温升高  
疼痛

凝血素 (血小板细胞)  
促进凝血, 升高血压  
白三烯素 (白血球细胞)  
促进气管肌肉收缩, 痰多, 鼻塞, 过敏

如 Aspirin, 普拿疼  
抑制 prostaglandin  $H_2$  synthase  
抑制 cyclooxygenase

# Steroid Hormones Carry Messages between Tissues

steroid 是 sterol 的衍生物 (但没有 aliphatic chain attached to ring D)  
 (類固醇)  
 ∴ 易溶於水

↓  
 隨血液傳至 target tissues (可傳至非專選)

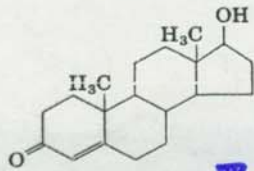
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 進入細胞

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 binds to receptor in nucleus

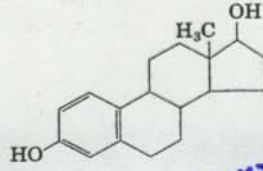
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 trigger gene expression & metabolism

figure 11-17

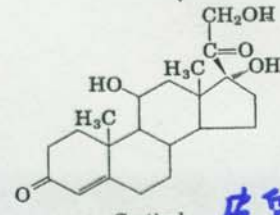
Steroids derived from cholesterol. Testosterone, the male sex hormone, is produced in the testes. Estradiol, one of the female sex hormones, is produced in the ovaries and placenta. Cortisol and aldosterone are hormones synthesized in the cortex of the adrenal gland; they regulate glucose metabolism and salt excretion, respectively. Prednisolone and prednisone are steroid drugs used as antiinflammatory agents.



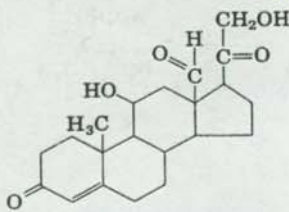
Testosterone 睪固酮



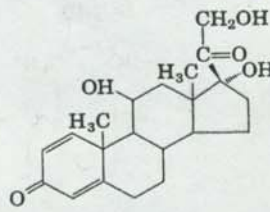
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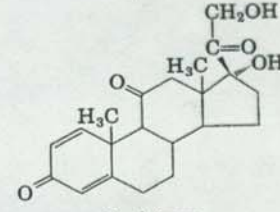
Cortisol 皮質酮



Aldosterone 醛固酮



Prednisolone



Prednisone

類固醇類 抗發炎藥

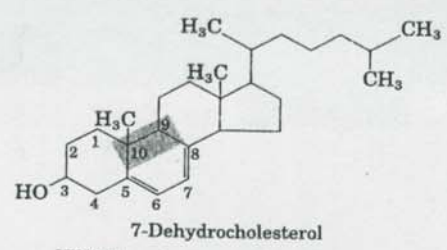
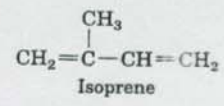
Steroid drug

(inhibit phospholipase A2  
 ∴ inhibit arachidonic acid production)

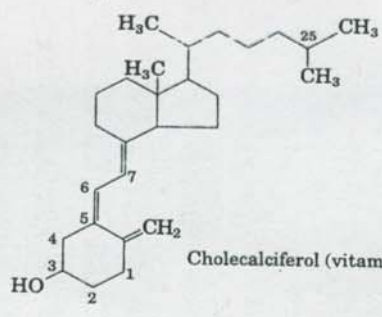
# Vitamins A and D Are Hormone Precursors

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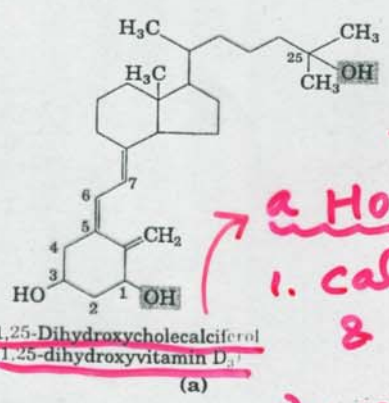
生活必需但必須仰賴食物



UV light  
↓  
2 steps (in skin)



↓  
1 step in the liver  
↓  
1 step in the kidney



在 skin 合成  
(∴ need UV light)

