

Lecture 23 (11/10/23)

Carbohydrates

A. Definition

B. Roles

C. Monosaccharides-Chemistry

1. Chirality

- One or more asymmetric carbons
- Linear and ring forms

2. Derivatives: the chemistry of carbohydrates

- Oxidation
 - C1
 - C6
- Reduction
 - C1/C2
 - Other carbons
- Ester formation
- Amino sugars

3. Polymerization

- The Glycosidic Bond
- Non-covalent bonds in macro-molecular structure

D. Oligosaccharides

- Glycoproteins & glycolipids
- O-linked
- N-linked
- Sequence determination-ABO

• Reading: Ch7; 241-250

• Homework #22

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• Reading: Ch8; 294-296
263-269
Ch24; 885-890

• Homework #23*

E. Polysaccharides

1. Polymers of glucose

- Alpha polymers
- Beta polymers

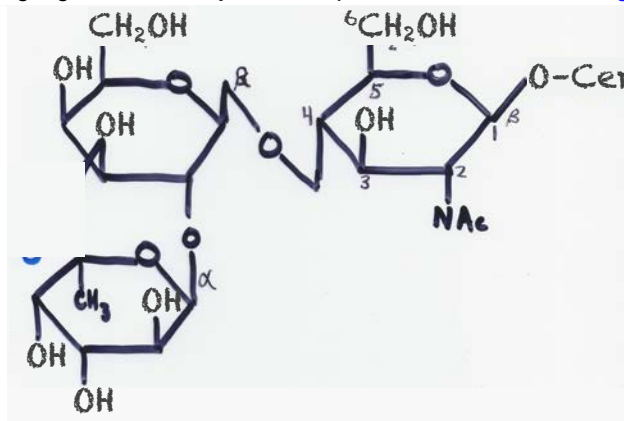
2. Polymers of disaccharides

- Extracellular matrix
- Glycosaminoglycans
 - Hyaluronic acid
 - Chondroitin/Dermatan sulfate
 - Heparin sulfate
 - Keratan sulfate
- Proteoglycans

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Oligosaccharides: Determination of Sequence

- In vertebrates, ganglioside carbohydrate composition determines **blood groups**.



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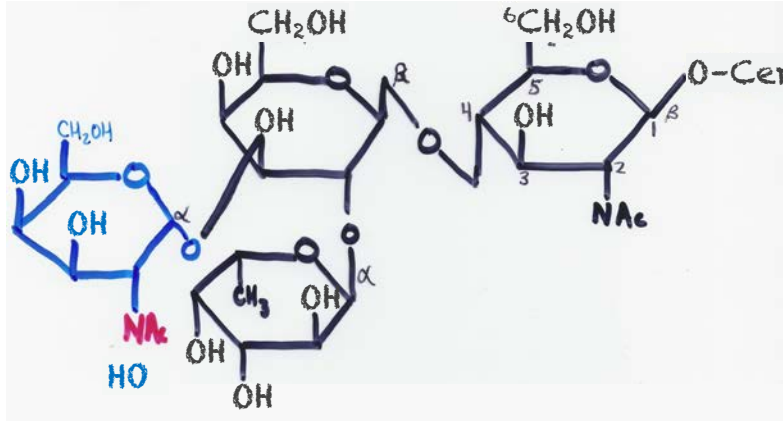
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Polysaccharides

- The majority of natural carbohydrates are usually found as large polymers.
- These **polysaccharides** can be:
 - **homopolysaccharides** (one type of monomer unit*)
 - **heteropolysaccharides** (multiple types of monomer units)
 - linear (one type of glycosidic bond)
 - branched (multiple types of glycosidic bonds)
- Polysaccharides do not have a defined molecular weight.
 - This is in contrast to proteins because, unlike proteins, no template is used to make polysaccharides.
 - Polysaccharides are often in a state of flux; monomer units are added and removed as needed by the organism.

