

NOTIFICATION

Sub: Amendment to Ordinance V

[E.C Resolution No. 14/ (14-1-4) dated 09.06.2023]

Following addition be made to Appendix-II-A to the Ordinance V (2-A) of the Ordinances of the University;

Add the following:

Syllabi of Semester-IV, V and VI of the following departments under Faculty of Interdisciplinary and Applied Sciences based on Under Graduate Curriculum Framework -2022 implemented from the Academic Year 2022-23.

**DEPARTMENT OF BIOCHEMISTRY
BSc. (Hons.) Biochemistry
Semester IV**

**DISCIPLINE SPECIFIC CORE COURSE - (DSC-10)
METABOLISM OF AMINO ACIDS AND NUCLEOTIDES**

CREDIT DISTRIBUTION, ELIGIBILITY AND PRE-REQUISITES OF THE COURSE

Course title & Code	Credits	Credit distribution of the course			Eligibility criteria	Pre-requisite of the course (if any)
		Lecture	Tutorial	Practical/ Practice		
Metabolism of Amino Acids and Nucleotides (BCH-DSC-401)	4	2L	00	2P	Class XII with Science and Biology	NIL

Learning Objectives

The main objective of the course is to offer detailed and comprehensive knowledge about the synthesis and degradation pathways of amino acids and nucleotides and their importance in the proper functioning of the cells. This course also interrelates the metabolism of these

molecules with respect to health diseases in addition to providing an overview of inhibitors of metabolism for treating the diseases of metabolic disorders.

Learning outcomes

On successful completion of the course, students will be able to:

1. Explain the importance of nitrogen cycle.
2. Explain the degradation and biosynthetic pathways of amino acids and nucleotides in humans.
3. Discuss the importance of amino acids as precursors to a variety of important biomolecules.
4. Examine the role of inhibitors of nucleotide metabolism as chemotherapeutic drugs
5. Discuss the integration of the amino acid, nucleotide, carbohydrate and lipid metabolism

SYLLABUS OF DSC-10

BCH-DSC-10 : METABOLISM OF AMINO ACID AND NUCLEOTIDES Semester – IV

THEORY (Credits 2)

Total Hours: 30

Unit I: Overview of Nitrogen and Amino Acid Metabolism (6 Hours)

Nitrogen cycle, incorporation of ammonia into biomolecules, Role of essential and non-essential amino acids in growth and development, Metabolic fates of amino groups. Transamination, role of pyridoxal phosphate, Glucose-alanine cycle, Krebs bicycle, urea cycle, its regulation and inherited defects of urea cycle, Gamma Glutamyl cycle.

Unit II: Catabolism, Biosynthesis and precursor functions of amino acids (10 Hours)

Catabolic pathways of individual amino acids, Glucogenic and ketogenic amino acids. Metabolism of one carbon unit, Overview of amino acid synthesis: Biosynthesis of non-essential amino acids and its regulation, Disorders of amino acids metabolism, phenylketonuria, alkaptonuria, maple syrup urine disease, methyl malonic acidemia (MMA), homocystinuria, and Hartnup's disease, *Precursor Functions of Amino Acids*: Biosynthesis of creatine and creatinine, polyamines (putrescine, spermine, spermidine), catecholamines (dopamine, epinephrine, norepinephrine) and neurotransmitters (serotonin, GABA)

Unit III: Biosynthesis and Degradation of Nucleotides (10 Hours)

De novo synthesis of purine and pyrimidine nucleotides, regulation and salvage pathways, Digestion of nucleic acids, degradation of purine and pyrimidine nucleotides, Inhibitors of nucleotide metabolism. Lesch Nyhan Syndrome, Gout and SCID (Adenosine deaminase deficiency), Biosynthesis of deoxyribonucleotides and its regulation, conversion to triphosphates, biosynthesis of coenzyme nucleotides

Unit IV: Integration of Metabolism

(4 Hours)

Integration of metabolic pathways (carbohydrate, lipid and amino acid metabolic pathways), tissue specific metabolism (brain, muscle, and liver).

2.3 Practical (Credits 2)

Total Hours: 60

1. Assay of serum transaminase – SGOT and SGPT
2. Estimation of serum urea.
3. Estimation of serum uric acid.
4. Estimation of serum creatinine.
5. Glutamate Dehydrogenase Assay
6. Aspartate Transcarbamylase kinetics
7. Case studies on SCID, Gout and Lesch Nyhan Syndrome.

2.4 Essential readings:

- Berg, J.M., Tymoczko, J.L. and Stryer L., (2012) W.H. Biochemistry (7th ed.), Freeman and Company (New York), ISBN:10: 1-4292-2936-5, ISBN:13:978-1-4292-2936-4.
- Devlin, T.M. (2011) Textbook of Biochemistry with Clinical Correlations (7th ed.), John Wiley & Sons, Inc. (New York), ISBN:978-0-470-28173-4 / BRV ISBN:978-0-470-60152-5.
- Nelson, D.L. and Cox, M.M. (2017) Lehninger: Principles of Biochemistry (7th ed.) W.H. Freeman & Company (New York), ISBN:13: 9781464126116 / ISBN:10- 1464126119.
- Principles of Biochemistry (2013) 4th ed., Voet, Donald, Voet, Judith & Pratt, charlotte. Wiley & Sons, Inc. (New Jersey), ISBN:978-1-11809244-6.
- Victor Rodwell, David Bender, et al. (2018) ISE Harper's Illustrated Biochemistry Thirty-First Edition, McGraw Hill (A and L Lange series), ISBN-10. 1259837939; ISBN-13. 978-1259837937.

3. Keywords

Metabolism, essential and non-essential amino acids, Nucleotides, Biosynthesis, Salvage pathway, metabolic disorders, HGPRT, Adenosine deaminase

Note: Examination scheme and mode shall be as prescribed by the Examination Branch, University of Delhi, from time to time.