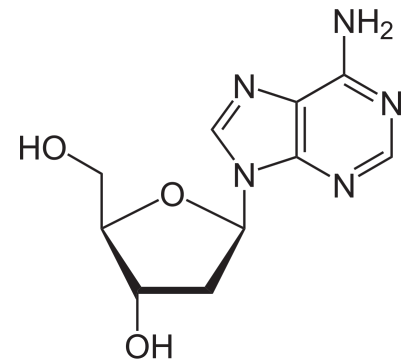


Nucleoside



Nucleosides are glycosylamines that can be thought of as [nucleotides](#) without a phosphate group. A nucleoside consists simply of a [nucleobase](#) (also termed a nitrogenous base) and a five-carbon sugar (either [ribose](#) or [deoxyribose](#)), whereas a [nucleotide](#) is composed of a nucleobase, a five-carbon sugar, and one or more phosphate groups. In a nucleoside, the base is bound to either ribose or deoxyribose via a beta-glycosidic linkage. Examples of nucleosides include [cytidine](#), [uridine](#), [adenosine](#), [guanosine](#), [thymidine](#) and [inosine](#).

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