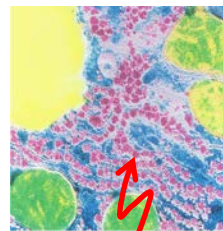
*monomer unit=monosaccharide

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Polysaccharides: **Polymers of Glucose**

Homopolymers of Glucose:

- **Starch**
- **Glycogen**
- **Cellulose**
- **Chitin**



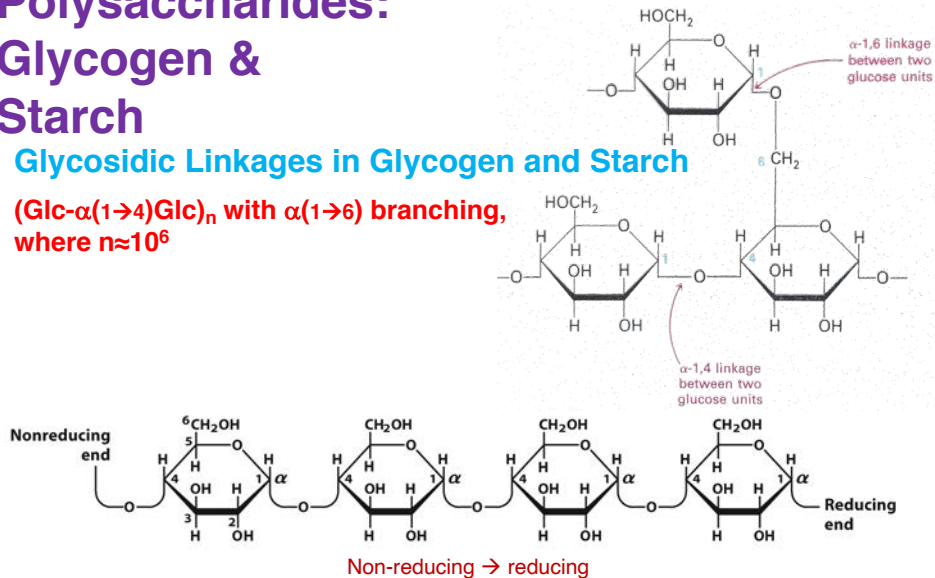
- Glycogen and Starch are the main **storage polysaccharides** for energy.
 - Glycogen and starch are insoluble due to their high molecular weight and often form **granules** in cells.
 - Molecular weight reaches several millions ($\sim 200 \times 10^6$) (can see in microscope).
- Glycogen is a branched homopolysaccharide of **glucose**.
 - Glucose monomers form $\alpha(1 \rightarrow 4)$ linked chains.
 - There are branch points with $\alpha(1 \rightarrow 6)$ linkers every 8–12 residues.
- Starch is a mixture of two homopolysaccharides of **glucose**.
 - **Amylopectin** is like glycogen, but the branch points ($\alpha(1 \rightarrow 6)$ linkages) occur every 24–30 residues.
 - **Amylose** is an unbranched polymer of $\alpha(1 \rightarrow 4)$ linked residues.

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Polysaccharides: Glycogen & Starch

Glycosidic Linkages in Glycogen and Starch

(Glc- $\alpha(1\rightarrow4)$ Glc)_n with $\alpha(1\rightarrow6)$ branching, where $n \approx 10^6$

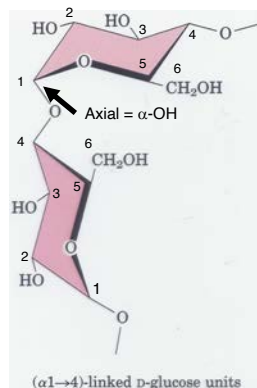


Haworth projections are not good to show the actual shape, which is helical!

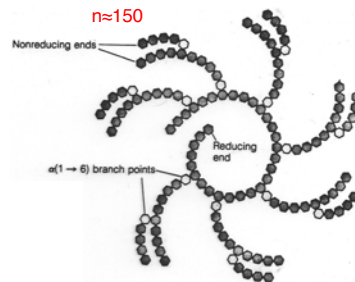
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Polysaccharides: Glycogen & Starch

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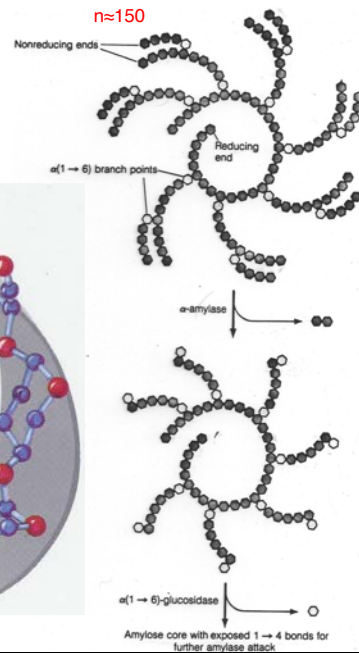
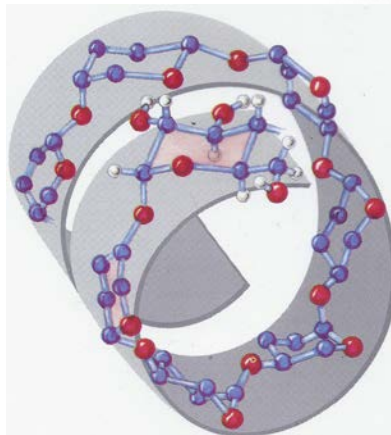
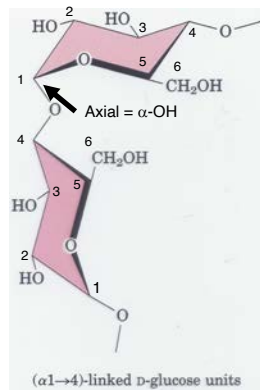
- Granules contain enzymes that synthesize and degrade these polymers.
- Glycogen and amylopectin have **one** reducing end but **many nonreducing ends**.
- Enzymatic processing occurs simultaneously in many nonreducing ends.



