

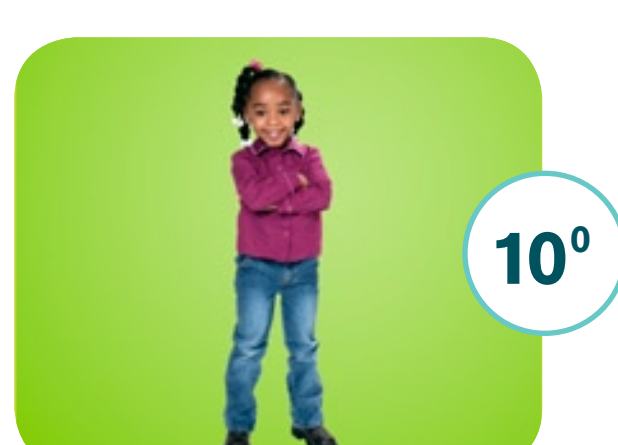
How small is nano?

Measuring different things

Macrosizes

Child

A child is about 1 meter tall
1 meter = 1,000,000,000 nm (1 billion nanometers)



Hand

A hand is about 1 decimeter wide
1 decimeter = 100,000,000 nm (100 million nanometers)



Pinky Finger

A pinky finger is about 1 centimeter wide
1 centimeter = 10,000,000 nm (10 million nanometers)



Freckle

A freckle is about 1 millimeter wide
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Strand of Hair

A hair is about 0.1 (one tenth) of a millimeter wide
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Macrosizes

meters, decimeters, centimeters, millimeters

Microsize

Red Blood Cell

A red blood cell is about 10 micrometers wide
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Bacteria

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Virus

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Microsize

micrometers

Nanosize

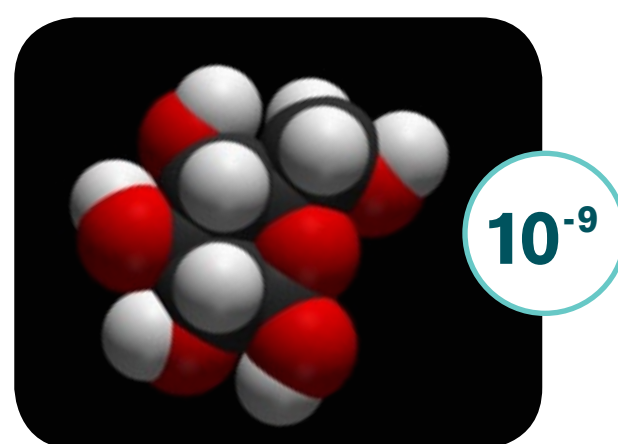
Cell Membrane

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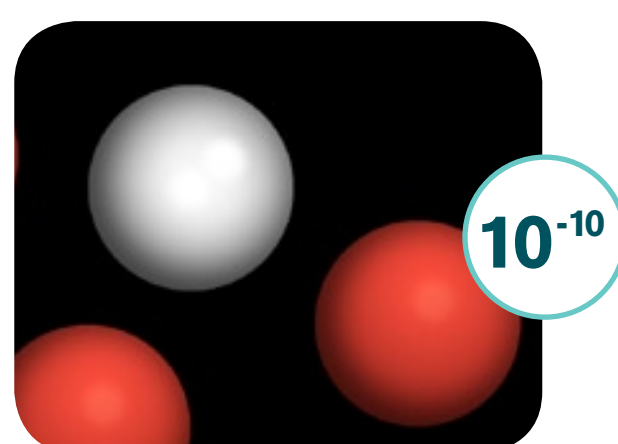
Sugar Molecule

