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LECTURE PLAN DEPARTMENT OF BIOCHEMISTRY

STAFF NAME: Dr.K.POORNIMA SUBJECT NAME: MOLECULES OF LIFE - PRACTICAL SUB.CODE:18BCU111 SEMESTER: I CLASS:

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S.NO	NAME OF THE EXPERIMENT	SUPPORT MATERIALS
1.	Safety measures in laboratories	T1: 4-9
2.	Preparation of normal and molar solutions	T1: 46-49
3.	Preparation of buffers	T1: 49-51
4.	Determination of pKa of acetic acid and glycine	W1
5.	Qualitative tests for carbohydrates, lipids, amino	R2: 15-22, 33-36, R1: 33-34
	acids, proteins and nucleic acids.	
б.	Separation of amino acids/sugars/bases by thin	R2: 199-200
	layer chromatography	
7.	Estimation of Vitamin C	R1: 185-186
8.	Estimation of Vitamin E	J1
9.	Model exam	

SUGGESTED READINGS:

- T1: Rajan S. Manual for medical laboratory technology. 2012. 1st edition. Anjana book house, Chennai 600 107.
- R1: Sadasivam S and Manickam A. 2009. Biochemical methods, New age International publishers, New delhi.
- R2: Singh SR. 2014. Introductory practical biochemistry. Narosa publishing house, New delhi.
- J1: Naer PP and Magar NG. 1956. Determination of vitamin E in blood. J.Biol.Chem, 220; 151-159
- W1: www.linfield.edu/assets/files/chem/courses/CHEM 322/pKa



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SUBJECT : MOLECULES OF LIFE-PRACTICALS

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Course Objectives

- To know the safety measures to be followed in laboratory
- To give hands on experience on the preparation of buffers and various solutions.
- To identify and separate the biomolecules
- To quantify the vitamin in a sample

Course outcome

- Gain knowledge on lab safety
- Trained on preparation of reagents and solution
- Able to analyse biomolecules and vitamins qualitatively and quantitatively
- Handle the instruments associated with the practical
- 1. Safety measures in laboratories.
- 2. Preparation of normal and molar solutions.
- 3. Preparation of buffers.
- 4. Determination of pKa of acetic acid and glycine.
- 5. Qualitative tests for carbohydrates, lipids, amino acids, proteins and nucleic acids.
- 6. Separation of amino acids/ sugars/ bases by thin layer chromatography.
- 7. Estimation of vitamin C.
- 8. Estimation of vitamin E.

SUGGESTED READING:

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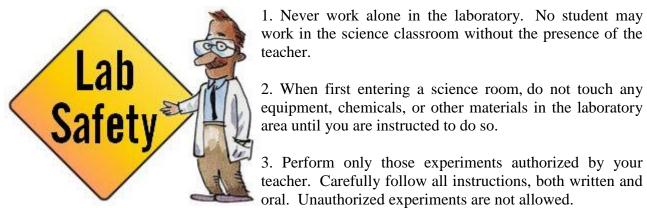
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Experiment No: 1

SAFETY MEASURES IN LABORATORIES

GENERAL GUIDELINES



4. Do not eat food, drink beverages, or chew gum in the laboratory. Do not use laboratory glassware as containers for food or beverages.

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5. Be prepared for your work in the laboratory. Read all procedures thoroughly before entering the laboratory. Never fool around in the laboratory. Horseplay, practical jokes, and pranks are dangerous and prohibited.

6. Always work in a well-ventilated area.

7. Observe good housekeeping practices. Work areas should be kept clean and tidy at all times.

8. Be alert and proceed with caution at all times in the laboratory. Notify the teacher immediately of any unsafe conditions you observe.

9. Dispose of all chemical waste properly. Never mix chemicals in sink drains. Sinks are to be used only for water. Check with your teacher for disposal of chemicals and solutions.

10. Labels and equipment instructions must be read carefully before use. Set up and use the equipment as directed by your teacher.

11. Keep hands away from face, eyes, mouth, and body while using chemicals or lab equipment. Wash your hands with soap and water after performing all experiments.

