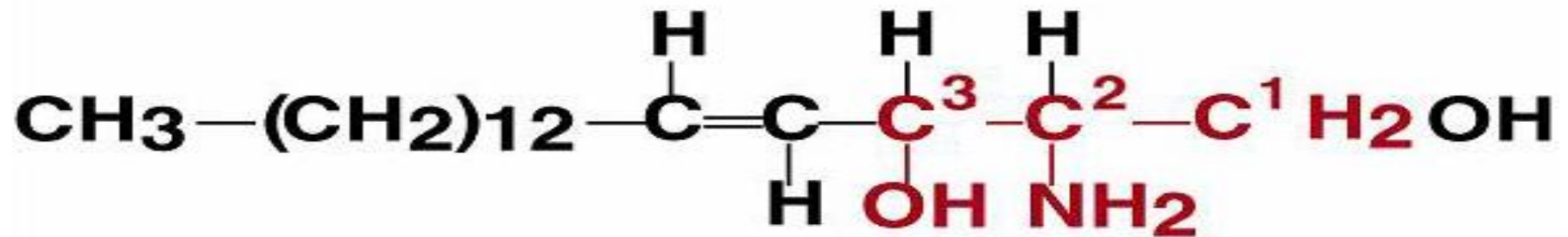


# Metabolism of Sphingolipids

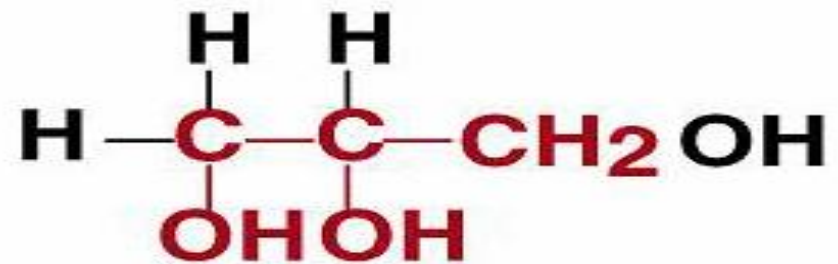
Sphingophospholipids

Glycosphingolipids

# Sphingosine; Amino Alcohol

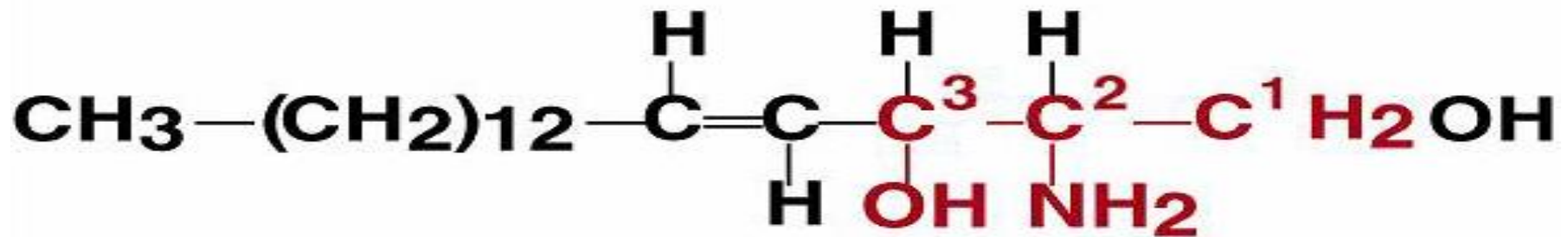


**Sphingosine**

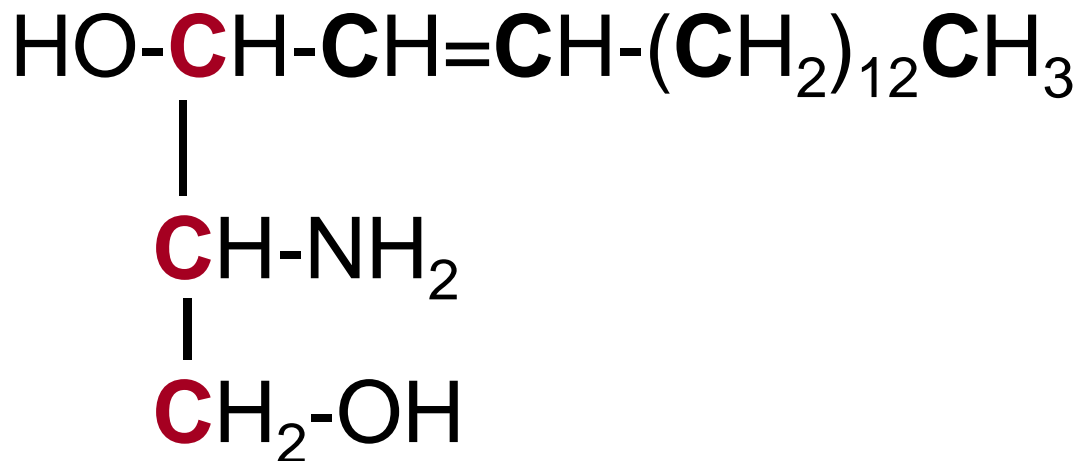


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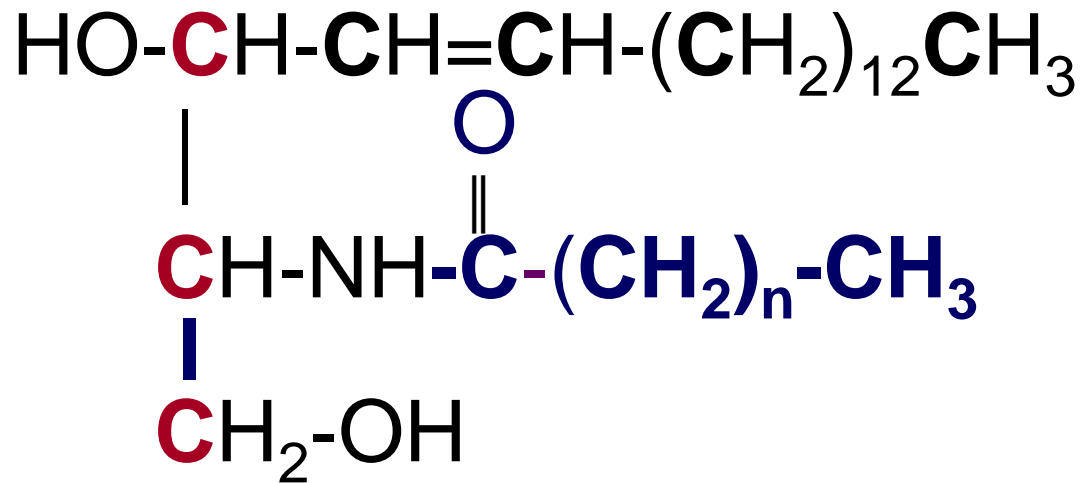
# Sphingosine; Amino Alcohol