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Nanosize

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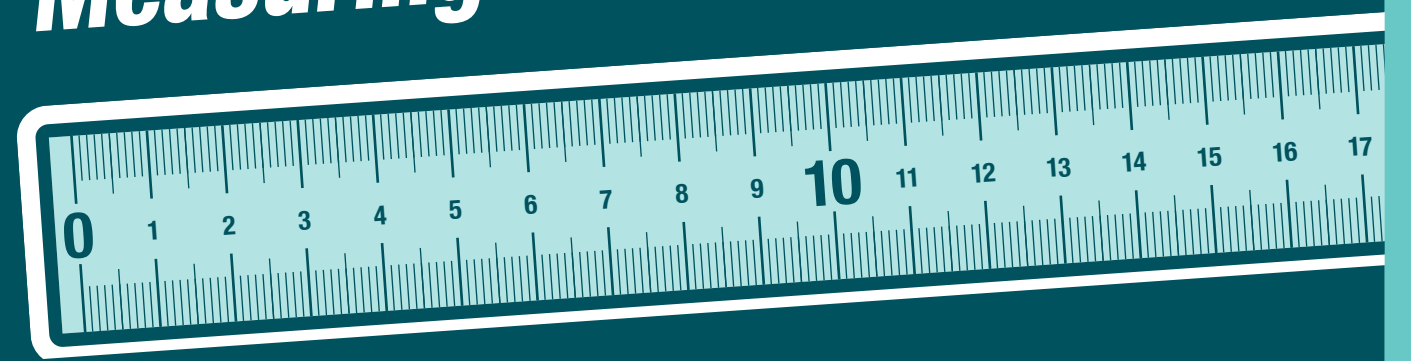
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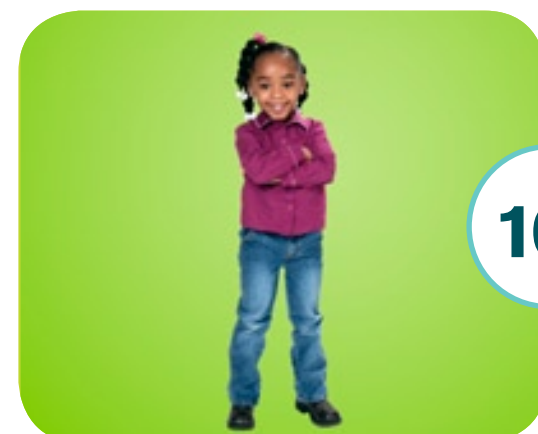
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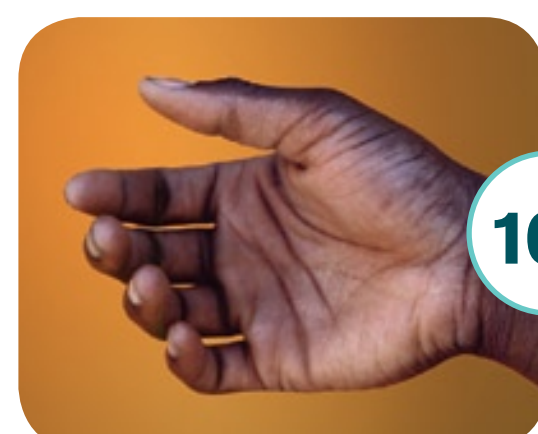
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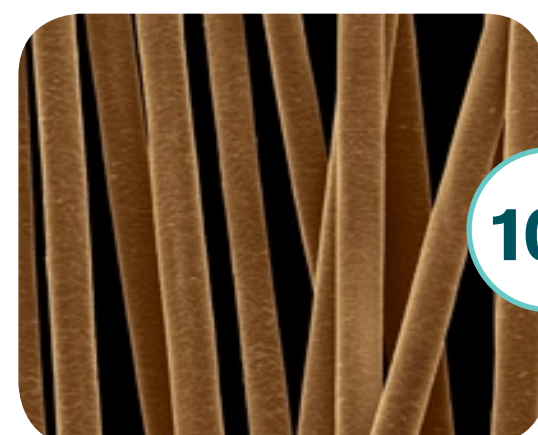
