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Sphingolipid

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Any lipid derived from the aliphatic amino alcohol sphingosine, in which a single fatty acid is covalently bound to sphingosine via an amide linkage. Various ester-linked substituents can result in generation of ceramides, sphingomyelins and glycosphingolipids.