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Bachelor's Degree Examination – November 2024
III Semester

Class : II UG

Major : Biochemistry and Biotechnology

Time: 3 Hours

Max. Marks: 100

23BBCC03 Proteins and Enzymes

Course Outcomes:

- CO1:** Describe the isolation and purification of protein by various methods and to estimate the amount of proteins
- CO2:** Classify the protein based on structure, solubility and function. Understand the methods of sequencing of aminoacids and proteins
- CO3:** Acquire theoretical knowledge on various methods of measurement of enzymatic reactions and understanding the enzyme kinetics and the mechanism of action of enzymes
- CO4:** Appreciate the role of enzyme in regulation of metabolism
- CO5:** Understanding the role of enzymes in clinical diagnosis and industries

Part A

10 x 1 = 10

Choose the Correct Answer

1. Which of the following is NOT a common method for cell lysis? CO1 K1
 - a. Sonication
 - b. Freeze-thaw cycles
 - c. Centrifugation
 - d. Homogenization
2. Which chromatography technique separates proteins based on their size? CO1K2
 - a. Ion exchange chromatography
 - b. Affinity chromatography
 - c. Size exclusion chromatography
 - d. Reverse phase chromatography
3. Which of the following proteins is water-soluble? CO2 K3
 - a. Collagen
 - b. Haemoglobin
 - c. Keratin
 - d. Actin
4. Edman degradation is used for determining CO2 K2
 - a. The complete 3D structure of proteins
 - b. The N-terminal amino acid sequence
 - c. The disulfide bond locations
 - d. The C-terminal amino acid sequence
5. The term "enzyme" was first coined by: CO3 K1
 - a. Emil Fischer
 - b. Wilhelm Kühne
 - c. James Sumner
 - d. Eduard Buchner
6. In a Lineweaver-Burk plot, the x-intercept gives: CO3 K1
 - a. Vmax
 - b. Km
 - c. 1/Vmax
 - d. -1/Km
7. The unit of enzyme activity, defined as the amount of enzyme that converts 1 micromole of substrate per minute, is called: CO4 K2
 - a. Turnover number
 - b. Enzyme unit (U)
 - c. Katal
 - d. Michaelis constant
8. The cofactor required by many redox enzymes, such as those in the electron transport chain, is: CO4 K1
 - a. Iron (Fe)
 - b. Calcium (Ca)
 - c. Zinc (Zn)
 - d. Potassium (K)
9. Which enzyme is commonly used in the textile industry to remove starch from fabrics? CO5 K3
 - a. Amylase
 - b. Protease
 - c. Lipase
 - d. Cellulase
10. The principle behind enzyme biosensors is based on: CO5 K3
 - a. The ability of enzymes to convert substrates into detectable products
 - b. The use of enzymes to inhibit biosensor function
 - c. Random enzyme binding to electrodes
 - d. Synthesizing proteins

Part B

5 x 6 = 30

Answer ALL questions

Each answer should not exceed 400 words or two pages

- 11.a. Describe techniques such as salting out and solvent precipitation. CO1 K1
(or)
- 11.b. Explain affinity chromatography and its application in protein purification. CO1 K1
- 12.a. Define primary structure and its significance in protein function. CO2 K1
(or)
- 12.b. Discuss the structural and functional importance of secondary structures in proteins. CO2 K2
- 13.a. Explain how enzyme concentration influences reaction rate and the concept of saturation kinetics. CO3 K2
(or)
- 13.b. Discuss the role of lysozyme in bacterial cell wall degradation, including its substrate and mechanism. CO3 K2
- 14.a. Define enzyme units (U), turnover number (kcat), and katal as enzyme activity measurements. CO4 K1
(or)
- 14.b. Define feedback inhibition and explain its significance in maintaining metabolic balance. CO4 K1
- 15.a. Discuss how enzymes are used in diagnostic tools like ELISA (Enzyme-Linked Immunosorbent Assay) for disease detection. CO5 K2
(or)
- 15.b. Define enzyme electrodes and biosensors, and explain how they work. CO5 K1

Part C

5 x 12 = 60

Answer ALL questions

Each answer should not exceed 800 words or four pages

- 16.a. Describe the process of isolating and extracting proteins from a biological sample. CO1 K1
(or)
- 16.b. Describe the methods used for protein estimation in biological samples. CO1 K1
- 17.a. Discuss protein denaturation and renaturation, citing Anfinsen's experiment as an example. CO2 K2
(or)
- 17.b. Outline the Edman degradation method for protein sequencing and its role in determining amino acid composition. CO2 K4
- 18.a. Describe the Michaelis-Menten equation and its significance in enzyme kinetics. CO3 K1
(or)
- 18.b. Explain competitive, non-competitive, and uncompetitive inhibition of enzymes. CO3 K2
- 19.a. Describe the different methods used to measure the rate of enzymatic reactions. CO4 K1
(or)
- 19.b. Explain the role of vitamins and trace elements in enzyme function, give some examples of coenzymes and cofactors. CO4 K2
- 20.a. Describe the chemical synthesis of peptides in solution and solid phase. CO5 K1
(or)
- 20.b. Discuss the key biocatalyst properties that are altered through protein engineering. CO5 K2