



CHEMISTRY 2

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Lipids Lec. 2

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A-Phospholipids

Definition: Phospholipids or phosphatides are compound lipids, which contain phosphoric acid group in their structure.

Sources: They are found in all cells (plant and animal), milk and egg-yolk in the form of **lecithins**.

Structure: phospholipids are composed of:

Fatty acids (a saturated and an unsaturated fatty acid).

1. Nitrogenous base (choline, serine, threonine, or ethanolamine).

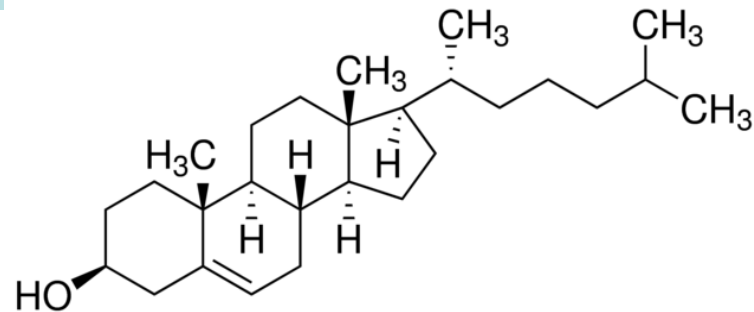
2. Phosphoric acid.

3. Fatty alcohols (glycerol, inositol or sphingosine).

B-Lipoproteins

- **Definition:** Lipoproteins are lipids combined with proteins in the tissues. The lipid component is phospholipid, cholesterol or triglycerides. The holding bonds are secondary bonds.
- **They include:**
- **Structural lipoproteins:**
- These are widely distributed in tissues being present in cellular and subcellular membranes. In **lung tissues** and In the **eye**.
- **Transport lipoproteins:**
- These are the forms present in **blood plasma**. They are composed of a protein called **apolipoprotein** and different types of lipids. (Cholesterol, cholesterol esters, phospholipids and triglycerides). As the lipid content increases, the density of plasma lipoproteins decreases.

CHOLESTEROL AND ITS IMPORTANCE



- It is an important component of **cell membranes**.
- The basis for the **synthesis** of other steroids, including the sex hormones estradiol and testosterone, as well as other steroids such as cortisone and vitamin D.
- Without cholesterol the cell membrane would be too fluid.



a) Very low-density lipoproteins (VLDL):

They contain about 7-10% protein and 90-93% lipid. The lipid content is mainly triglycerides formed in the liver. They contain phospholipid and cholesterol

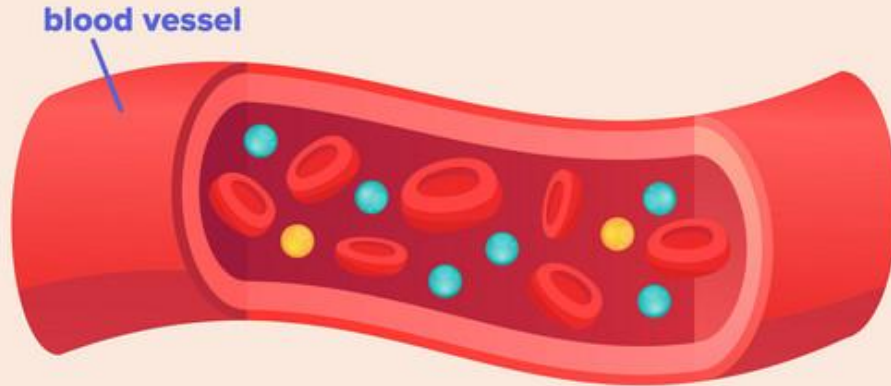
b) Low-density lipoproteins (LDL):

They contain 10-20% proteins in the form of apolipoprotein. Their lipid content varies from 80-90%. They contain about 60% of total blood cholesterol and 40% of total blood phospholipids.

c) High-density lipoproteins (HDL):

