

BITS Pilani, Dubai Campus

1st Semester 2013-2014

Biological Chemistry BIOT F211

Compre Exam

Date: 29/12/13 (Su)

Duration: 3 hours

Weightage: 40% (Max Marks 40)

Answer all the questions in a sequence. Draw structures wherever necessary.

- Q1a. Explain the transamination reaction along with the cofactors involved. [2]
b. How are steroid hormones different from the non steroid hormones? [2]
c. Explain the synthesis of AMP from IMP. Mention the cofactors and enzymes involved in the synthesis reaction(s). [2]
d. What are uncouplers? Give an example of an uncoupler. [2]
e. Complete the following table [2]

Precursor	Vitamin	Role	Source	Deficiency
Ascorbic acid				
Folic acid				

- Q2a. What are ketone bodies? How and when are they formed? [2]
b. Give the salient features of the Urea cycle. [3]
c. What are the three irreversible reaction of the glycolytic pathway? [3]
d. Differentiate between competitive and non competitive inhibitors. [2]
- Q3a. Explain the reactions involved in the β -oxidation of fatty acids. [4]
b. Give the salient features of the light dependent reactions of photosynthesis. [2]
c. Describe the chemiosmotic theory of Peter Mitchell. [4]
- Q4a. Explain the activation of adenylate cyclase by heteromeric G proteins. [3]
b. Describe complex II of ETC. [3]
c. Why do photosynthetic prokaryotes other than cyanobacteria do not produce oxygen? [1]
d. What are steroids? Give example of any two steroids and mention their roles. [3]

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Test – 2 (Open book)

Date: 21-11-13 (Th)

Duration: 50 minutes

Weightage: 20% (Max Marks 20)

Answer all the questions in a sequence

- 1a. Justify, Pyruvate dehydrogenase is a holoenzyme. [2]
- b. In many cases biochemical reactions are coupled. In these cases, where does the energy come from to drive endergonic reactions? [2]
- c. Insulin facilitates energy storage in liver. Which enzymes of carbohydrate metabolism are coordinately regulated in liver in response to insulin signaling? Justify. [2]
- 2a. Why is it essential for humans to have a constant supply of vitamins in the body? Explain with examples. [2]
- b. Triose phosphate isomerase catalyzes the conversion of dihydroxyacetone-P to glyceraldehyde-3-P. The ΔG° for this reaction is +7.6 kJ/mol. However, the observed free energy change (ΔG) for this reaction in erythrocytes is +2.4 kJ/mol. Assume that $T = 300\text{K}$ and $R = 8.31 \text{ Jmol}^{-1}\text{K}^{-1}$. Calculate the ratio of glyceraldehyde-3-P to dihydroxyacetone in erythrocytes. [3]
- c. Glycogen anabolism makes use of a unique dimeric protein. Explain the role of this protein in glycogen anabolism. [2]
- 3a. What is the role of Vitamin B9? [2]
- b. Justify the formation of lactic acid in the muscle cells during rigorous exercise. [2]
- c. Which is the pathway that contributes towards the anabolic reaction of the cell? Give its significance. [3]

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Test – 1 (Close book)

Date: 26/9/13 (Th)

Duration: 50 minutes

Weightage: 25% (Max Marks 25)

Answer all the questions in a sequence

- Q1a. Explain in brief the functions of any five membrane bound cell organelles. (Tabulate your answers) [5]
- b. What is meant by the term isoelectric pH? How can you determine the isoelectric pH of any amino acid? [3]
- c. What are Ramachandran angles? What is the significance of these angles in protein study? [2]
- Q2a. Give any two examples of following [4]
- i. amino acids with a positively charged R-group
 - ii. Organelles not bound by a cell membrane
 - iii. peptide with nine amino acid residues
 - iv. fatty acid esters of phosphatidic acid
- b. Justify, 'Amino acids possess at least two pK values'. [2]
- c. Diagrammatically explain the Greek Key motif. [2]
- Q3a. What is the role of sphingolipids in plants and animals? [2]
- b. Explain the different forces that stabilize the tertiary structure of proteins. [4]
- c. What are allosteric proteins? [1]

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QUIZ-2 [28.11.13]

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TITLE: BIOLOGICAL CHEMISTRY

MAXIMUM MARKS:7

DURATION: 20 min.

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1. List any two electron carries that form semiquinone radical. [1]
2. What is the unique feature of Heme a? [0.5]
3. _____ is the inhibitor of complex I and _____ is the inhibitor of complex III of the ETC. [1]
4. Name the enzyme that catalyzes the following reaction: [0.5]
$$\text{QH}_2 + 2 \text{ ferricytochrome } c \leftrightarrow \text{Q} + 2 \text{ ferrocycytochrome } c + 2 \text{ H}^+$$

4. What are isozymes? Give an example. [1]

5. What are reducing sugars? Mention a test for detecting the presence of reducing sugars. [1]

6. What are allosteric enzymes? What is their importance in biological processes? [1]

7. Mention the monomeric units and the linkage involved in the formation of chitin and Glycogen. [1]

8. Give the Michaelis Menten equation and explain the importance K_m and V_{max} . [2]