並無 Biological activity  
必須經過 liver & kidney

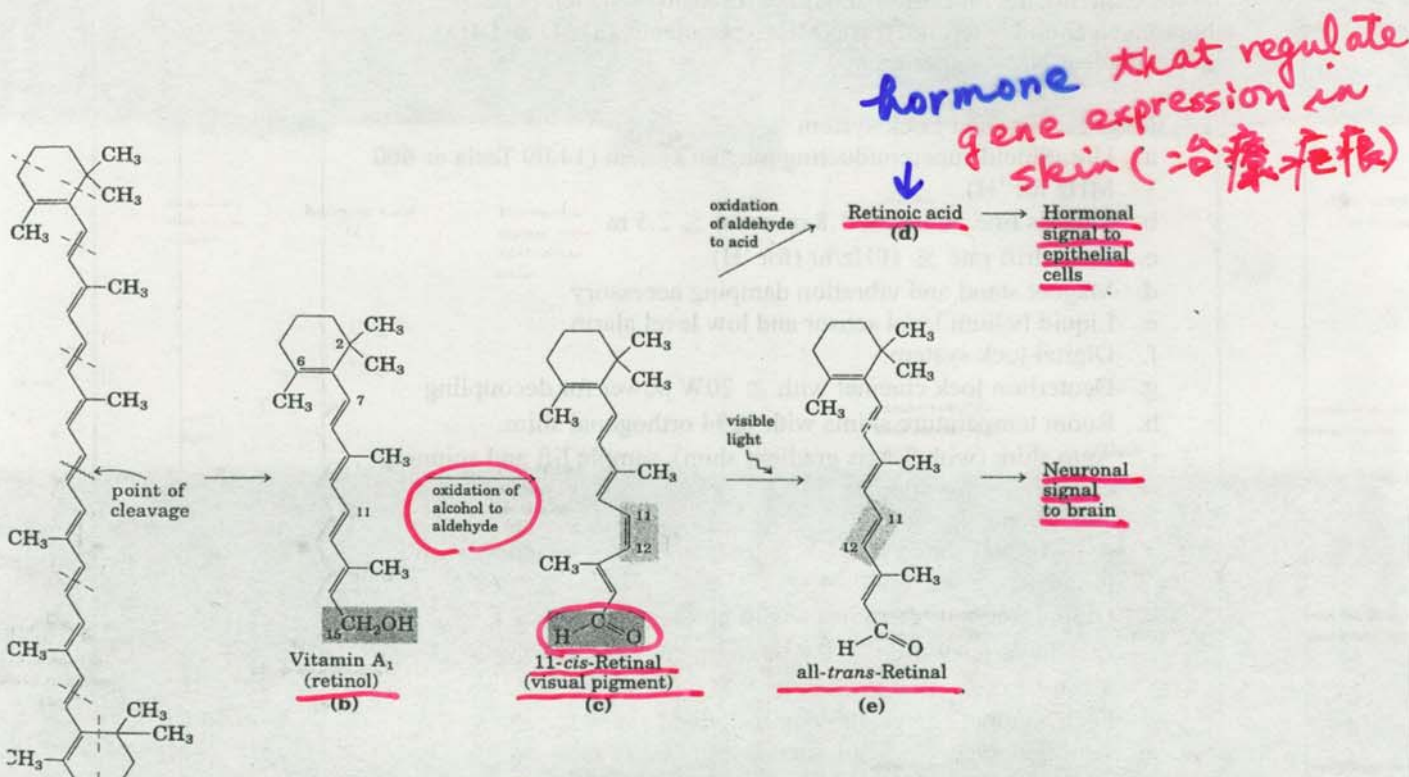
酶素反應  
變成 1,25-dihydroxyvitamin D<sub>3</sub>

- a Hormone regulates
1. calcium levels in bone & kidney
  2. calcium uptake in intestines.