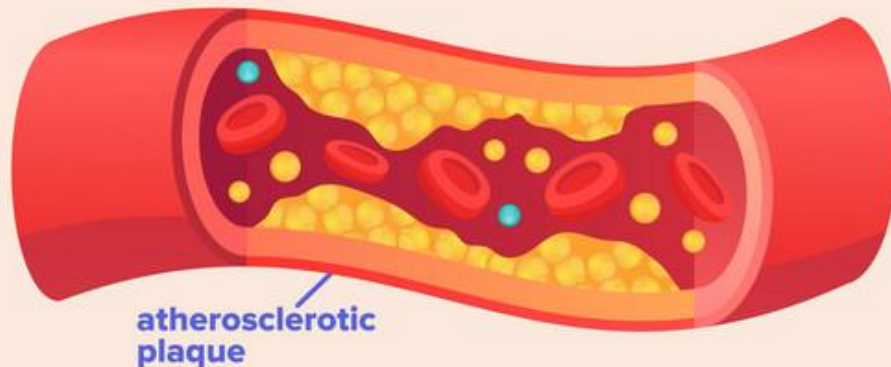
They contain 35-55% proteins in the form of apolipoprotein. They contain 45-65% lipids formed of cholesterol (40% of total blood content) and phospholipids (60% of total blood content).

Types of CHOLESTEROL



High-density lipoprotein

Good cholesterol ●



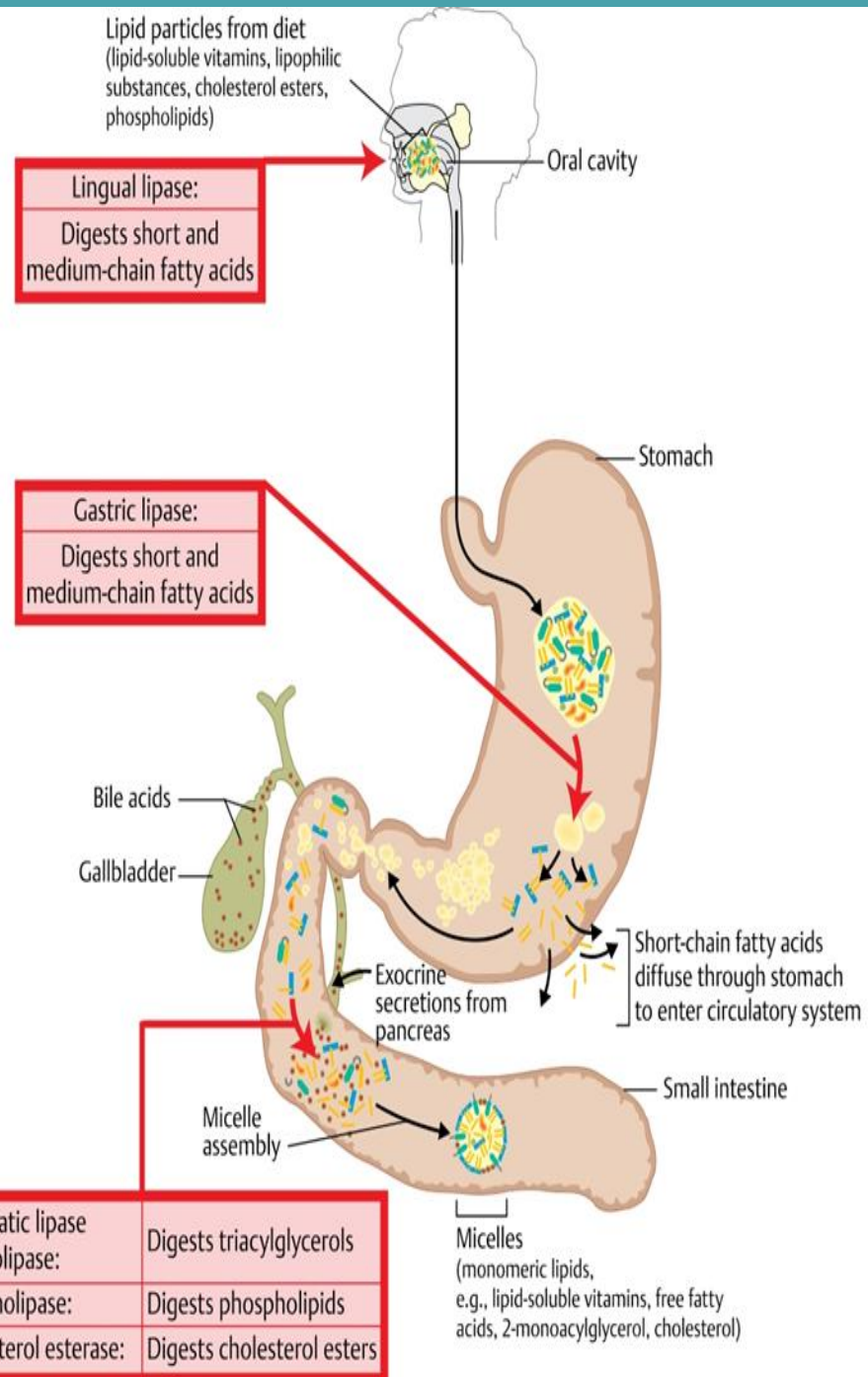
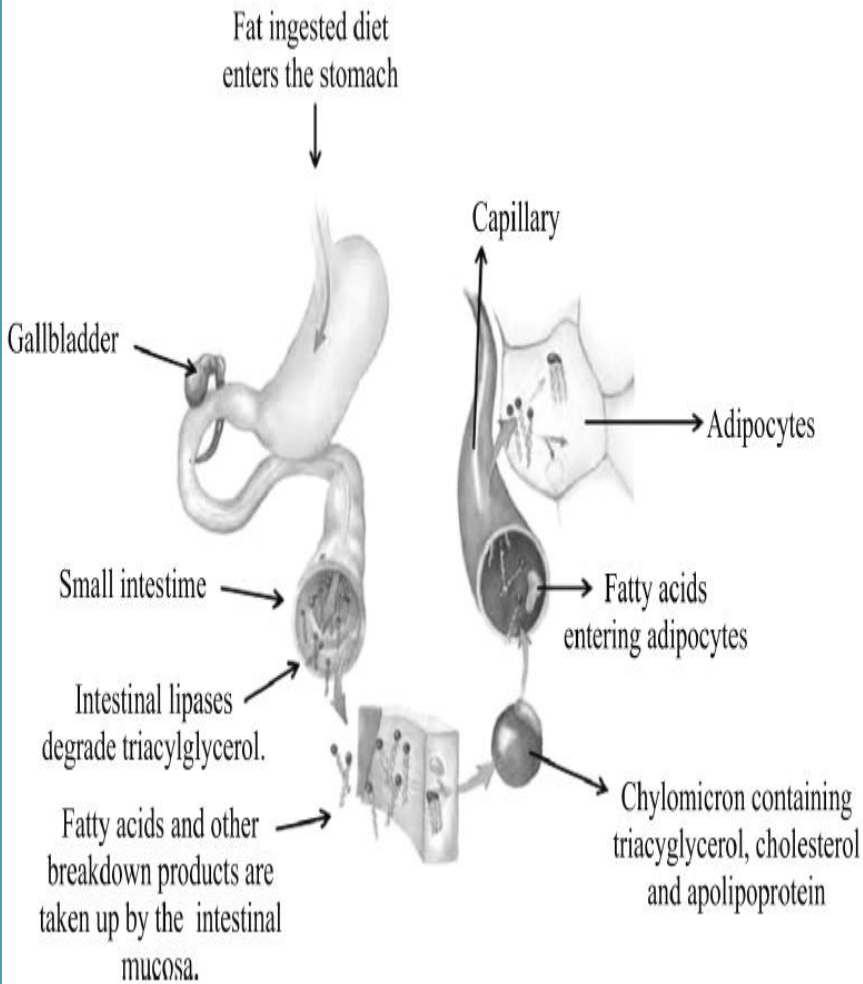
Low-density lipoprotein

Bad cholesterol ●

DIGESTION AND ABSORPTION OF LIPIDS

- **Hydrolysis of triacylglycerols:**
- **Gastric lipases** that attack the **sn-3 ester bond**, forming 1,2-diacylglycerols and free fatty acids, aiding emulsification.
- **Pancreatic lipase** is specific for the primary ester links – ie, **positions 1 and 3** in triacylglycerols – resulting in 2-monoacylglycerols and free fatty acids.
- **Bile salts** enable **emulsification** of the products of lipid digestion into micelles and liposomes together with phospholipids and cholesterol.





Lipoprotein	Source	Main lipid components	Apolipoproteins
Chylomicrons	Intestine	Triacylglycerol	A-I, A-II, A-IV, B 48, C-I, C-II, C-III, E
Chylomicron remnants	Chylomicrons	Triacylglycerol, phospholipids, cholesterol	B-48, E
VLDL	Liver (intestine)	Triacylglycerol	B-100, C-I, C-II, C-III
IDL	VLDL	Triacylglycerol, cholesterol	B-100, E
LDL	VLDL	Cholesterol	B-100
HDL	Liver, intestine, VLDL, chylomicrons	Phospholipids, cholesterol	A-I, A-II, A-IV, C-I, C-II, C-III, D, E

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