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Instructions for Candidates

There are 6 questions.

Attempt any 4 questions. All questions carry equal marks.

Question no. 1 is compulsory

1. Give one example for the following:

- (i) A deaminated product of cytosine.
- (ii) A reducing disaccharide.
- (iii) Storage polysaccharide of animals.
- (iv) An amino acid having phenol group.
- (v) An amino acid having sulfur atom.
- (vi) An unsaturated fatty acid.
- (vii) RNA which codes for protein synthesis.
- (viii) An optically inactive amino acid.
- (ix) The polysaccharide found in exoskeleton of insects.
- (x) An epimer of mannose.
- (xi) An anomer of α -D lactose.
- (xii) 16 carbon containing saturated fatty acid.
- (xiii) A sugar found in fruits.
- (xiv) A vitamin derived from cholesterol.
- (xv) A nucleotide which is the energy currency of the cell.

(1x15=15)

2a) Identify whether the following statements are true or false and justify your answer:

- (i) Glucose and Galactose are epimers of each other.
- (ii) Histidine has buffering capacity at physiological pH.
- (iii) Palmitic acid has a lower melting point than palmitoleic acid.
- (iv) Glucose is stored as glycogen in animals.
- (v) DNA has uniform positive charge.
- (vi) All amino acids are optically active.

b) What is a buffer? Discuss the role of any two biologically important buffers.

c) Define the following:

- (i) Chargaff's Rule.
- (ii) Lipids as storage fuel.
- (iii) Aromatic amino acids.

(9, 3, 3)

3. Differentiate between the following:

- (i) Storage and Structural polysaccharides.
- (ii) DNA and RNA
- (iii) Standard and Non-standard amino acids.
- (iv) Glycogen and Cellulose.
- (v) Glycolipids and phospholipids.

(3 x 5=15)

4(a) Draw the structure of the following:

- (i) D-Fructose
- (ii) Lactose
- (iii) Glycine
- (iv) Adenine
- (v) Palmitic acid
- (vi) 2-deoxyribose

(b) Explain the role of biologically important nucleotides.

(c) Write a short note on the organization of DNA in chromatin.

(6, 4, 5)

5(a) Sucrose is non-reducing sugar, but lactose is reducing sugar. Why?

(b) Draw the structure of t-RNA.

(c) Mention the properties of water that make it an ideal solvent.

(5, 5, 5)

6(a) Explain why?

- (i) Amino acids exist as zwitterions in solution.
- (ii) Glycogen is a storage polysaccharide in animals.
- (iii) Absorbance of DNA at 260 nm increases upon heating.
- (iv) Linoleic acid is considered as an essential fatty acid in animals.
- (v) Glycine is optically inactive amino acid.

(b) Explain the stereoisomerism in carbohydrates by giving suitable examples.

(10, 5)