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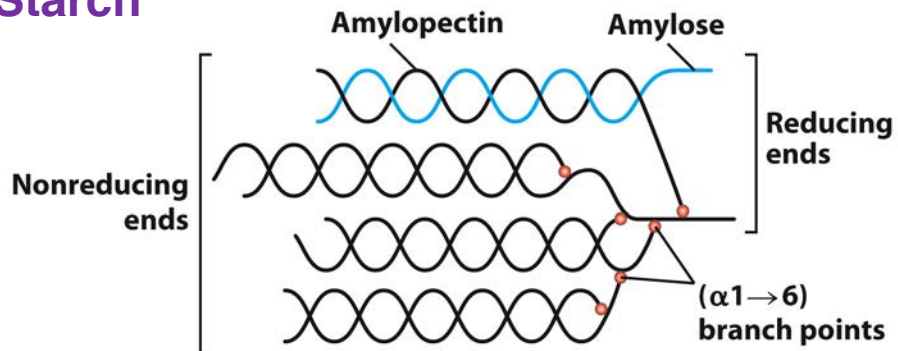
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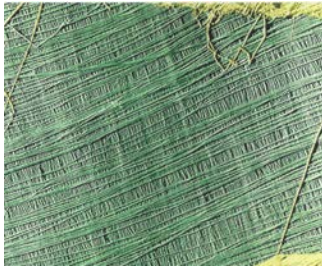
Mixture of Amylose and Amylopectin in Starch

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Polysaccharides:

Homopolymers of Glucose:

- Starch
- Glycogen
- Cellulose
- Chitin

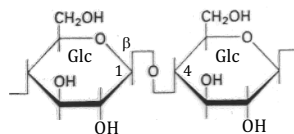


- Cellulose is a **linear** homopolysaccharide of **glucose**.
 - Glucose monomers form $\beta(1 \rightarrow 4)$ linked chains.
 - **Hydrogen bonds** form between adjacent monomers.
 - There are additional H-bonds between chains.
 - Structure is now tough and water insoluble.
 - It makes up almost 50% of plant mass; in cell walls.
 - Cotton is nearly pure fibrous cellulose.
- Chitin is a linear homopolysaccharide of **N-acetylglucosamine (GlcNAc)**.
 - **N-acetylglucosamine** monomers form $\beta(1 \rightarrow 4)$ -linked chains.
 - forms **extended fibers that are similar to those of cellulose**
 - hard, insoluble, cannot be digested by vertebrates
 - structure is tough but flexible, and water insoluble
 - found in cell walls in mushrooms and in exoskeletons of insects, spiders, crabs, and other arthropods

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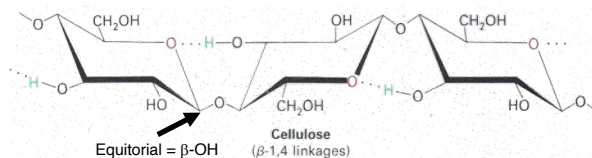
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Cellulose & Chitin