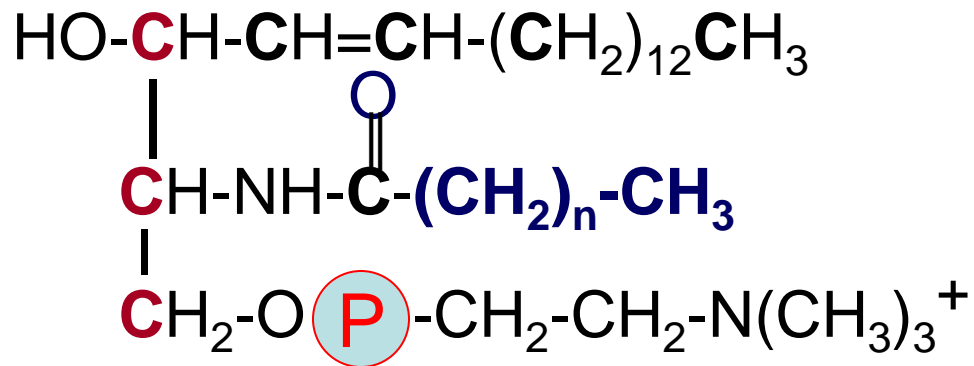
**Sphingosine**



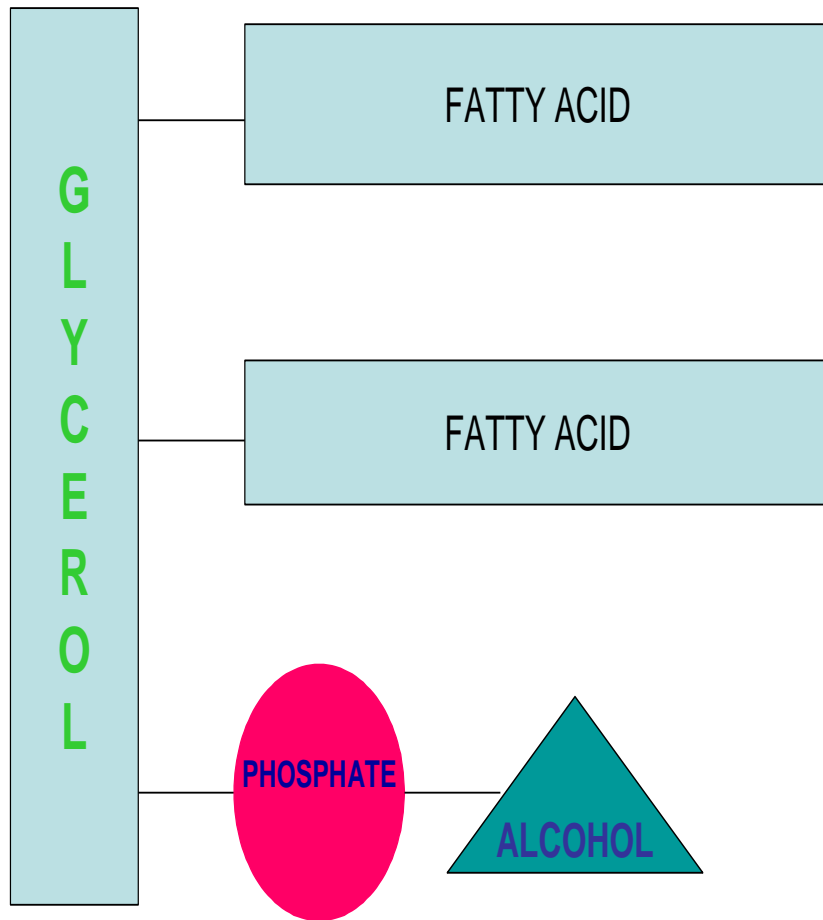
# Ceramide: Fatty Acid to joined to Sphingosine



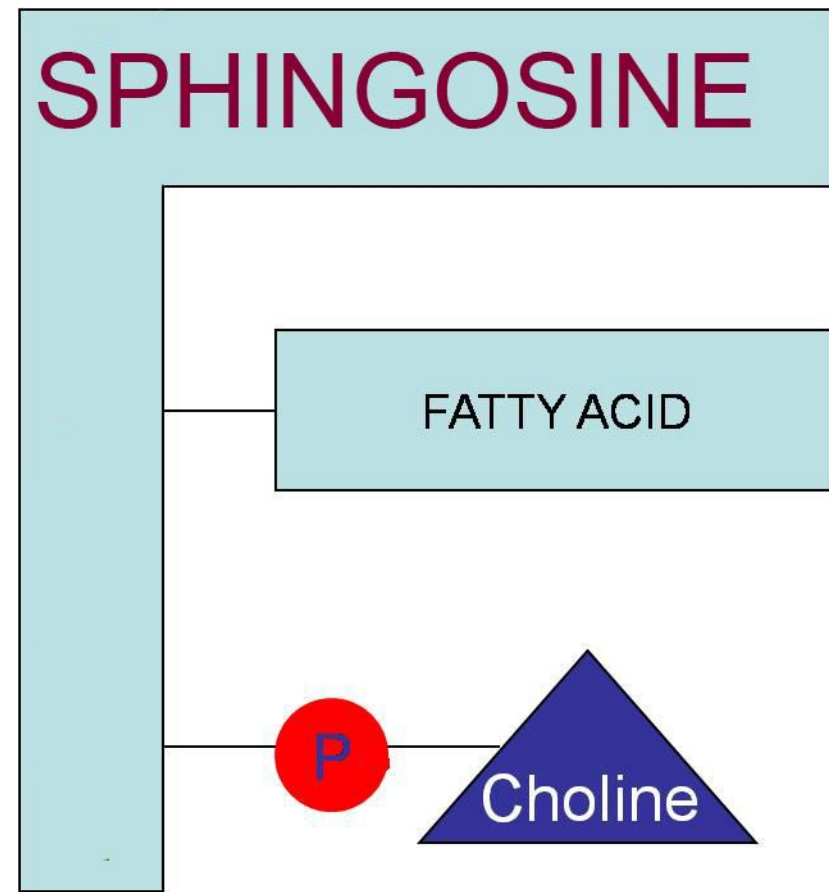
# Sphingomyelin is Phosphocholine Ester of Ceramide