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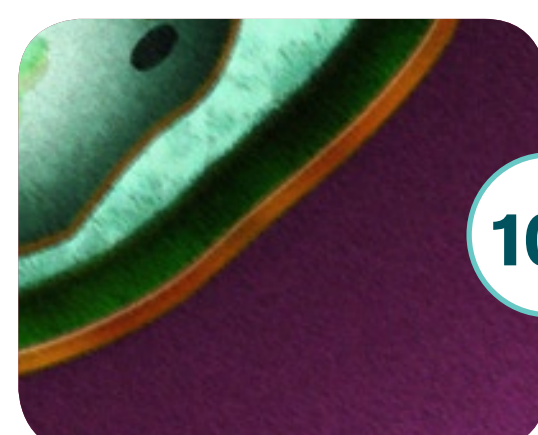
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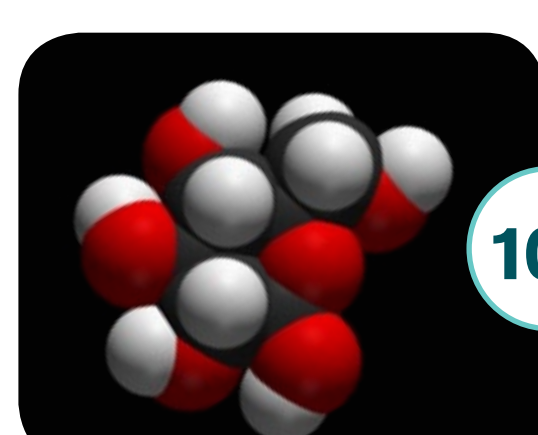
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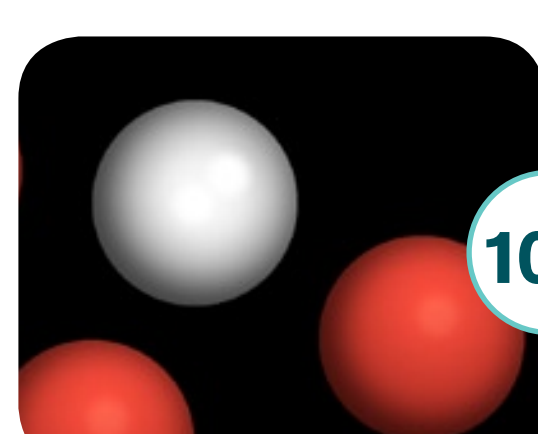
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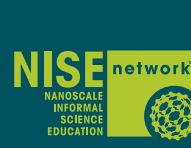