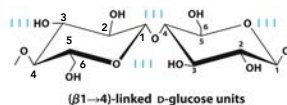


Glycosidic Linkages in Cellulose & Chitin

(Glc- $\beta(1 \rightarrow 4)$ Glc)_n with **NO** branching,
n $\approx 10^4$



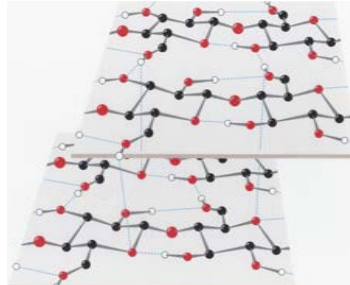
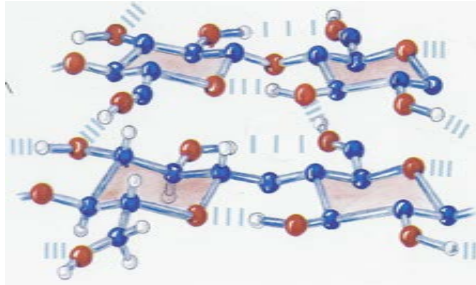
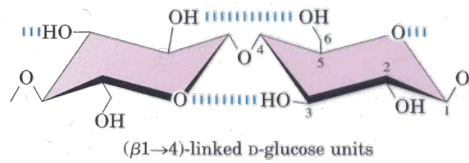
Notice that each chair is alternatively flipped



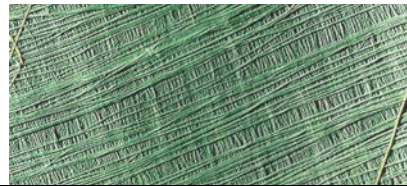
THE most abundant biological molecule
in the world: ~300 trillion kg

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Polysaccharides: Cellulose & Chitin



- The fibrous structure and water insolubility make cellulose a difficult substrate to act upon.
- Most animals cannot use cellulose as a fuel source because they lack the enzyme to hydrolyze β(1→4) linkages (β-Amylase or cellulase).
- Fungi, bacteria, and protozoa secrete **cellulase**, which allows them to use wood as source of glucose.
- **Ruminants and termites** live symbiotically with microorganisms that produce cellulase and are able to absorb the freed glucose into their bloodstreams.
- Cellulases hold promise in the fermentation of biomass into biofuels.

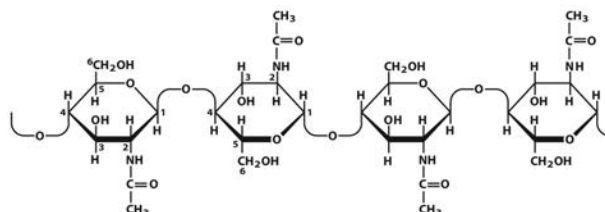
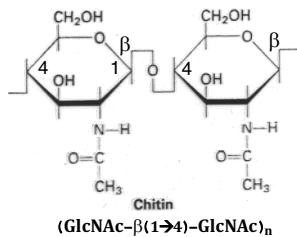


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Polysaccharides: Cellulose & Chitin



A Sally lightfoot crab. The exoskeleton of this arthropod is rich in chitin, one of the most abundant biopolymers on earth.

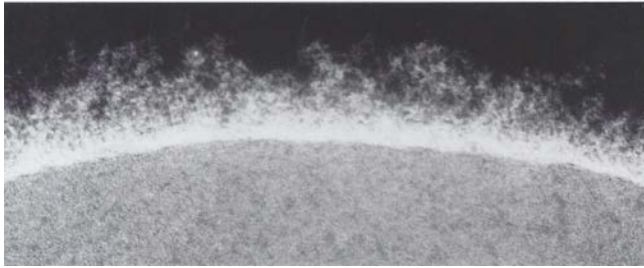


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Polysaccharides: Polymers of Disaccharides

First, need to describe the Extracellular Matrix (ECM)

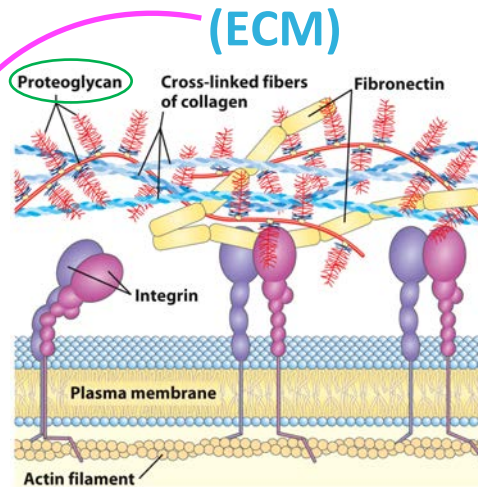
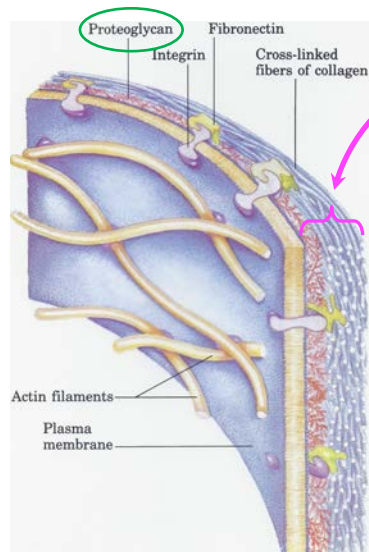
- Material outside the cell
- Strength, elasticity, and physical barrier in tissues (varies tremendously)
- Main components
 - proteoglycans
 - collagen & elastin fibers
- Proteoglycans
 - Different glycosaminoglycans are O-linked to the “core protein.”
 - Linkage from anomeric carbon of xylose to serine hydroxyl
 - Our tissues have many different core proteins; aggrecan is the best studied.



