Biochemistry Literacy for Kids Course Content

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Sample problems:

I. Oxygen binds to the central iron of hemoglobin's heme. Sketch in the oxygen O2 molecule.



II. Complete the following ion diagram and calculate the charges noting how they change due to "stolen" electrons.



III. Draw the completed phosphatidylcholine in the blank space beside the broken-up structure. Add in the charges to both the left and right structures. Remember that 4 water molecules are removed to complete the structure. Circle where those water molecules came from in the broken-up structure on the left. Label the hydrophobic and hydrophilic areas of the completed phosphatidylcholine molecule.