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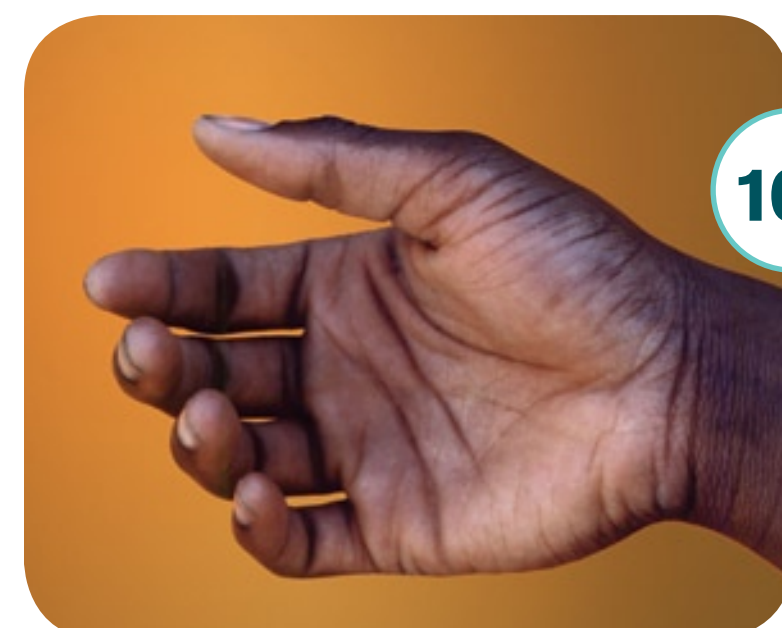
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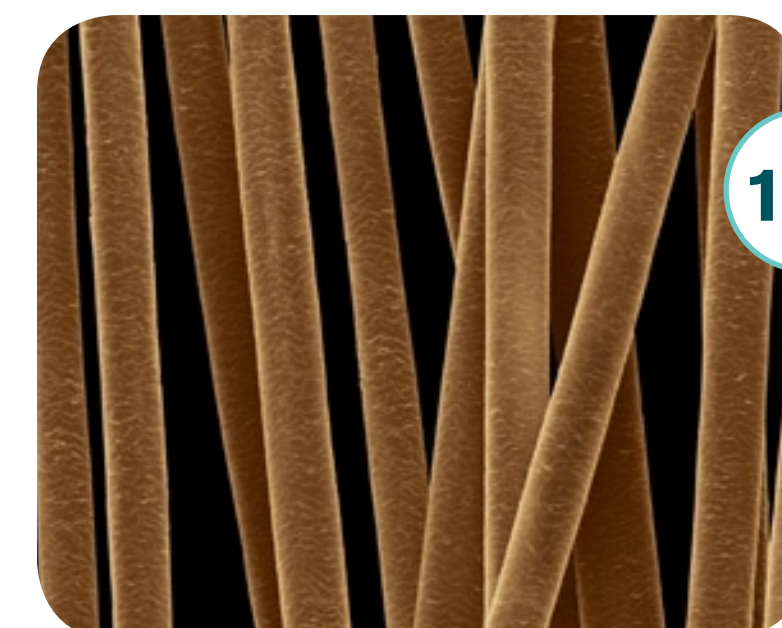
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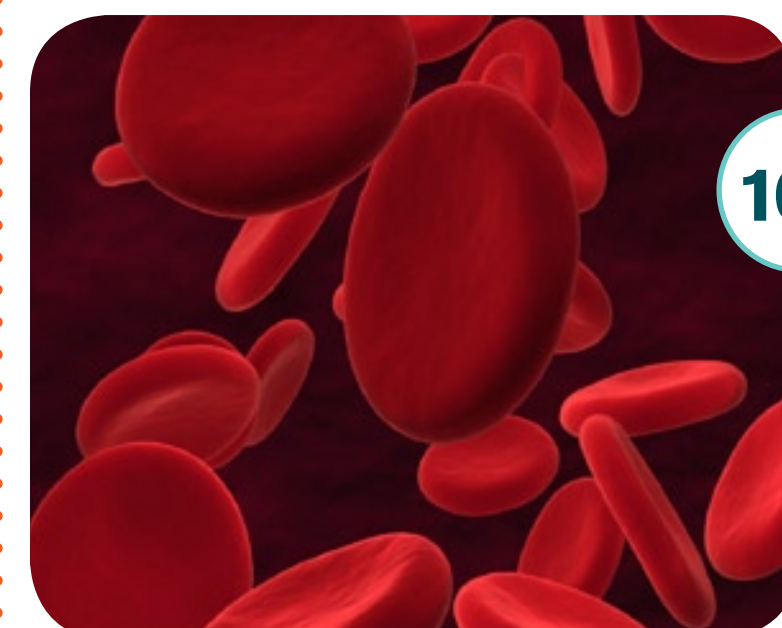
