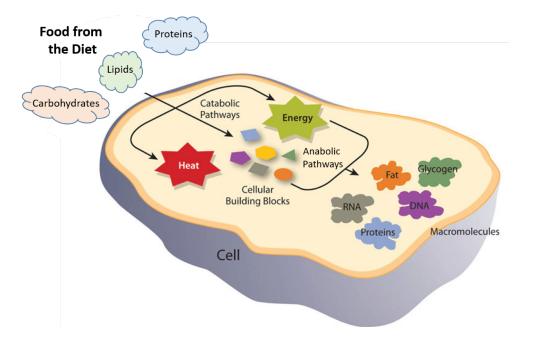
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Lesson 4 Cellular Chemistry



Metabolism

- The cell is an ideal continuous chemical reactor
- The ensemble of cellular chemical reactions = metabolism
- Anabolic reactions = build up molecules (e.g., condensation)

$$M-OH + M-OH \rightarrow M-O-M + H_2O$$

 Catabolic reactions = break down molecules (e.g., hydrolysis)

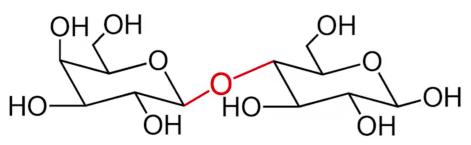
$$M-O-M + H_2O \rightarrow 2 M-OH$$



Factory, Maurice Utrillo, 1923

Condensation & hydrolysis

Condensation Hydrolysis + H₂O + H₂O



Lactose

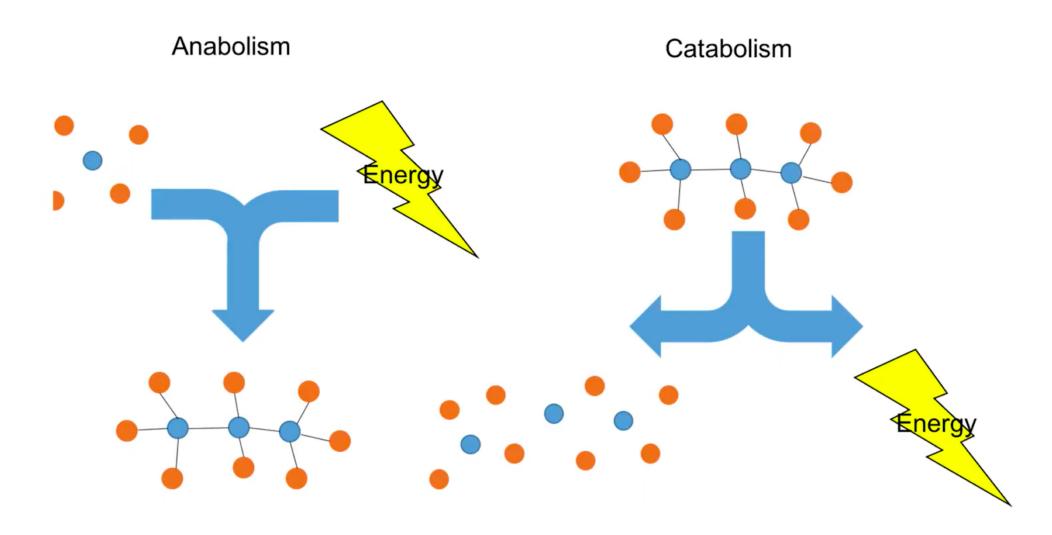
Condensation:

Covalent bonds form with loss of water Build molecules Anabolic

Hydrolysis:

Covalent bonds break with addition of water Break down molecules Catabolic

Metabolism & Energy



Cellular chemistry

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