# Sphingomyelin

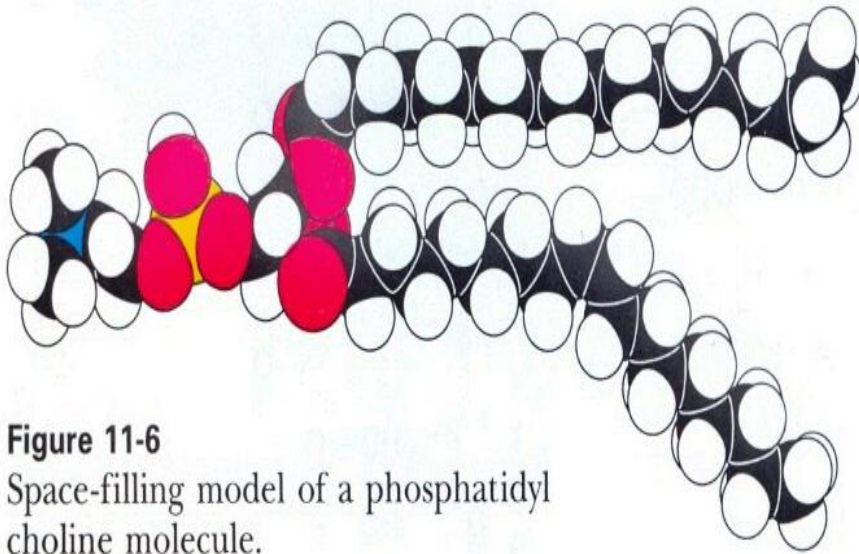


**PHOSPHOACYLGLYCEROL**

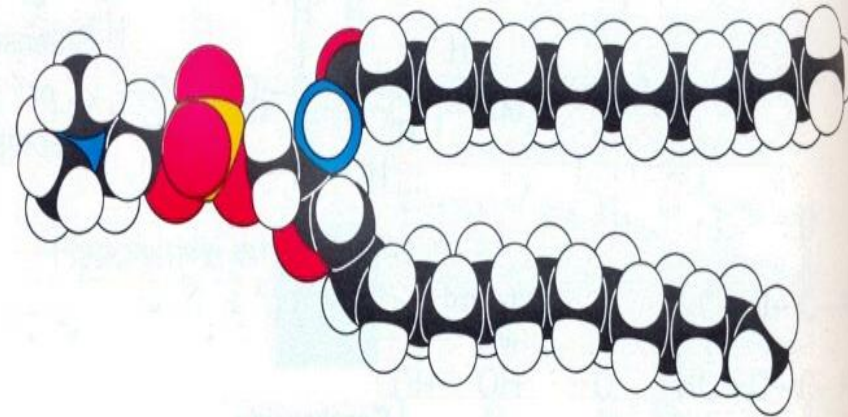


**Sphingophospholipids**

# Phosphatidylcholine and Sphingomyelin

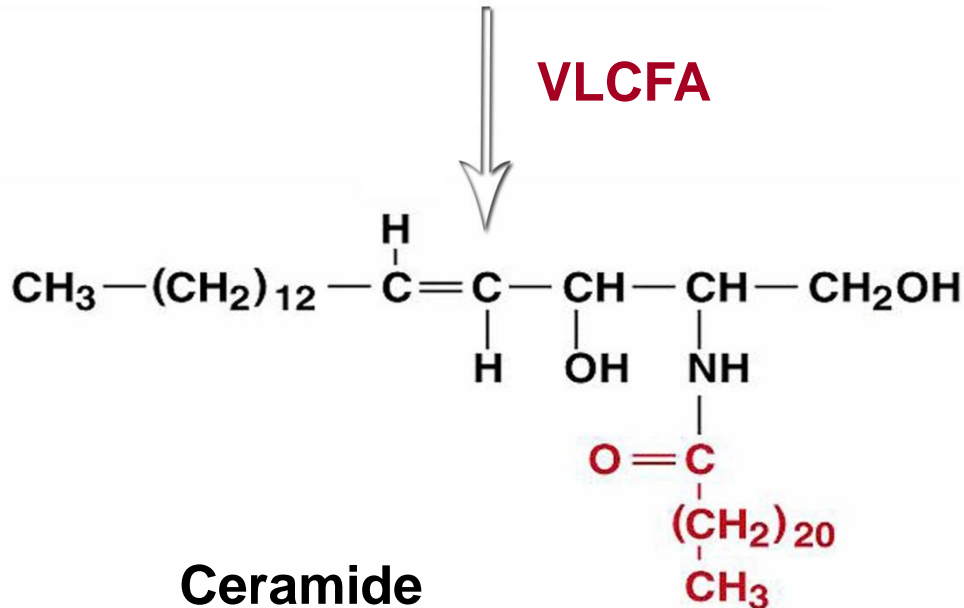


**Figure 11-6**  
Space-filling model of a phosphatidylcholine molecule.



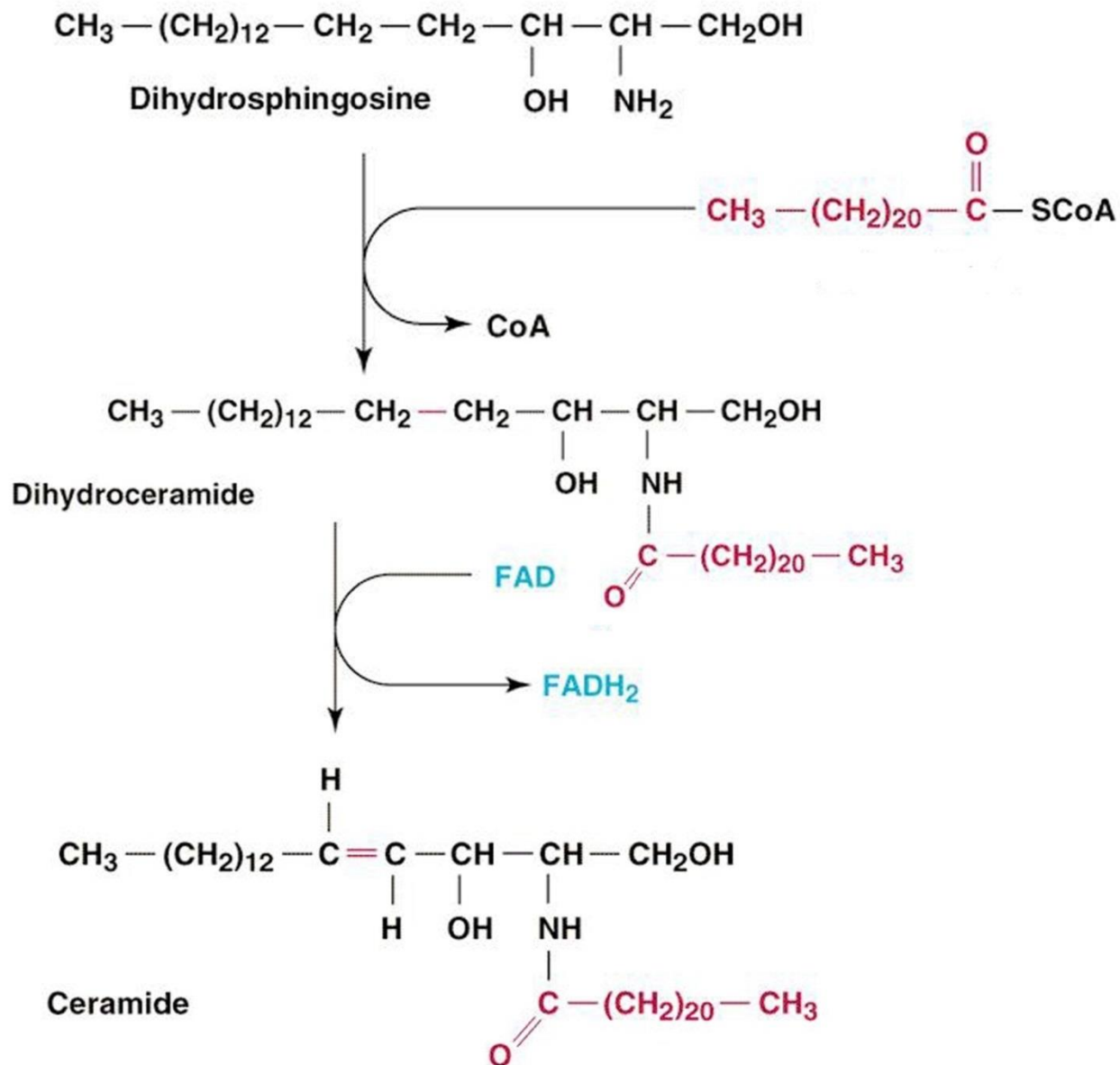
**Figure 11-7**  
Space-filling model of a sphingomyelin molecule.

$\text{CH}_3-(\text{CH}_2)_{14}-\overset{\text{O}}{\parallel}\text{C}-\text{SCoA}$  +  $-\text{OOC}-\overset{\text{NH}_3^+}{\text{CH}}-\text{CH}_2\text{OH}$   
 Palmitoyl CoA + L-Serine  
 ↓  
 pyridoxal phosphate  
 $\text{CH}_3-(\text{CH}_2)_{12}-\text{CH}_2-\text{CH}_2-\underset{\text{OH}}{\text{CH}}-\underset{\text{NH}_2}{\text{CH}}-\text{CH}_2\text{OH}$  Sphinganine +  $\text{CO}_2$  + CoA  
 ↓  
 VLCFA  
 $\text{CH}_3-(\text{CH}_2)_{12}-\underset{\text{H}}{\text{C}}=\underset{\text{H}}{\text{C}}-\underset{\text{OH}}{\text{CH}}-\underset{\text{NH}}{\text{CH}}-\text{CH}_2\text{OH}$   
 $\text{O}=\text{C}-\underset{\text{(CH}_2\text{)}_{20}}{\text{CH}_2}-\text{CH}_3$   
 Ceramide

