

ELECTIVE COURSE III-2: MOLECULAR MODELING AND DRUG DESIGNING

UNIT- I

Introduction to the concept of molecular modeling, molecular structure and internal energy, applications of molecular graphics, coordinate systems, potential energy surfaces,

-local and global energy minima.

Molecular mechanics: general features of molecular mechanics- force field, bond stretching, angle bending, torsional terms, non-bonded interactions; force field parametrisation and transferability; energy minimization: derivative and non-derivative methods, applications of energy minimization.

UNIT -II

Molecular dynamics simulation methods: molecular dynamics using simple models, molecular dynamics with continuous potential-setting up and running a molecular dynamic simulation, constraint dynamics; Monte Carlo simulation of molecules.-Simulation for conformational analysis. *Ab initio*, dft and semi empirical methods.

UNIT- III

Recent advances in drug design methodologies- Biomolecular structure, Structure activity relationship, Pharmacokinetics, Pharmacophoric pattern, ADME Properties, quantitative structure activity relationship, Use of genetic algorithms and principle component analysis in the QSAR equations.

UNIT -IV

Macromolecular modeling- Software tools for modeling bio-molecules. Molecular electrostatic potentials, charge analyses. Protein conformations, folding and mutation through modeling-design of ligands for known macro molecular target sites.

Drug-receptor interaction, classical SAR/QSAR studies and their implications to the 3-D

modeler, 2-D and 3-D database searching, pharmacophore identification and novel drug design.

UNIT -V

Molecular docking: Docking-Rigid and Flexible Structure-based drug design for all classes of targets- Theories of enzyme inhibition - Enzyme Inhibition strategies.- Enzyme inhibition as a tool for drug development –Examples.

Finding new drug targets to treat disease- strategies for target identification and lead design- Use of Genomics and Proteomics for understanding diseases at molecular level- -new targets for anti-cancer drugs, Drugs that rescue mutant p53's.

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