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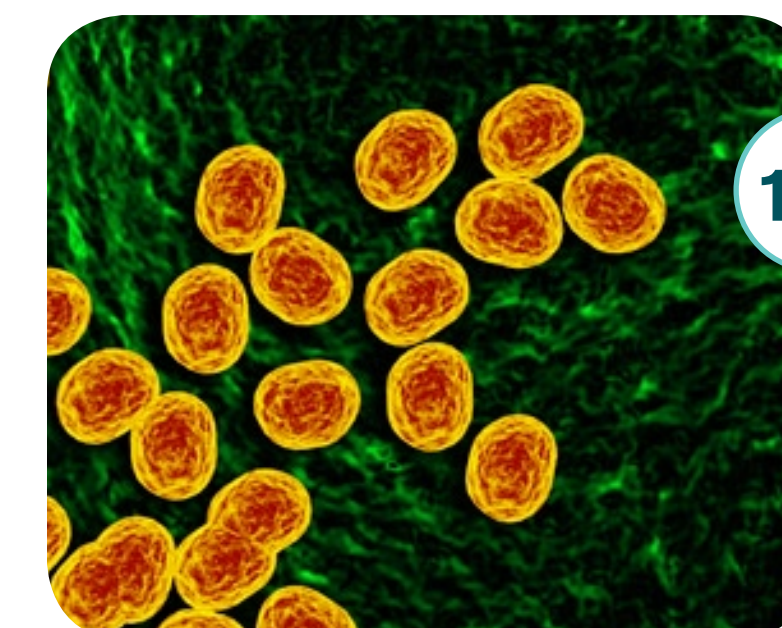
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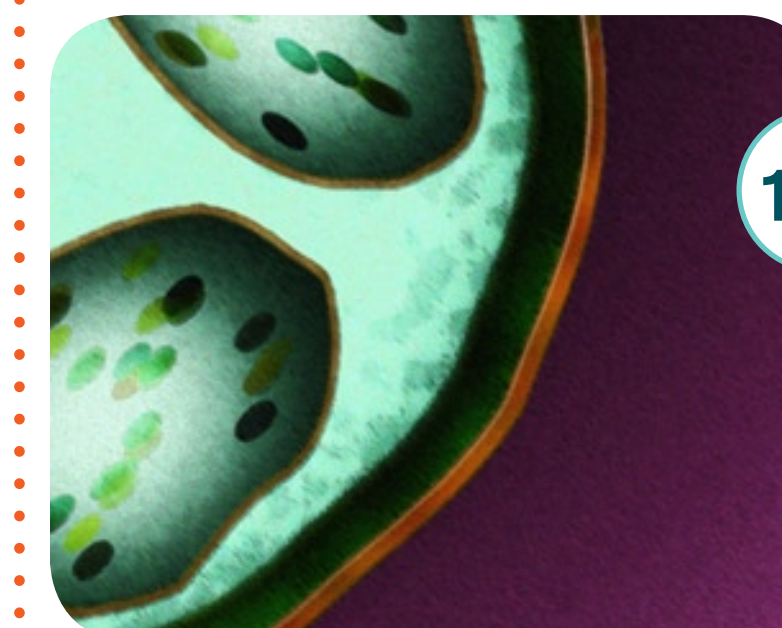
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