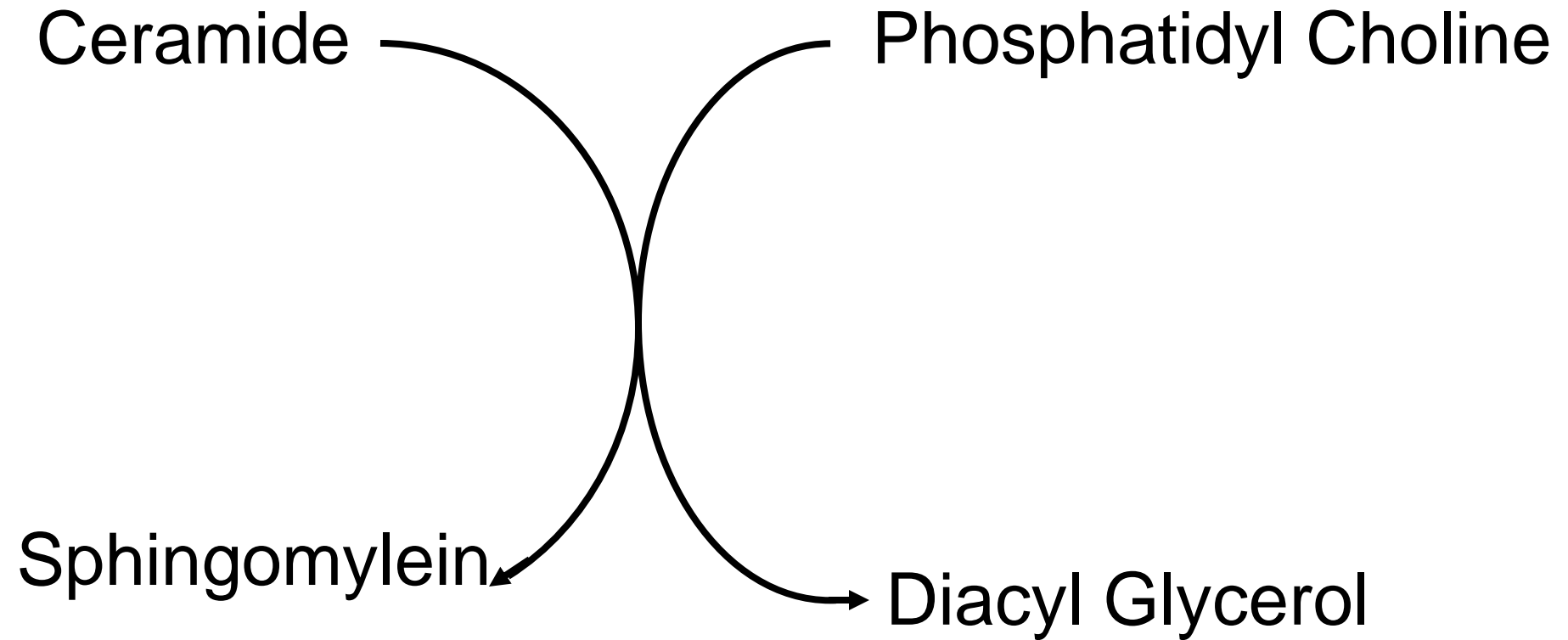




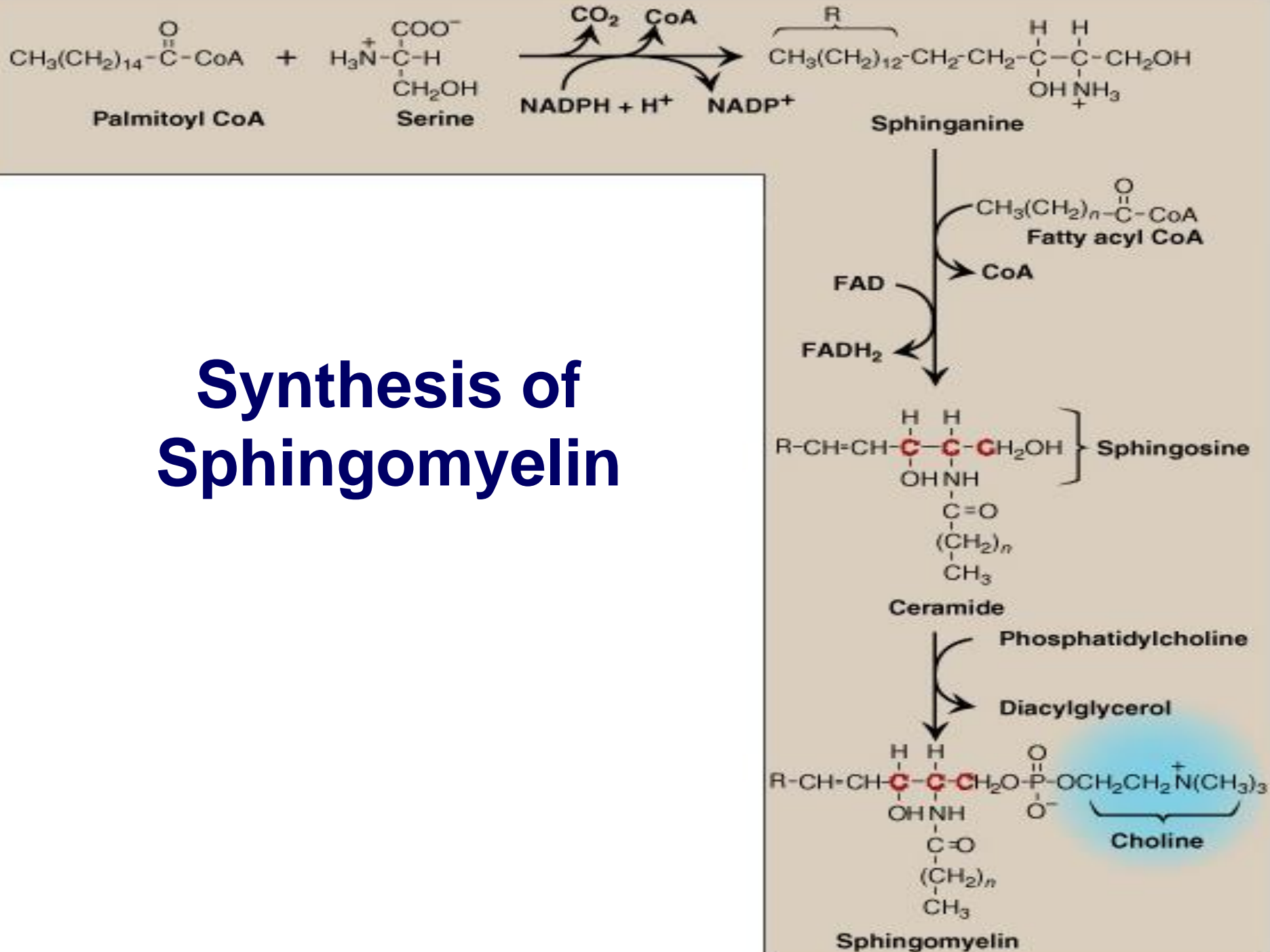
# Synthesis of Sphingomyelin



# Transfer Of Phosphocholine to Ceramide Produces Sphingomyelin



# Synthesis of Sphingomyelin



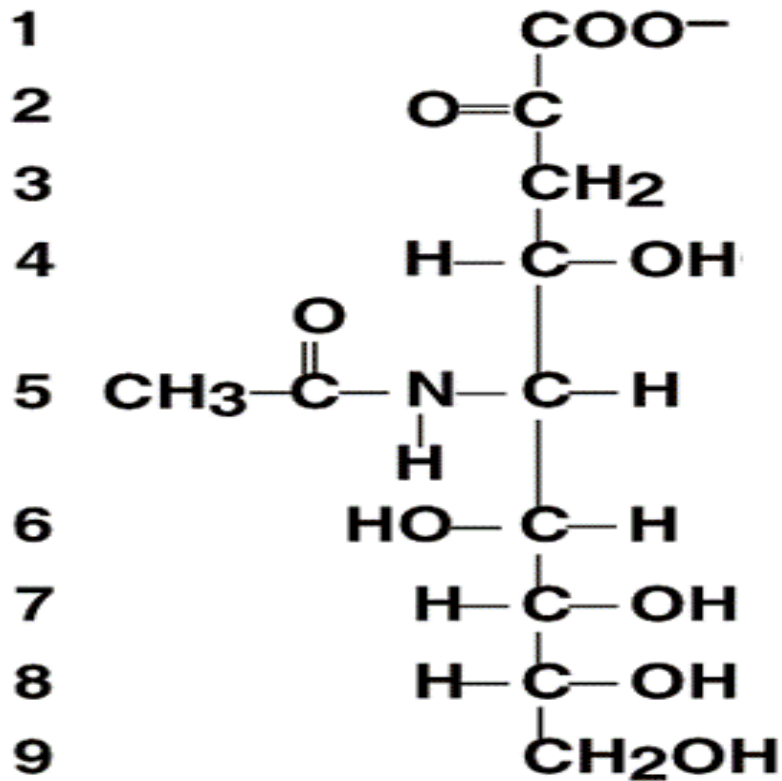
# **Glycolipids** are Formed by Linking one or More Sugars to Ceramide

## **Ceramide +**

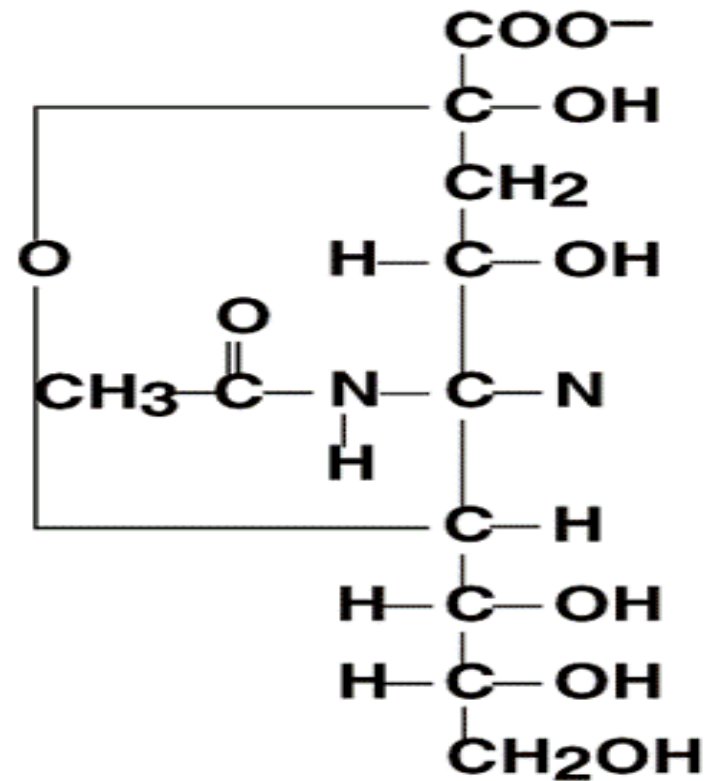
- Glucose or Galactose => **Cerebroside**
- Sulfated Galactose => **Sulfoglycosphingolipids**
- Oligosaccharide => **Globoside**
- Oligosaccharide with NANA => **Gangliosides**

