# ZOH402: BIOLOGICAL CHEMISTRY Teaching Hours 10/Unit

# **COURSE OUTCOME**

- 1. The course introduces the students to different biomolecules their structure and classification.
- 2. Students are trained to understand the importance and biological synthesis of different biomolecules like proteins, lipids and carbohydrates.
- 3. Enzymes their kinetics, regulation, classification, inhibition clinical importance is studied.
- 4. Chemistry of nucleic acids their synthesis and breakdown are also dealt.
- 5. Metabolic pathways their importance, regulation and disorders associated with it are discussed.
- 6. On completion of the course student will have an overview of the biomolecules their importance, structure synthesis and breakdown and associated metabolic disorders.

## UNIT I

Carbohydrates-Classification, structure and properties. Monosaccharaides – Glucose, Fructose and Galactose. Disaccharides – Maltose, Lactose, Sucrose, Cellobiose and Trehalose Polysaccharides – Glycogen, Starch, Cellulose and Inulin. Heteropolysaccharides – Hyaluronic acid, chitin, heparin, chondroitin and keratin sulphate. Physiologically important carbohydrates.

## UNIT II

Lipids-Classification, structure and properties of fatty acids, triglycerides.

Oxidation of fatty acids  $-\beta$  oxidation, regulation and disorders.

Palmitate biosynthesis and its regulation.

Bile salts and bile pigments. Ketone bodies and their importance.

Prostaglandins and their significance.

### UNIT III

Amino acids- classification, chemical nature and properties. Classification of proteins, physical-chemical properties, structure- primary, secondary, tertiary and quaternary. Methods for determining amino acid sequences – N-terminal, C- terminal and amino acid analysis of proteins. Protein synthesis and its inhibitors; Metabolism of aromatic amino acids. Laboratory synthesis of peptides. Protein Targeting and Degradation Protein folding - Diseases of protein mis-folding, Introduction to proteomics.

#### UNITIV

Classification of enzymes. Enzyme Kinetics, Factors affecting enzyme catalysed reactions. Enzyme inhibition. Allosteric regulations of enzyme activity Co-enzymes, metalloenzymes, iso-enzymes and Multienzyme complexes, Ribozymes. Clinical applications of enzymes. Blood clotting proteins, Plasma proteins and their importance

#### UNITV

Nucleic acids – Classification and chemistry.

Nucleosides, nucleoside analogs and polynucleotides.

Biosynthesis and break down of purines and pyrimidines.

Salvage pathway. Disorders of nucleic acid metabolism.

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