12. Experiments must be personally monitored at all times. Do not wander around the room, distract other students, startle other students or interfere with the laboratory experiments of others.

13. Know the locations and operating procedures of all safety equipment including: first aid kit(s), and fire extinguisher. Know where the fire alarm and the exits are located.

14. Know what to do if there is a fire drill during a laboratory period; containers must be closed, and any electrical equipment turned off

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CLOTHING





15. Any time chemicals, heat, or glassware are used, students will wear safety goggles. NO EXCEPTIONS TO THIS RULE!

16. Contact lenses may be not be worn in the laboratory.

17. Dress properly during a laboratory activity. Long hair, dangling jewelry, and loose or baggy clothing are a hazard in the laboratory. Long hair must be tied back, and dangling jewelry and baggy clothing must be secured. Shoes must completely cover the foot. No sandals allowed on lab days.

18. A lab coat or smock should be worn during laboratory experiments.



ACCIDENTS AND INJURIES



HANDLING CHEMICALS

19. Report any accident (spill, breakage, etc.) or injury (cut, burn, etc.) to the teacher immediately, no matter how trivial it seems. Do not panic.

20. If you or your lab partner is hurt, immediately (and loudly) yell out the teacher's name to get the teacher's attention. Do not panic.

20. If a chemical should splash in your eye(s) or on your skin, immediately flush with running water for at least 20 minutes. Immediately (and loudly) yell out the teacher's name to get the teacher's attention.

21. All chemicals in the laboratory are to be considered

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dangerous. Avoid handling chemicals with fingers. Always use a tweezer. When making an observation, keep at least 1 foot away from the specimen. Do not taste, or smell any chemicals.

HANDLING GLASSWARE AND 22. Check the label on all chemical bottles twice before **EQUIPMENT** removing any of the contents. Take only as much



Care in handling glassware and electricity

HEATING SUBSTANCES



We want to avoid this.

chemical as you need.

23. Never return unused chemicals to their original container.

24. Never remove chemicals or other materials from the laboratory area.

25. Never handle broken glass with your bare hands. Use a brush and dustpan to clean up broken glass. Place broken glass in the designated glass disposal container.

26. Examine glassware before each use. Never use chipped, cracked, or dirty glassware.

27. If you do not understand how to use a piece of equipment, ASK THE TEACHER FOR HELP!

28. Do not immerse hot glassware in cold water. The glassware may shatter.

29. Do not operate a hot plate by yourself. Take care that hair, clothing, and hands are a safe distance from the hot plate at all times. Use of hot plate is only allowed in the presence of the teacher.

30. Heated glassware remain very hot for a long time. They should be set aside in a designated place to cool, and picked up with caution. Use tongs or heat protective gloves if necessary.

31. Never look into a container that is being heated.

32. Do not place hot apparatus directly on the laboratory desk. Always use an insulated pad. Allow plenty of time for hot apparatus to cool before touching it

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PREPARATION OF NORMAL AND MOLAR SOLUTIONS

Preparation of standard solutions:

Solution of accurately known strength are called standard solution. A standard solution contains a known weight of reagent in a definite volume of solution. Molecular weight and atomic weight of commonly used chemicals has been in table given below.

Molar solutions:

Molar solution is one, which contains one molecular weight of the reagent in 1 litre of the solution molarity is expressed asm.

Normal solution:

Normal solution is one, which contains one equivalent weight of the reagent in 1 litre of the solution. Normality is expressed as V.

Equivalent weight of acid = Molecular weight/no of replaceable H-ions

There are few standard solutions which are used for analysis.

- 1. N/10 H₂SO₄
- 2. N/10 NaoH
- 3. N/10 KMNO₄
- 4. 0.256 N (1.25 % (w/v)) H₂SO₄
- 5. 0.313 N (1.25% (w/v)) NaoH
- 6. 40% NaCl (w/v)
- 7. 3% KNo₃ (w/v)
- 8. 20% ammonium wavelength (w/v)
- 9. 50% Hcl (w/v)

Certain primary standard solutions are also required for standardization of the above solution.