# N-Acetylneuraminic Acid (NANA)

Carbon atom



Open-chain form



$\alpha$ -Hemiacetal form

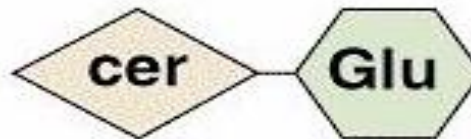
# Types of Sphingolipids

## Sphingomyelin

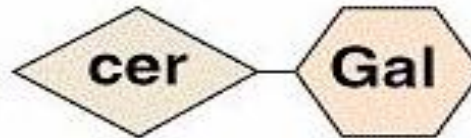


## Neutral sphingolipids

Glucosylceramide



Galactosylceramide



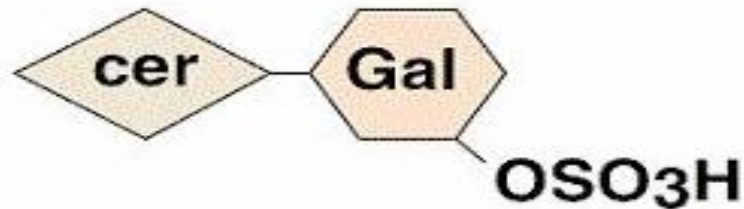
Globoside



# Types of Sphingolipids

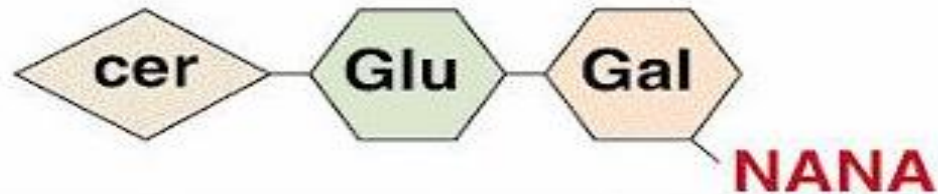
## Acid sphingolipids

Sulfatide

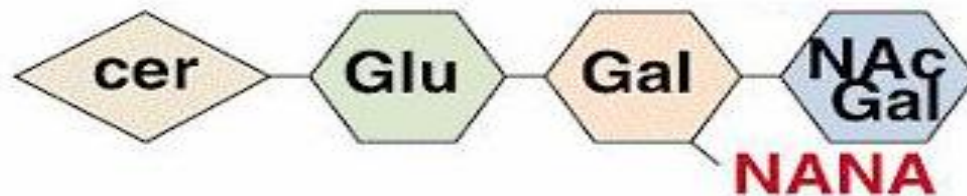


Gangliosides

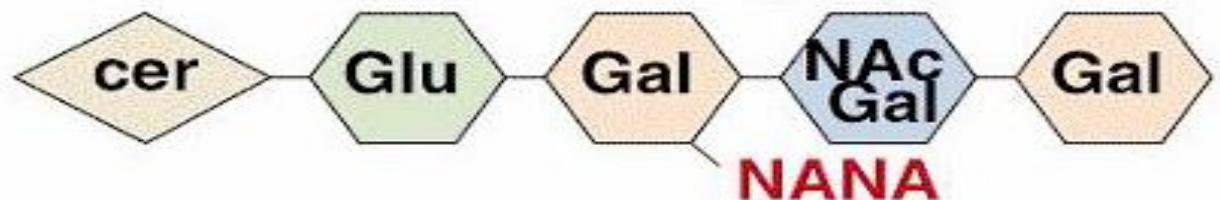
GM3



GM2



