

UNIVERSITY OF DELHI

CNC-II/093/1(22)/2022-23/223

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NOTIFICATION

Sub: Amendment to Ordinance V

[E.C Resolution No. 18-1-5 dated 18.08.2022]

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-I of the following departments under Faculty of Interdisciplinary & Applied Sciences based on Under Graduate Curriculum Framework -2022 to be implemented from the Academic Year 2022-23.

DEPARTMENT OF BIOCHEMISTRY
BSc (H) Biochemistry
Category-I

DISCIPLINE SPECIFIC CORE COURSE -1 (DSC-1) – : Biomolecules

Credit distribution, Eligibility and Prerequisites 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		
Biomolecules DSC 1	4	2	0	2	Class XII Science Combination I: Chemistry + Biology/ Biological Studies/ Biotechnology/ Biochemistry +	NIL

					Physics OR Combination II: Chemistry + Biology/ Biological Studies/ Biotechnology/ Biochemistry + Mathematics	
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Learning Objectives

This paper will provide an understanding of biomolecules, the basic building blocks of living organisms, focusing on their structural underpinnings, unique properties of molecules, biological roles and functions for students. Emphasis will be on the association between structure and function of various biomolecules at a chemical level with a biological perspective and hands-on approach and laboratory techniques.

Learning outcomes

On successful completion of the course students will be:

- Able to comprehend the structure, function and acid-base properties of amino acids.
- Introduced to the structure, properties and roles of carbohydrates, lipids and nucleic acids.
- Aware of the importance of vitamins in biological systems.
- Able to independently identify various biomolecules in the laboratory by qualitative test methods.
- Acquainted with chemical and molecular foundations of life and appreciate the role of buffer in biological systems.

SYLLABUS OF DSC - 1

THEORY

Unit – 1

(07 Hours)

Amino acids: Amino acids as bifunctional molecules and their biological significance; Classification of amino acids (Standard, Semi-standard, Non-standard; Proteinogenic, Non-proteinogenic; Essential, Non-essential; Polar, Non-polar). Physical properties (variations in structures, sizes, polarity, charges; resonance hybrid), optical properties (stereoisomerism; chirality; R- and S-; D- and L-; light absorption); and chemical properties (protonation/deprotonation; zwitterions; acid base properties, titration curve, pH and pKa, pI; reactivity of side chains) of amino acids, Amino acids as constituents of proteins, peptide bond. Uncommon amino acids and their functions.

Unit – 2

(08 Hours)

Carbohydrates: Introduction, classification and importance of carbohydrates. Monosaccharides - the structure of aldoses and ketoses; Optical properties of sugars: conformations of sugars, mutarotation, anomers, epimers and enantiomers; Chemical properties (Oxidation and reduction of sugars); reducing and non-reducing sugars; Glycosidic linkages (O- and N-type), formation of disaccharides (sucrose, maltose, lactose, trehalose), tri- and oligosaccharides (raffinose, rhamnose, and stachyose) Polysaccharides: homo- and heteropolysaccharides, structural (cellulose and chitin) and storage polysaccharides (starch and glycogen); Role of glycoconjugates with examples - proteoglycans, glycoproteins and glycolipids; Carbohydrates as recognition molecules.

Unit –3

(07 Hours)

Lipids: Introduction, importance, and classification of lipids (simple, complex and derived lipid); Structure, properties, and classification of fatty acids (based on chain length and degree of unsaturation); Storage lipids- triacylglycerol and waxes. Structural lipids in membranes- glycerolipids, glycerophospholipids, galactolipids, ether-lipids, sphingolipids, and sterols; Importance of eicosanoids. Role of lipids as storage, signals, hormones, pigments, and in membranes.

Unit – 4

(05 Hours)

Nucleic Acids: Structure and properties of bases (purines and pyrimidines). Formation of nucleosides and nucleotides (phosphodiester and glycosidic bond); Nucleic acid structure: Watson-Crick model of DNA double helix, comparison of different forms of DNA (A, B and Z DNA); Structure and functions of major species of RNA (mRNA, tRNA and rRNA). Nucleic acid chemistry - UV absorption, the effect of acid and alkali on DNA; Biologically important nucleotides (source of energy, a component of coenzymes and second messengers)

Unit – 5

(03 Hours)

Vitamins: Active forms and major functions of water-soluble and fat-soluble vitamins; Major dietary sources, deficiency diseases, symptoms, and hypervitaminosis.

PRACTICAL

(60 Hours)

- 1) Laboratory safety and standards (precision, accuracy and sensitivity). Preparation of solutions (w/w, w/v, Molar, Normal)
- 2) Concept of buffer, buffering capacity and Henderson-Hasselbalch equation. Preparation of acetate buffer/phosphate buffer
- 3) Titration graph of acetic acid and Glycine.

- 4) Qualitative analysis of Amino acids (Ninhydrin, Xanthoproteic, Millon's, and lead acetate test)
- 5) Qualitative test for Carbohydrates: monosaccharides, disaccharides, and polysaccharides (Molisch, Fehling/ Benedict, Barfoed, Seliwanoff's, Osazone and Iodine test)
- 6) To determine the Iodine Number of oil/fat.
- 7) Qualitative test for Nucleic acid (Orcinol and DPA).

ESSENTIAL/RECOMMENDED READINGS

- 1) 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.
- 2) Berg, J. M., Tymoczko J. L. and Stryer L. (2011) 7th Edition. Biochemistry. New York, USA: W. H. Freeman and Co. ISBN-13: 978142927635.
- 3) An Introduction to Practical Biochemistry (1998) 3rd ed., Plummer D. T., Tata McGraw Hill Education Pvt. Ltd. (New Delhi), ISBN:13: 978-0-07-099487-4 / ISBN:10: 0-07-099487-0.

SUGGESTIVE READING:

- 1) Devlin, T.M., (2011). Textbook of Biochemistry with Clinical Correlations. 7th edition John Wiley & Sons, Inc. (New York). ISBN: 978-0-4710-28173-4.
- 2) Campbell, M.K. and Farrel, S.O. (2017). 9th Edition. Biochemistry. Boston, USA: Brooks/Cole Cengage Learning. ISBN-13: 978-1305961135

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

DISCIPLINE SPECIFIC CORE COURSE – 2 (DSC-2): Proteins

Credit distribution, Eligibility and Prerequisites 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		
Proteins	4	2	0	2	Class XII Science (Combination I: Chemistry + Biology/ Biological Studies/ Biotechnology/	NIL
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