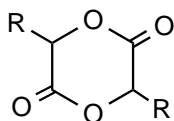


## **lactides**

Cyclic *esters* derived by multiple esterification between two (usually) or more molecules of lactic acid or other hydroxy *carboxylic acids*. They are designated as dilactides, trilactides, etc. according to the number of hydroxy acid residues, e.g. a dilactide (a 1,4-dioxane-2,5-dione):



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