GM1

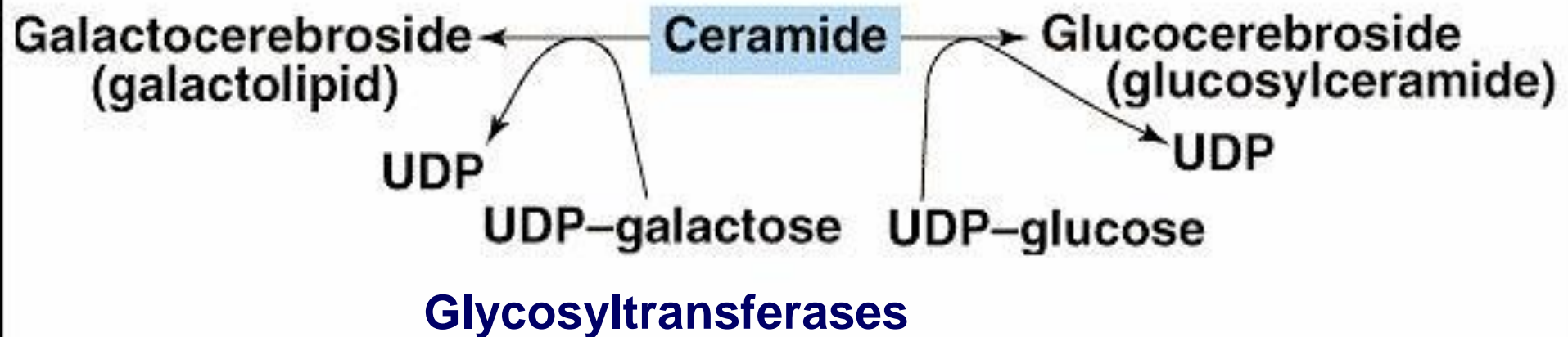


# Activated Donors in Glycolipids Synthesis

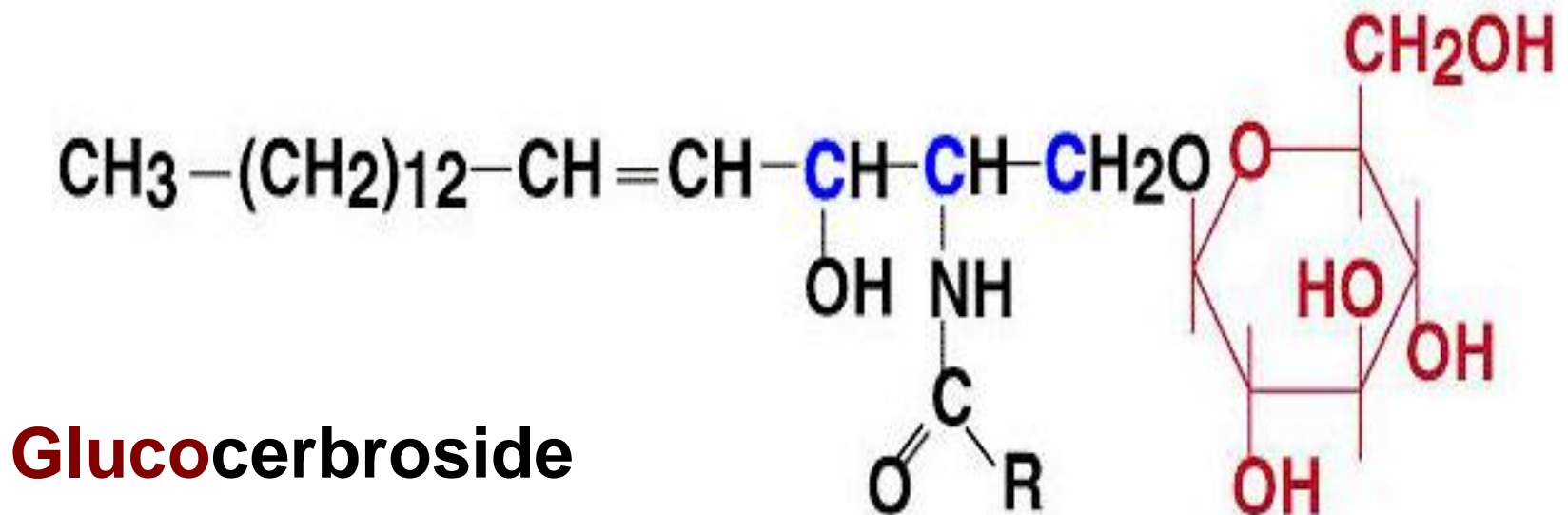
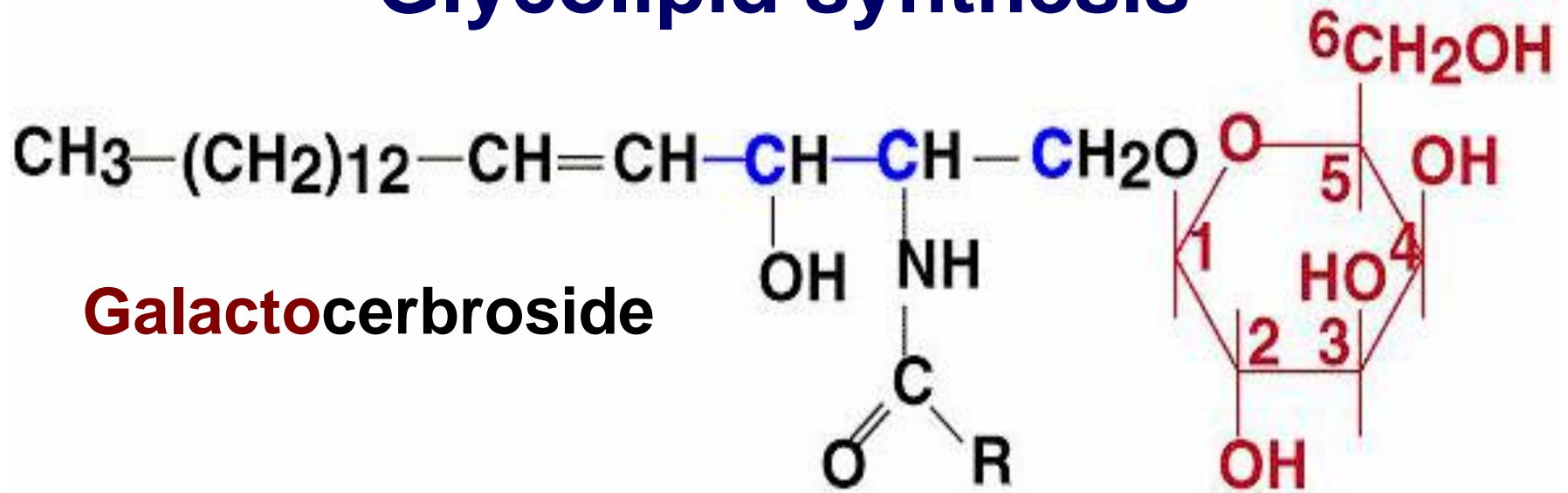
- UDP-**Glucose**
- UDP-**Galactose**
- UDP-**N-Acetylgalctosamine**
- CMP- **N-Acetylneuraminic Acid**



# Glycolipid synthesis

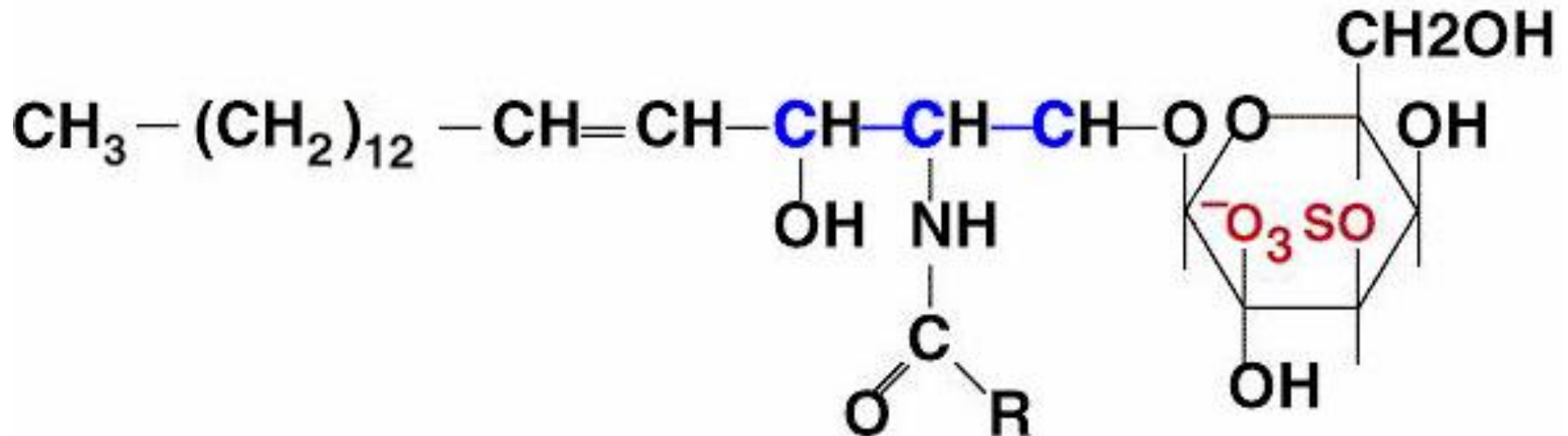


# Glycolipid synthesis

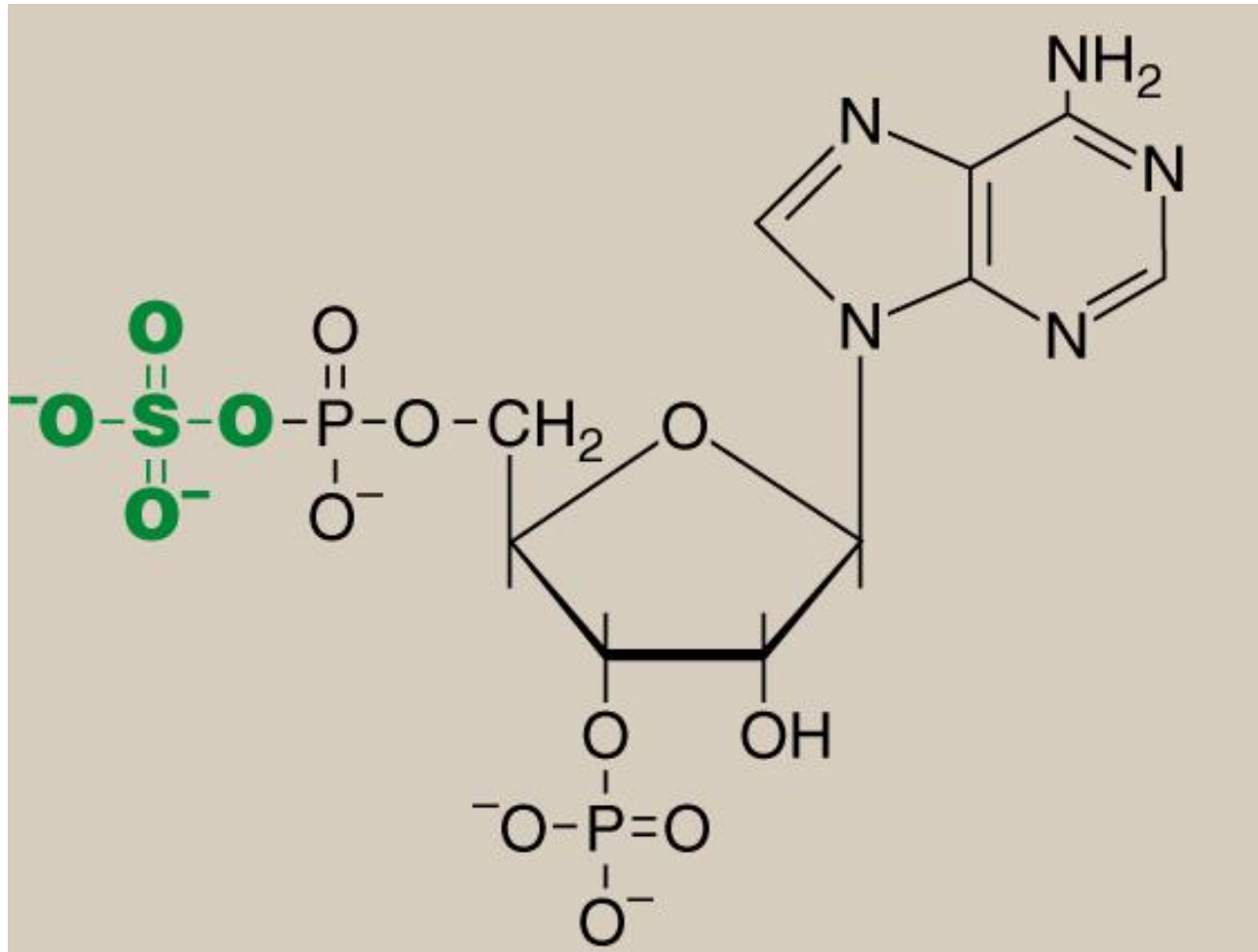


# Glycolipid synthesis

Transfer of Sulfate Group to Galactocerbroside by sulfotransferases Produces **Sulfogalatocerbroside** (Sulfatide)

