

BIOORGANIC CHEMISTRY

UNIT-1: Amino Acids and Proteins

Structure, classification, synthesis and properties of amino acids, isoelectric point, biosynthesis of amino acids. Peptides: oligo- and polypeptides, geometry of peptide linkage, N-terminal and C-terminal residue analysis, synthesis of peptides-amino and carboxyl protecting groups-solid phase peptide synthesis. Proteins: classification and properties (denaturation, isoelectric point and electrophoresis), primary, secondary, tertiary and quaternary structures of proteins, collagen and triple helix.

UNIT-2: Enzymes and Cofactors

Mechanism of enzyme catalysis, Factors influencing enzyme action, Examples of typical enzyme mechanisms: chymotrypsin, ribonuclease and lysozyme, Enzyme-catalyzed addition, elimination, condensation, carboxylation and decarboxylation, isomerisation, group transfer and rearrangement reactions-structure and biological functions of coenzyme A, thiamine pyrophosphate, pyridoxal phosphate, NAD^+ , NADP^+ , FMN, FAD, lipoic acid and Vitamin B12. Mechanisms of reactions catalysed by the above cofactors.

UNIT-III: Nucleic Acids and Protein Synthesis

Nucleotides and nucleosides, DNA: primary and secondary structure-replication of DNA. RNA and protein synthesis: Messenger RNA synthesis-transcription, Ribosomes-rRNA, Transfer RNA, genetic code-translation. Determination of base sequence of DNA. Polymerase Chain Reaction (PCR). Antisense technology in chemotherapy and other nucleic acid-targeted drugs-intercalators, sequence specific drugs. A brief account of ribosome and iRNA.

UNIT-IV: Lead and Analogue Synthesis-1

Designing organic synthesis-disconnection approach-synthons and synthetic equivalents-one group disconnections: alcohol, olefin, ketone, acids-two group disconnections: 1,2-, 1,3-, 1,4- and 1,5-difunctional compounds-convergent synthesis-functional group interconversions- functional group additions-carbon-heteroatom bonds-methods for 3- to 6-membered rings.

UNIT-V: Lead and Analogue Synthesis-2

Combinatorial synthesis in medicinal chemistry: Solid phase techniques-methods of parallel synthesis-mix and split techniques-dynamic combinatorial chemistry-screening and deconvolution-limitations of combinatorial synthesis

Asymmetric synthesis: basic principles-stereoselective and stereospecific reactions- methods for determining enantiomeric excess-chiral auxiliary,

reagents and catalysts and their applications (wherever applicable) in alkylation, hydrogenation, hydroxylation, epoxidation and hydroboration of alkenes, reduction of ketones-Cram and Felkin-ahn models. Noyori's BINAP – Jacobson catalyst – Evans catalyst.

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