

## [NDT] Carbohydrates Cheat Sheet

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## Introduction

**Carbohydrates -** micronutrient; most abundant forms are *sugar*, *fiber* and *starch* 

Preferred source of energy of fats and proteins because

- 1. Can produce ATP through fermentation
- 2. Fats are the most efficient source of fuel
- 3. Prevents protein from being converted to energy
- 4. Cheapest form of energy

## **CHO Classifications**

Monosaco		

Glucose common in nature

Frutose fruit sugar

Galactose

INSULIN and GLUCAGON regulate blood glucose homeostasis

## Disaccharides

Sucrose	table sugar or white sugar	
Lactose	principal CHO of milk	
Maltose	malt sugar	
Polysaccharides		
Starch	Staple grains (rice, wheat corn)	
	legumes (beans and peas)	

root vegetables (fiber)

Glycogen CHO storage form @ liver

Dietary Fibers

natural fiber in food



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