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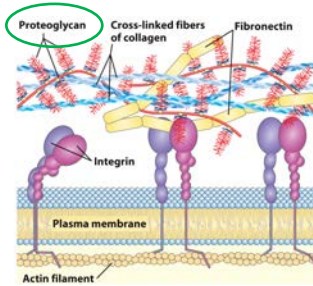
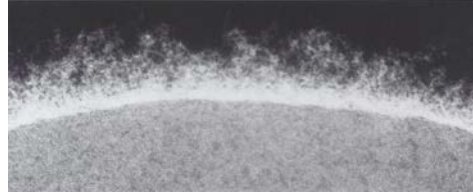
Extracellular Matrix (ECM)



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 - proteoglycans
 - collagen & elastin fibers
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- ECM is a barrier for tumor cells seeking to invade new tissues.
 - Some tumor cells secrete heparinase that degrades ECM.
- Cosmetics



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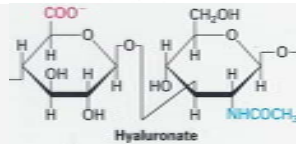
Polysaccharides: Polymers of Disaccharides Glycosaminoglycans (the carbohydrate part of proteoglycans)

- Linear polymers of repeating disaccharide units (sugarX-sugarY)_n
- One monomer (sugarX) is either sugar acid or Gal
 - uronic acids (C6 oxidation)
 - Most have sulfate esters
- One monomer (sugarY) is either:
 - N-acetyl-glucosamine (GlcNAc) or N-acetyl-galactosamine (GalNAc)
 - Also sulfate esters
- Extended hydrated molecule
 - Negatively charged
 - minimizes charge repulsion
- Forms meshwork with fibrous proteins to form extracellular matrix
 - connective tissue
 - lubrication of joints
- Form huge (M_r > 2 · 10⁸) noncovalent aggregates (Hyaluronan and Aggrecan).
 - They hold a lot of water (1000× its weight) and provide lubrication.
 - Very low friction material
 - Covers joint surfaces: articular cartilage
 - reduced friction & load balancing

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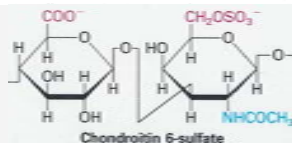
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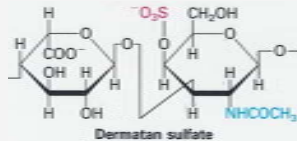
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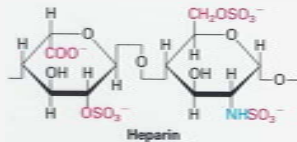
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Chondroitin-4-sulfate (chondroitin-4-sulfate)	2 - 5 x 10 ⁴	4	β-(1→3)	Cartilage, bone	
Heparan sulfate (heparan sulfate)	2 - 5 x 10 ⁴	3,6	β-(1→3)	Skin, blood vessels, heart valves	
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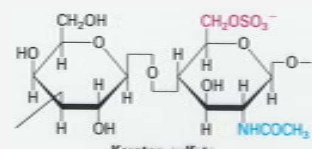