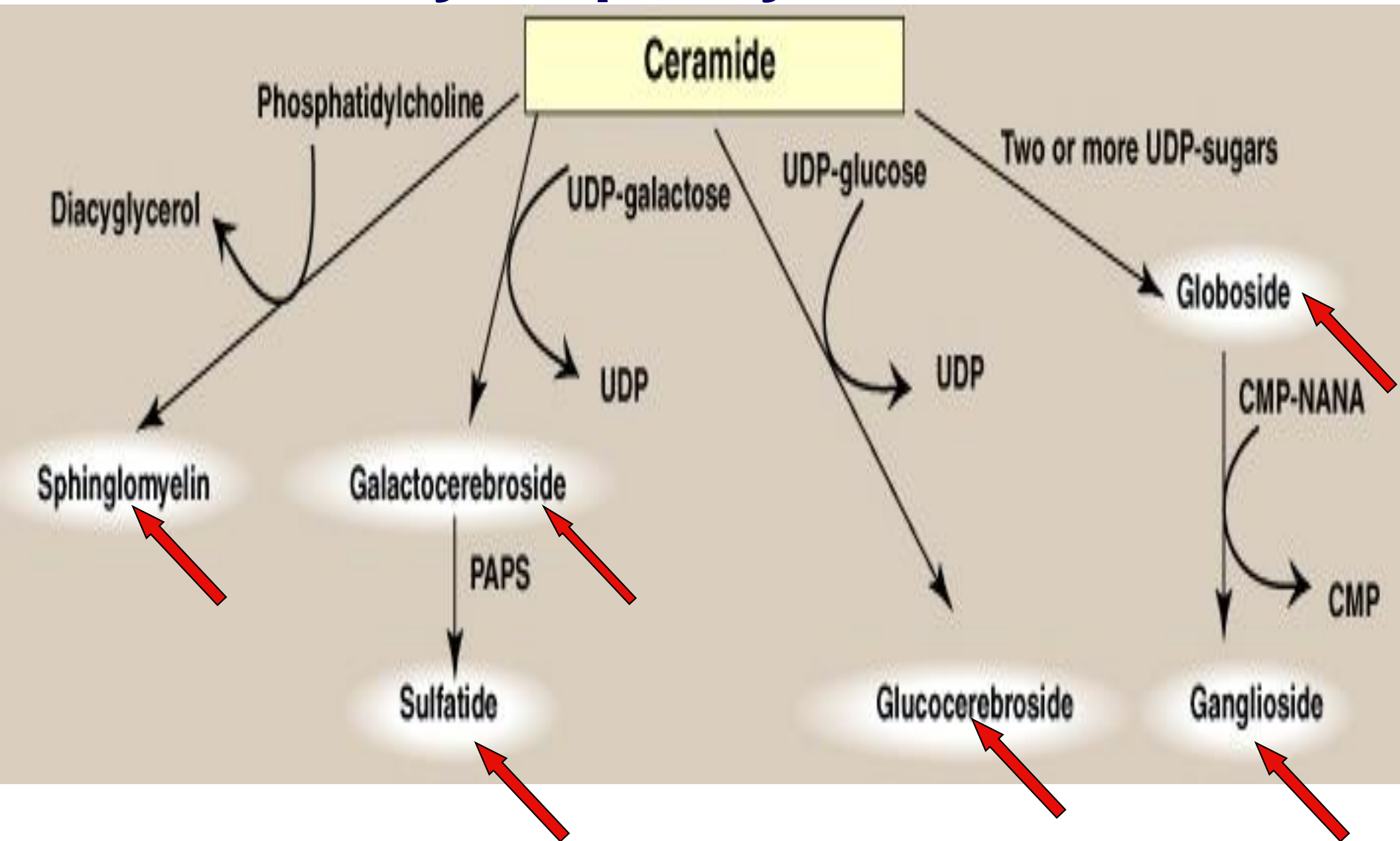


# Sulfate Group Donor



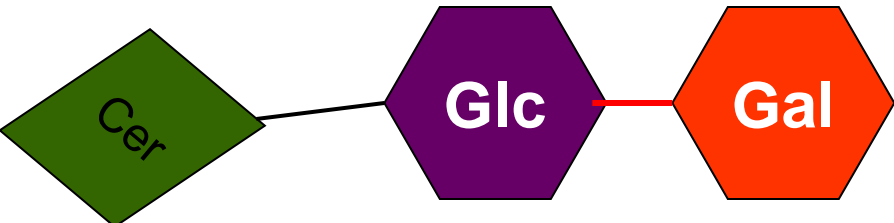
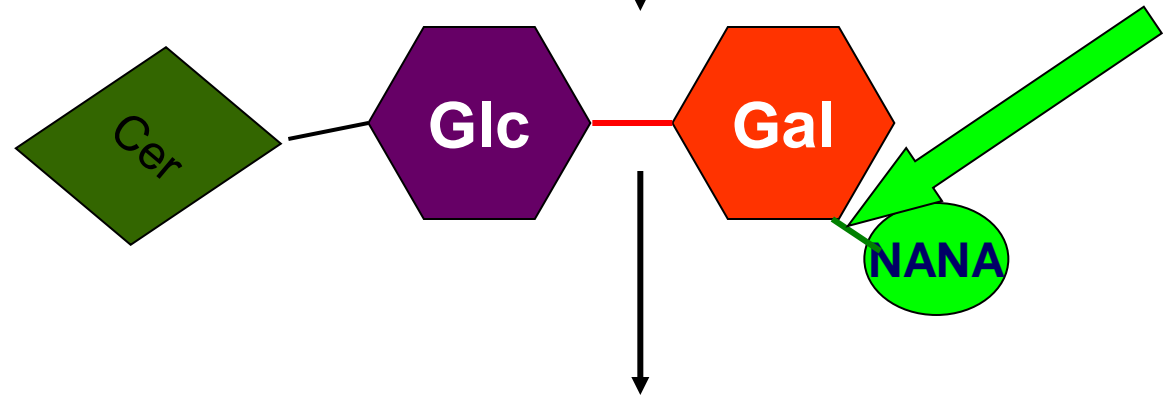
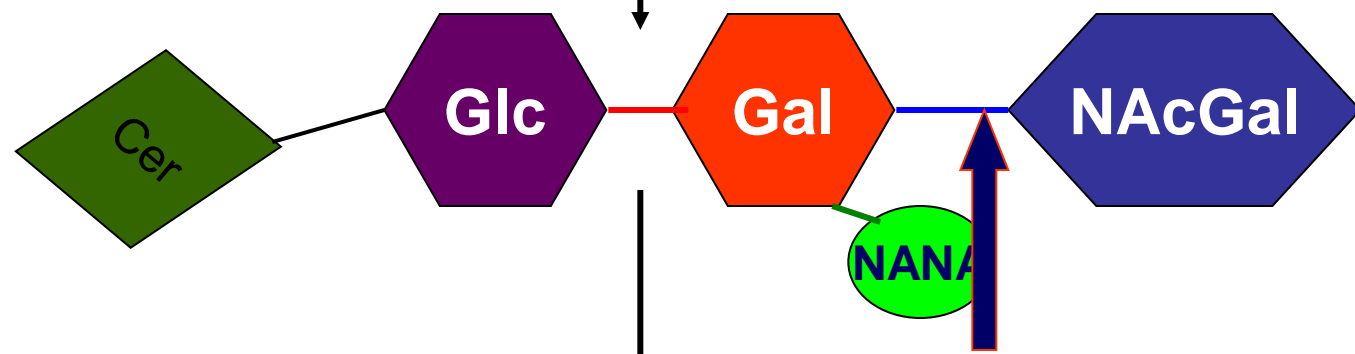
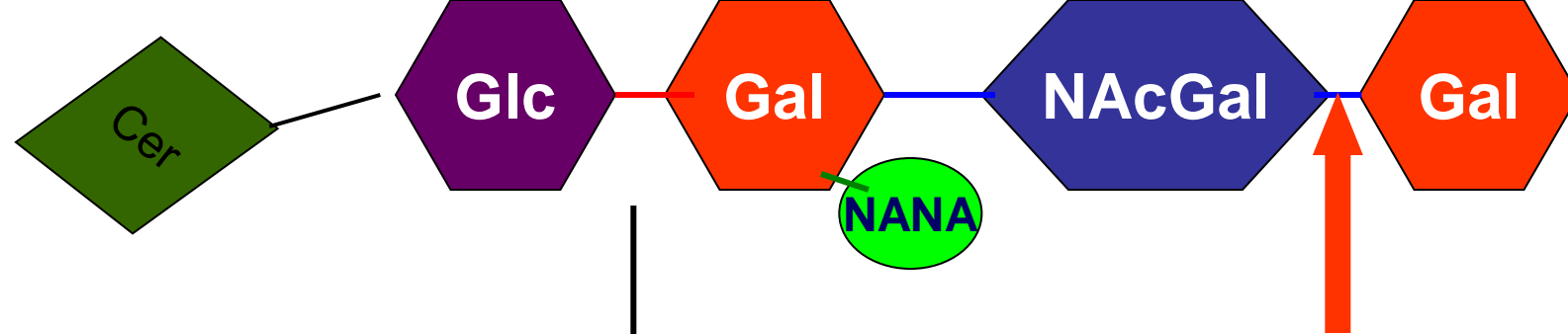
3 **P**hospho**a**denosine 5 **P**hospho**s**ulfate    **PAPS**

