

CONCEPT: MONOSACCHARIDE CONFIGURATIONS

● Recall: configurations of monosaccharide chiral carbons can be designated using _____ different systems:

1) Cahn-Ingold-Prelog (____/____).

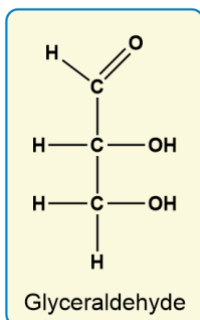
2) Fischer's Convention (____/____).

1) R/S Configuration

● Cahn-Ingold-Prelog system designates *absolute* ____/____ configurations.

- Assign priorities 1 → 4 (based on atomic _____) to each chemical group attached to the chiral carbon.
- Determine if priorities 1 → 2 → 3 (ignoring 4) are in a *clockwise* (____) or *counter-clockwise* (____) configuration.
- Only if priority ____ is on a *wedge* (popping out of the page), assign the *opposite* configuration that it "looks like."

EXAMPLE: Determine the Cahn-Ingold-Prelog (R/S) configurations for glyceraldehyde's chiral center:



2) D/L Configuration

● Fischer's Convention designates ____/____ configurations *relative* to _____ enantiomers.

- ____ configuration = -OH group _____; *usually* D = ____ configuration.
- ____ configuration = -OH group _____; *usually* L = ____ configuration.

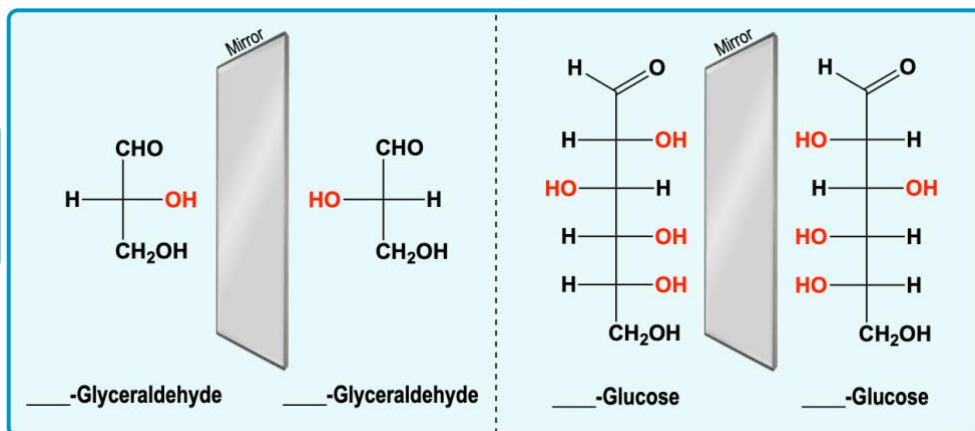
● Monosaccharides have the *same* configuration as the _____ numbered chiral carbon.

- In other words, a monosaccharide's configuration is that of the chiral carbon _____ from its carbonyl group.

EXAMPLE: Determine the Fischer Convention (D/L) configurations of the following glucose monosaccharides?

Standard Fischer Projection:

- Carbonyl group is on _____.
- _____ carbon-chain is *vertical*.



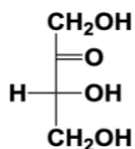
● Unlike biological *amino acids* (which are usually ____ configuration), biological *carbohydrates* are usually ____ configuration.

- The reason why life prefers L-amino-acids but ____-carbohydrates is *unknown*.

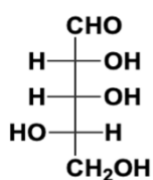
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PRACTICE: Identify the D/L and R/S configuration of all of the following monosaccharides:

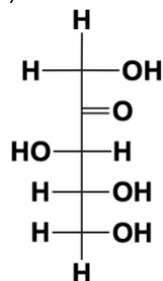
a) _____



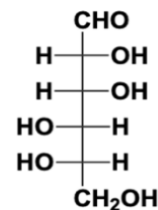
b) _____



c) _____



d) _____



PRACTICE: How many D-stereoisomers are possible for a D-ketopentose?

- a) 4. b) 8. c) 24. d) 2. e) 16.

PRACTICE: Which TWO of the following traits apply to Fischer's Convention for naming stereoisomers?

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| a) Utilizes (+) and (-) designations. | d) Requires drawing the compound with aldehyde/ketone at the top. |
| b) Utilizes (D) and (L) designations. | e) Based on optical properties of the compound in solution. |
| c) Utilizes (R) and (S) designations. | f) Reflects stereochemistry at multiple centers. |

PRACTICE: How many possible epimers of D-glucose exist?

- a) 1. b) 2. c) 4. d) 6. e) 8. f) 16.