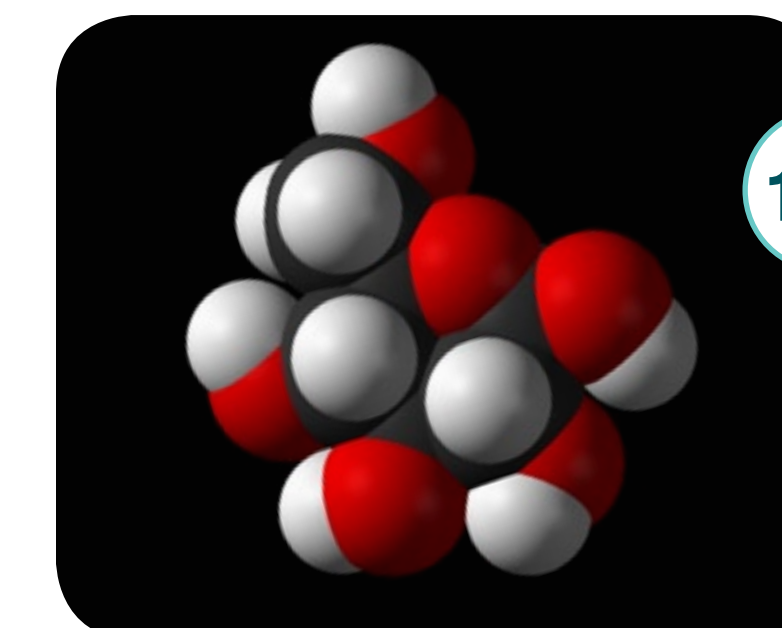
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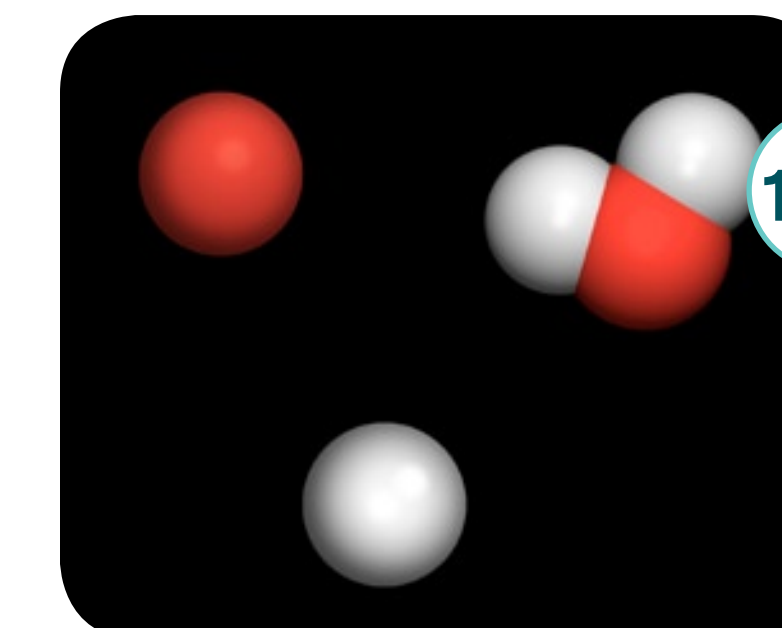
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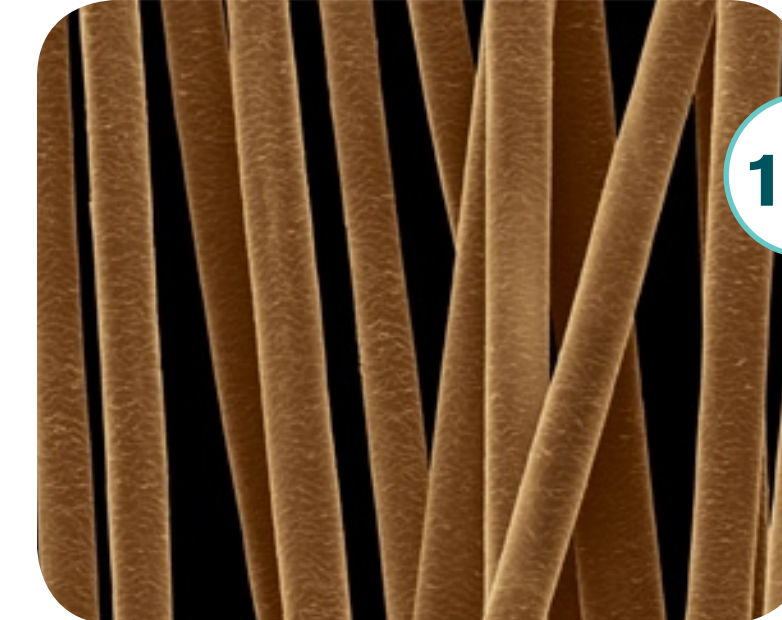
