SEMESTER 1st MAJOR / MINOR COURSE

BTG122M BIO-TECHNOLOGY (BIOMOLECULES STRUCTURE AND FUNCTION)

CREDITS: THEORY: 04, PRACTICALS: 02

THEORY (04 CREDITS)

UNIT-1; AMINO ACIDS AND PROTEINS

Physicochemical properties of water; Concept of pH, pK, pI & buffers; Structure and classification of amino acids; Levels of protein structure- primary, secondary, tertiary and quaternary; Types of proteins - fibrous and globular proteins; Forces stabilizing protein structure.

UNIT-2; ENZYMES

Nomenclature and classification of enzymes; Basic principles of enzyme catalysis; Concept of active site; Enzyme activity and its measurement, factors affecting enzyme activity; Michaelis-Menten kinetics; Lineweaver- Burk plot; Enzyme inhibition (competitive, non-competitive and uncompetitive)

UNIT-3; CARBOHYDRATES

General structure, classification and function of carbohydrates; Stereoisomerism in monosaccharides with special reference to the concepts of configuration and conformation;

Breakdown of carbohydrates- glycolysis, TCA cycle, electron transport chain, oxidative phosphorylation.

UNIT-4; LIPIDS AND NUCLEIC ACIDS

Nomenclature and properties of fatty acids, Structure and functions of major types of lipids -triglycerides, phospholipids, sphingolipids, sterols, β -oxidation of saturated and unsaturated fatty acids. Structure and classification of nitrogenous bases, composition and bonding in nucleotides and polynucleotides. Types of DNA (A, B and Z) and their structure, Types of RNA (mRNA, tRNA and rRNA) and their structure.

PRACTICAL (02 CREDITS)

- 1. Preparation of molar, molal, normal solution and buffers.
- 2. Qualitative and quantitative estimation of carbohydrates in a given solution.
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- 4. Enzyme activity assay: Acid / Alkaline Phosphatase.
- 5. Quantification of DNA in a given solution.

BOOKS RECOMMENDED

- 1. Lehninger Principles of Biochemistry: Nelson, D. L. and Cox, M. M. Worth Publishers, New York.
- 2. Biochemistry (Latest Edition): Stryer, L., -W. H. Freeman and Company, New York.
- 3. Biochemistry (Latest Edition): Voet, D and Voet, J. G. -John Wiley and Sons Inc. New York.
- 4. Understanding Enzymes: Palmer, T. -Ellis Horwood Limited.
- 5. Enzymology: Devasena, T. -Oxford University Press.
- 6. Introductory Practical Biochemistry, S. K. Sawhney, R. Singh, Narosa Publishing House.