

phospho

1. A prefix used in biochemical nomenclature in place of *phosphono* to denote the $-\text{P}(=\text{O})(\text{OH})_2$ group linked to a heteroatom, e.g. $\text{Me}_3\text{N}^+-\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2-\text{OP}(=\text{O})(\text{OH})\text{O}^-$ phosphocholine.
2. An infix used in biochemical nomenclature to name phosphoric diesters, e.g. glycerophosphocholine.

See *phosphoglycerides*.

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