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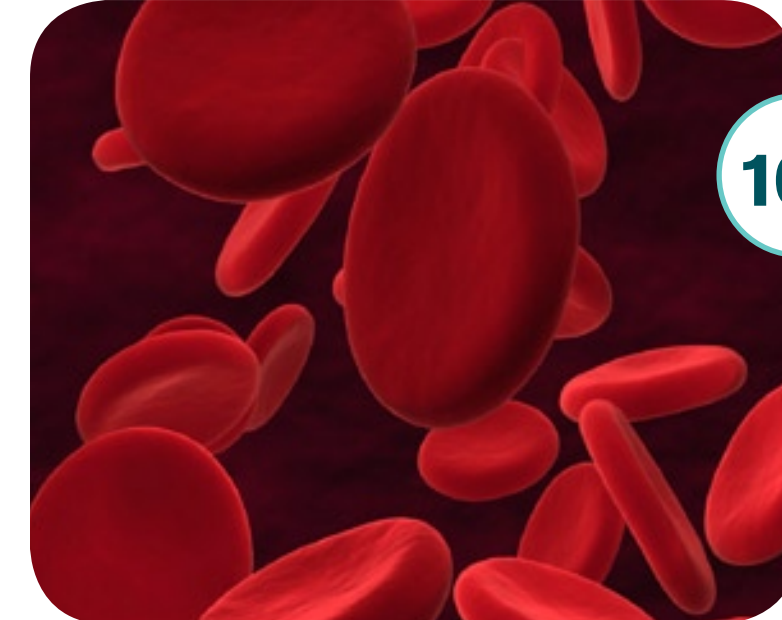
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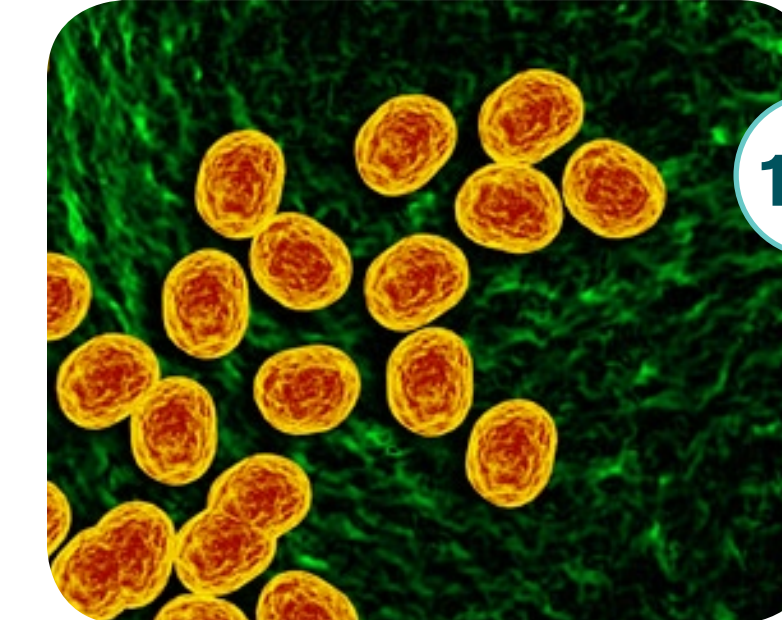
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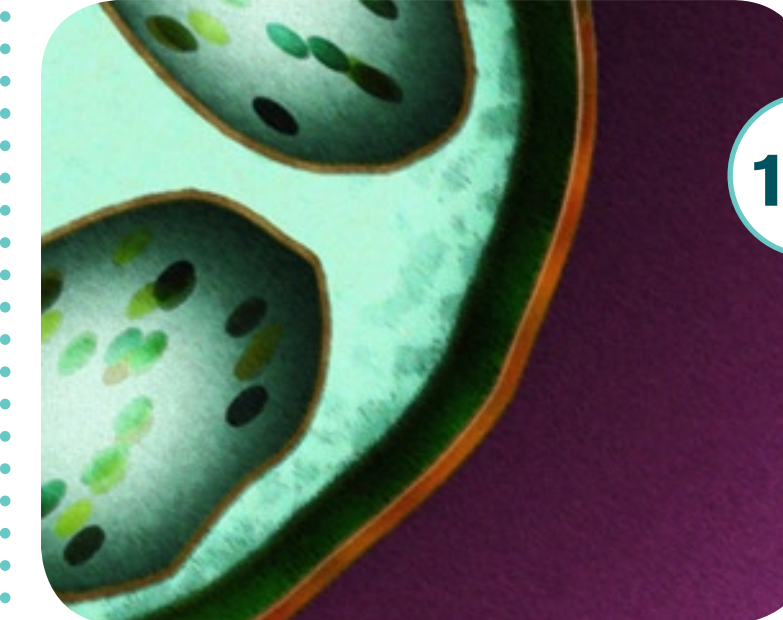