缺乏 → 佝僂症

regulates gene expression  
↓  
Turning on the synthesis of an intestinal Ca<sup>2+</sup>-binding protein

# Vitamin A (retinol 視黃醇)

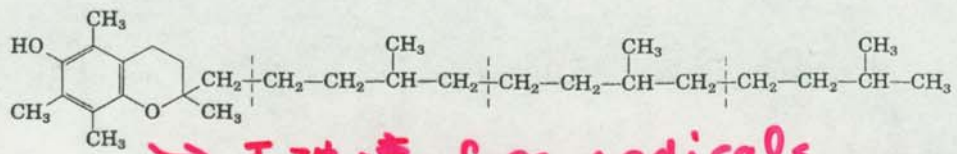


**figure 11-19**  
**Vitamin A<sub>1</sub>, its precursor, and derivatives.** (a)  $\beta$ -Carotene is the precursor of vitamin A<sub>1</sub>. Isoprene structural units are set off by dashed red lines. Cleavage of  $\beta$ -carotene yields two molecules of vitamin A<sub>1</sub> (retinol) (b). Oxidation at C-15 converts retinol to the aldehyde, retinal (c), and further oxidation produces retinoic acid (d), a hormone that regulates gene expression in skin. Retinal combines with the protein opsin to form rhodopsin (not shown), a visual pigment widely employed in nature. In the dark, retinal of rhodopsin is in the 11-cis form (c). When a rhodopsin molecule is excited by visible light, the 11-cis-retinal undergoes a series of photochemical reactions that convert it to all-trans-retinal (e), forcing a change in the shape of the entire rhodopsin molecule. This transformation in the rod cell of the vertebrate retina sends an electrical signal to the brain that is the basis of visual transduction, a topic we address in more detail in Chapter 13.

# Vitamins E & K and Lipid Quinones Are Oxidation-Reduction Cofactors

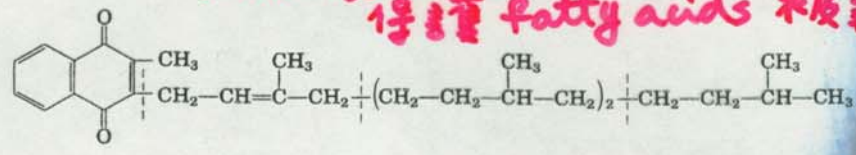
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(a)  
Vitamin E: an antioxidant

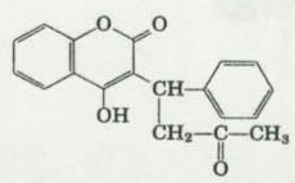


→ 可破壞 free radicals  
保護 fatty acids 不被氧化

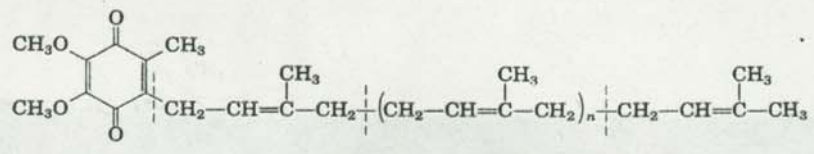
(b)  
Vitamin K<sub>1</sub>: a blood-clotting cofactor (phylloquinone)



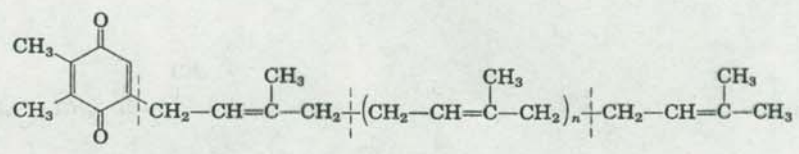
(c)  
Warfarin: a blood anticoagulant



(d)  
Ubiquinone: a mitochondrial electron carrier (coenzyme Q)  
(n = 4-8)



(e)  
Plastoquinone: a chloroplast electron carrier (n = 4-8)



(f)  
Dolichol: a sugar carrier  
(n = 9-22)

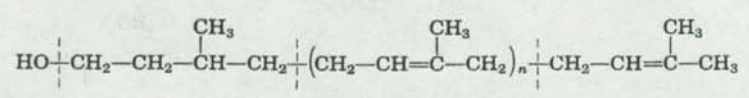


figure 11-20  
Some other biologically active isoprenoid compounds or derivatives. Isoprene structural units are set off by dashed red lines. In most mammalian tissues, ubiquinone (also called coenzyme Q) has ten isoprene units. Dolichols of animals have 17 to 21 isoprene units (85 to 105 carbon atoms), bacterial dolichols have 11, and those of plants and fungi have 14 to 24.

# Lipid Extraction

