

CC – VIII EXPERIMENTAL TECHNIQUES FOR BIOMOLECULES

UNIT – I

Isolation and purification of proteins - Crystallization of protein – Crystal Structure – Bravais Lattice – Symmetry elements and operations – Point groups – Space groups – Bragg's law – X-ray diffraction - Proteins structure determination by X-ray diffraction - Phase determination - Calculation of electron density map - Interpretation of electron density map - Refinement of the structures - Electron crystallography of proteins – High throughput techniques in Crystallography

UNIT – II

Electronic energy levels – electronic transitions – selection rules – types of spectra – IR, UV – visible spectroscopy - Measurement of Infrared (IR) spectrum – Theory of IR spectroscopy – IR spectra of polyatomic molecules – biological examples – Theory of UV - visible spectroscopy – application of UV spectra to proteins – measurement of molecular dynamics by fluorescence spectroscopy

UNIT – III

The principle of Nuclear Spin – Spin flipping – theory of Nuclear Magnetic Resonance – spectral parameters in NMR – intensity, chemical shift, spin-spin coupling, relaxation times, line widths, nuclear Overhauser effect (NOE), chemical exchange, paramagnetic centers – application of NMR in biomolecular structure determination.

UNIT – IV

Principles of electrophoresis – SDS PAGE – Molecular weight determination of proteins - 2D-gel electrophoresis – capillary electrophoresis - principles of chromatography – Gel & ion exchange chromatography – applications

UNIT – V

Micro array techniques and their applications in biology - Mass spectroscopy - ESI and MALDI-TOF - protein finger printing.

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