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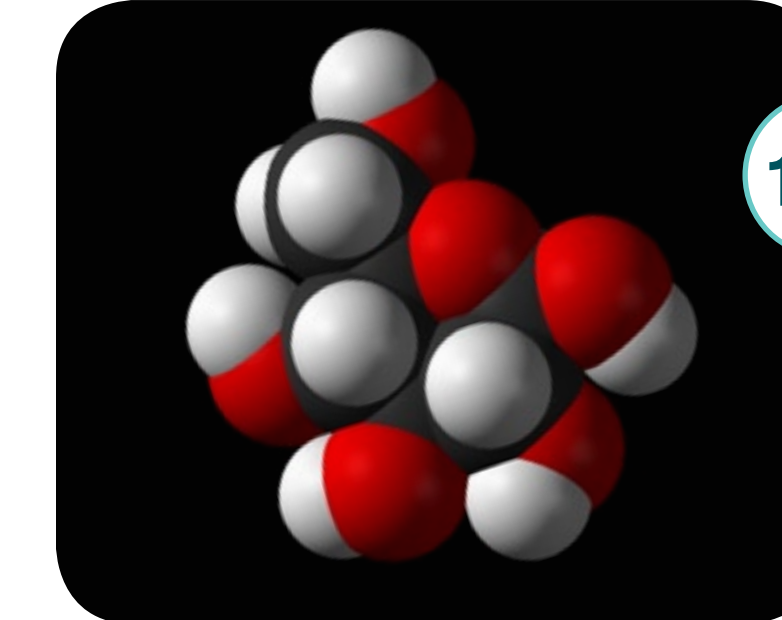
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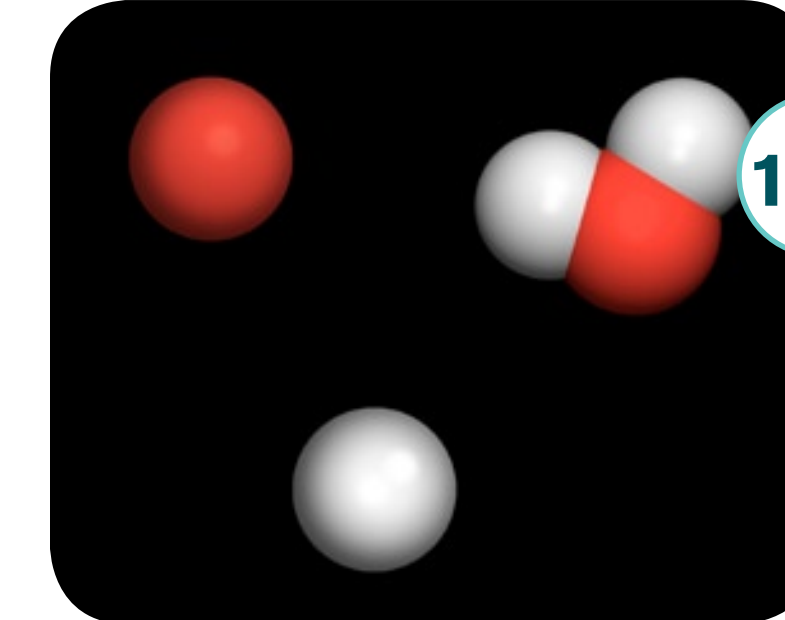
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