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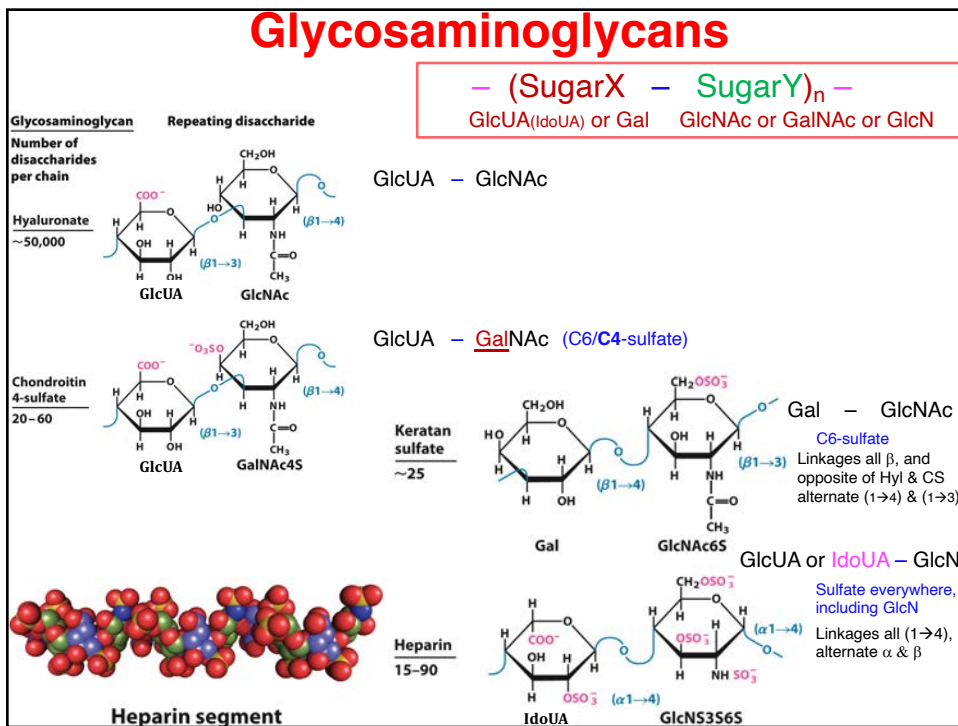
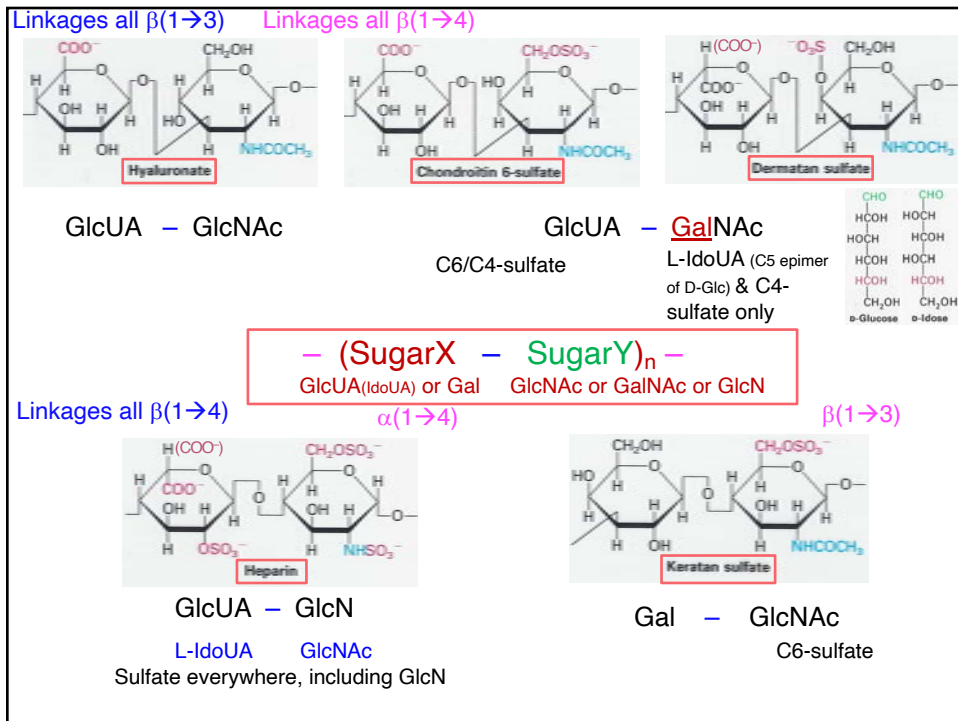
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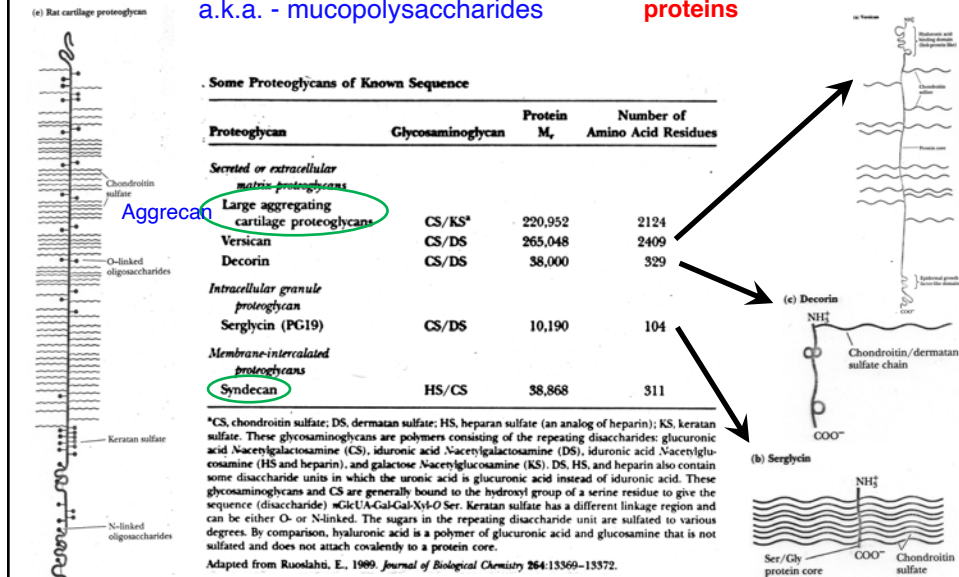
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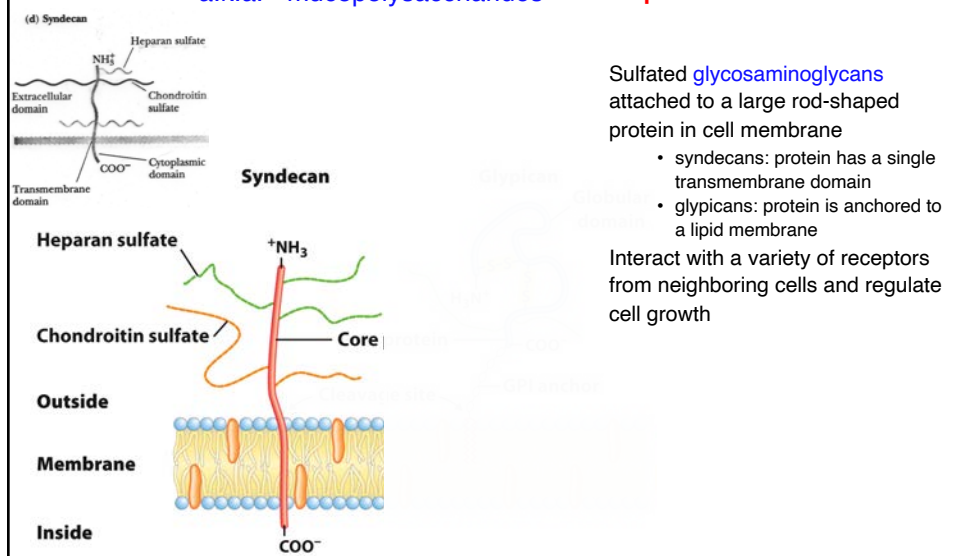
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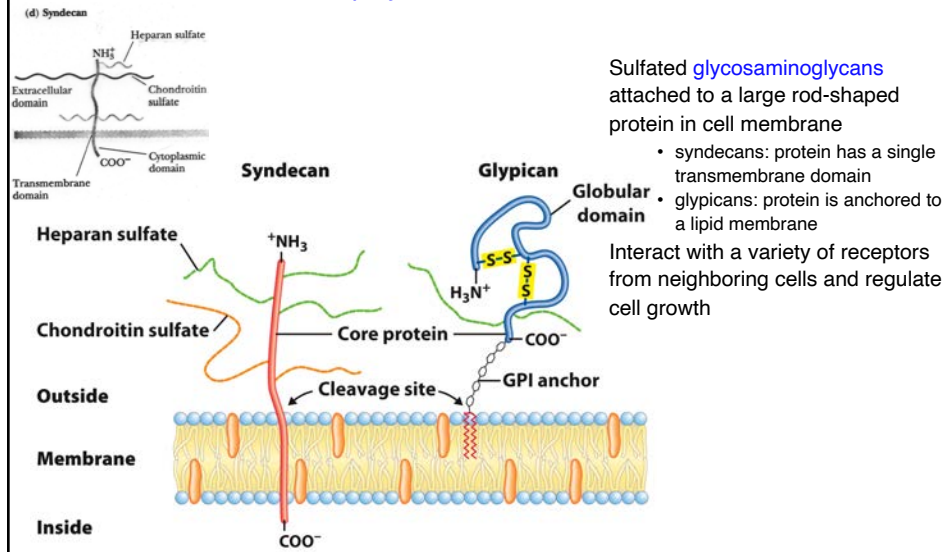
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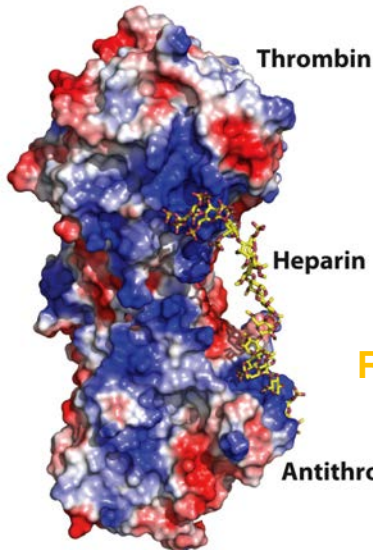
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- Some integral membrane proteins are proteoglycans.
 - syndecans
- Other integral membrane proteins are receptors for extracellular proteoglycans.
 - Integrins (which then interact with Actin)
- These proteins link cellular cytoskeleton to the ECM and transmit signals into the cell to regulate:
 - cell growth
 - cell mobility
 - apoptosis
 - wound healing
- In chondrocytes, huge amounts of cartilage proteoglycans are produced (Aggrecan)
 - Resilience
 - Plasticity
 - Cushioning
 - Due to reversible hydration
- Heparin is linear polymer, 3–40 kDa.
 - Heparan sulfate is heparin-like polysaccharide but attached to proteins.
 - Highest density of negative-charge of any biomolecule
 - Prevent blood clotting by activating protease inhibitor antithrombin III
 - Binding to various cells regulates development and formation of blood vessels.
 - Modulates growth and development by binding growth-factor receptors
 - Important role in cancer metastasis
 - Can also bind to viruses and bacteria and decrease their virulence

