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Phosphatidic Acid

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A glycerol backbone covalently bound to a phosphate group in one position, and fatty acids in the 2nd and 3rd positions. Phosphatidic acids thus have a polar head and apolar tails, and occur in cell membranes throughout nature.