# Glycolipid synthesis



# Degradation of Sphingolipids

- ✓ Hydrolytic Enzymes, Specific for the Sugar
  - ✓ -  $\alpha$  **Galactosidase**
    - ✓  $\beta$  **Galactosidase**
    - ✓ **Neuraminidase**
    - ✓ **Hexoaminidase**
- ✓ In Lysosomes
- ✓ Enzymes are firmly Bound to Lysosomal Membrane.
- ✓ The pH Optimum 3.5-5.5
- ✓ Stepwise Sequential Process
- ✓ “Last on, First off”



**Degradation  
of  
Sphingolipids**

**$\beta$ Galactosidase**

**$\beta$ Hexoseaminidase**

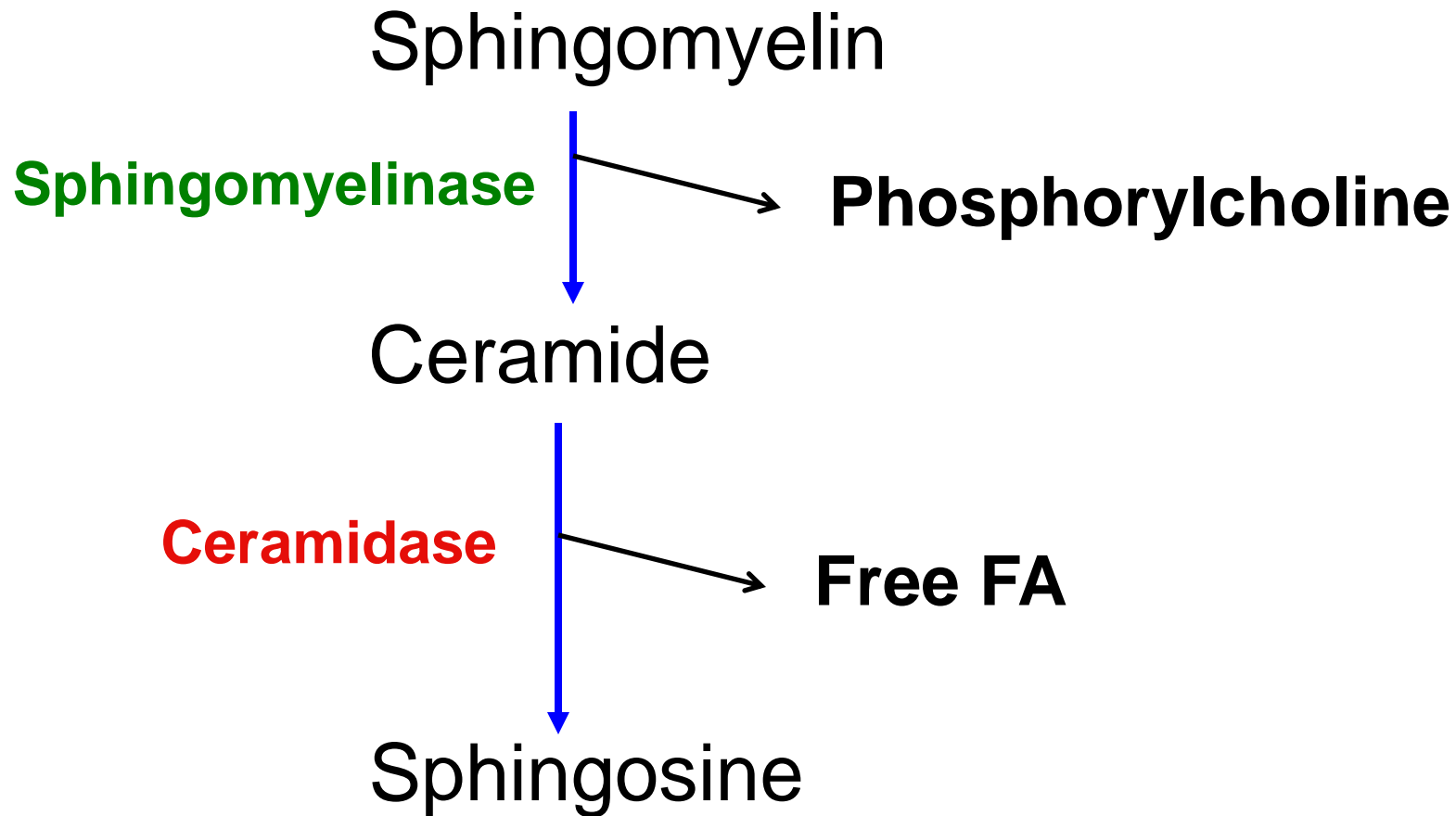
**Neuraminidase**

# Sphingolipidoses

- Lipid Storage Diseases
- Defect in one of the Enzymes (acid hydrolasase)
- Inherited as Autosomal RecessiveDisease
- Accumulation of Specific Lipid  
Substrate of the Defective Enzyme
- Brain is Mostly Affected.
- Extent of Enzyme deficiency is the same in Different Tissues.



# Degradation of Sphingomyelin



### TAY-SACHS DISEASE

- Accumulation of gangliosides (GM<sub>2</sub>)
- Rapid and progressive neurodegeneration
- Blindness
- Cherry-red macula
- Muscular weakness
- Seizures

### GAUCHER DISEASE

- Accumulation of glucocerebrosides
- Most common lysosomal storage disease
- Hepatosplenomegaly
- Osteoporosis of long bones
- CNS involvement in rare infantile and juvenile forms

### METACHROMATIC LEUKODYSTROPHY

- Accumulation of sulfatides
- Cognitive deterioration
- Demyelination
- Progressive paralysis
- Dementia in adult form
- Nerves stain yellowish-brown with cresyl violet (metachromasia)

### KRABBE DISEASE (GLOBOID CELL LEUKODYSTROPHY)

- Accumulation of galactocerebrosides
- Mental and motor deterioration
- Blindness and deafness
- Near-total loss of myelin
- Globoid bodies (glycolipid-laden macrophages) in white matter of brain

### GM<sub>1</sub> GANGLIOSIDOSIS

- Accumulation of gangliosides (GM<sub>1</sub>) and keratan sulfate
- Neurologic deterioration
- Hepatosplenomegaly
- Skeletal deformities
- Cherry-red macula

### SANDHOFF'S DISEASE

- Accumulation of GM<sub>2</sub> and globosides
- Same neurologic symptoms as Tay-Sachs but with visceral involvement as well

### FABRY DISEASE

- Accumulation of globosides
- Reddish-purple skin rash
- Kidney and heart failure
- Burning pain in lower extremities

### NIEMANN-PICK DISEASE

- Accumulation of sphingomyelin
- Hepatosplenomegaly
- Neurodegenerative course (type A)

### FABRY DISEASE

- Accumulation of ceramide
- Painful and progressive joint deformity
- Subcutaneous nodules of lipid-laden cells
- Hoarse cry
- Tissues show granulomas

