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**Third Semester B. Sc. Examination**

**BIOCHEMISTRY**

**Paper – I**

**(Macromolecules)**

Time : Three Hours ]

[ Max. Marks : 50

N. B. : (1) All questions are compulsory and carry equal marks.  
(2) Draw well labelled diagram wherever necessary.

1. Describe the following reactions of amino acids :—

(a) Edman's reaction.  
(b) Ninhydrin reaction. 10

**OR**

Describe the Merrifield-Gutt method of peptide synthesis in detail. 10

2. (a) Describe the  $\alpha$ -helical structure of proteins. 5

(b) Describe the structure and biological function of collagen. 5

**OR**

Write short notes on the following :—

(c)  $\beta$ -pleated sheet structure of proteins. 5

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(d) Quaternary structure of proteins. 5

3. Describe the double helical model of DNA proposed by Watson and Crick. Write the chemical structure of A-T and G-C pairs. 10

**OR**

(a) What are Chargaff's rules ? 2  $\frac{1}{2}$

(b) How does native DNA differ from the B-DNA model of Watson and crick ? 2  $\frac{1}{2}$

(c) Describe DNA dehaturation. 2  $\frac{1}{2}$

(d) Write a note on A-DNA. 2  $\frac{1}{2}$

4. Describe DNA sequencing method of Sahger. 10

**OR**

(a) Describe the cloverleaf model of tRNA. 5

(b) Describe the structure of Eucaryotic mRNA. 5

5. Answer any ten of the following :—

(I) Write the names of any two unusual amino acids.

(II) Write the chemical structure of glycine

(iii) The bond formed between the  $\alpha$ -NH<sub>2</sub> group of one amino acid and the  $\alpha$ -COOH group of a second amino acid is commonly known as \_\_\_\_\_

(IV) What is meant by a subunit in quaternary structure of a protein? 1

(v) A disulphate bond is formed between which two amino acids ? 1

(vi) "All proteins do not have a quaternary structure?  
Why? 1

(vii) DNA is a left-handed helix. 1

(viii) Base stacking is a type of\_\_\_\_ interaction. 1

(ix) The phosphodiester bond in nucleotides connects the \_\_\_\_ carbon atom of a sugar to the \_\_\_\_ carbon atom of another sugar. 1

(x) Repetitive base sequences are present in \_\_\_\_ DNA. 1

(xi) Chemical cleavage method of DNA sequencing is also called\_\_\_\_ . 1

(xii) DNA Renaturation is done at a temperature 20–25°C lower than the \_\_\_\_\_. 1