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Thrombin activates the blood-clotting cascade by proteolysis

Anti-thrombin keeps thrombin inactive, preventing proteolysis

Prevent blood clotting by activating protease inhibitor anti-thrombin III

Role of Heparin

$\text{Thrombin} + \text{Anti-thrombin} \rightleftharpoons \text{Thrombin} \cdot \text{Anti-thrombin}$

K_a is 1000 larger in presence of **Heparin**

TABLE 7-2 Structures and Roles of Some Polysaccharides				
Primer	Type ^a	Repeating unit ^b	Size (number of monosaccharide units)	Roles/significance
Starch				
Amylose	Homo-	($\alpha 1 \rightarrow 4$) Glc, linear	50–5,000	Energy storage: in plants
Amylopectin	Homo-	($\alpha 1 \rightarrow 4$) Glc, with ($\alpha 1 \rightarrow 6$) Glc branches every 24–30 residues	Up to 10^6	
Glycogen	Homo-	($\alpha 1 \rightarrow 4$) Glc, with ($\alpha 1 \rightarrow 6$) Glc branches every 8–12 residues	Up to 50,000	Energy storage: in bacteria and animal cells
Cellulose	Homo-	($\beta 1 \rightarrow 4$) Glc	Up to 15,000	Structural: in plants, gives rigidity and strength to cell walls
Chitin	Homo-	($\beta 1 \rightarrow 4$) GlcNAc	Very large	Structural: in insects, spiders, crustaceans, gives rigidity and strength to exoskeletons
Peptidoglycan	Hetero-; peptides attached	4)Mur2Ac($\beta 1 \rightarrow 4$) GlcNAc($\beta 1$)	Very large	Structural: in bacteria, gives rigidity and strength to cell envelope
Hyaluronan (a glycosaminoglycan)	Hetero-; acidic	4)GlcA ($\beta 1 \rightarrow 3$) GlcNAc($\beta 1$)	Up to 100,000	Structural: in vertebrates, extracellular matrix of skin and connective tissue; viscosity and lubrication in joints

^aEach polymer is classified as a homopolysaccharide (homo-) or heteropolysaccharide (hetero-).
^bThe abbreviated names for the peptidoglycan, agarose, and hyaluronan repeating units indicate that the polymer contains repeats of this disaccharide unit. For example, in peptidoglycan, the GlcNAc of one disaccharide unit is ($\beta 1 \rightarrow 4$)-linked to the first residue of the next disaccharide unit.

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