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These are

1. N/10 Na₂Co₃

2. N/10 (COOH) 2.2H₂O

Preparation of H₂SO₄ (N/10)

Equivalent weight of H₂SO₄=49 g 24

Specific gravity = 1.84 g/ml

Volume of 49 g $H_2SO_4 = 26.6$ ml 24

Concentrated H₂SO₄ (reagent grade) is about 97% pure.

Therefore, actual amount of conc. H_2SO_4 required for 1 litre of N/10 H_2SO_4 solution = 100/97 x 26.6 = 27.42 ml.

Thus, for 1 litre of N/10 H₂SO₄ solutions 2.74 ml of concentrated.

Procedure

Take 2.74 ml sulphuric acid in a beaker half filled with distilled water. Transfer the contents and washing to a volumetric flask (1 litre) and make volume up to the mark. Shake well and titrate this solution with 10 ml of 0.1 N Naco using mixed methyl orange as an indicator. Repeat the titration to get at least three concordant readings.

Standardization

Suppose 10 ml of 0.1 N $Na_2Co_3 = 9.5$ ml of H_2SO_4 .

To prepare 1 litre N/10 H₂SO₄, the volume of 0.10526 N acid required is 1000 x 0.1/0.10526 = 950 ml. Take 950 ml of 0.10526 N acid and dilute it to 1 litre.Check it again with N/10 equal volume of N/10 Na₂Co₃ solution. Label it as 0.1 N H₂SO₄.

Preparation of N/10 NaoH solution

Molecular weight of NaoH =40 Acidity (No. of replaceable OH group) = 1 Equivalent weight of NaoH = 40

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Therefore, 4 g of NaoH in a beaker (as it is hygroscopic) and dissolve it in distilled water (preferably CO_2 free). Transfer the contents and the washing to a volumetric flash (1 litre).

Cool and then make volume up to the mark shake well and standardize this solution against N/10 Oxalic acid using phenolphthalein as an indicator. Label it as 0.1 N NaoH solution.

Add 13.16 g of NaoH (95% NaoH) in 1 litre distilled water and shake well. Standardize this solution against know concentration of oxalic acid solution using phenolphthalein as an indicator.

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PREPARATION OF BUFFER

A buffer is an aqueous solution containing a weak acid and its conjugate base or a weak base and its conjugate acid. A buffers pH changes very little when a small amount of strong acid or base is added to it. It is used to prevent any change in pH of a solution regardless of solution. Buffer solution are used as a means of keeping pH at a nearly value in a wide variety of chemical application.

For example, blood in the human body is a buffer solution.

Buffer solution are resistant to pH change because of the presence of an equilibrium b/w the acid (H4) and it conjugate base (A). The balanced equation for this reaction is

$HA \leftrightarrow H^+ + A^-$

When some strong acid (more H^+) is added to an equilibrium mixture of the weak acid and its conjugate base, the equilibrium is shifted to the left, in accordance with Le-chatelier's principle. This causes the hydrogen ion (H+) concentration to increase by less than the amount expected for the quantity of strong base is added to the mixture, the hydrogen ion concentration decreases by less than the amount expected for the quantity of base added. This because the reaction shits to the right to accommodate for the loss of (H+) in the reaction with the base.

Preparing a buffer solution:

First method:

Prepare a solution with an acid and its conjugate base by dissolving the acid form of the buffer in about 60% of the volume required to obtain the final solution volume.

Then, measure the pH of the solution using a pH probe.

The pH can be adjusted up the desired value using a pH probe.

If the buffer is made with a base and its conjugate acid, the pH can be adjusted using a strong acid like Hcl. Once. The pHis correct dilute the solution to the final desired volume.

Second Method:

Prepared solutions of both the acid form and base form of the solutions.

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Both solution must contain the same buffer concentrations as the concentration of the buffer in the final solution.

To get the final buffer, add one solution to the other while monitoring the pH.

Third method:

In a third method, you can determine the extract amount of acid and conjugate base needed to make a buffer of a certain pH, using the Henderson-Hasselach equation

pH= pka + log [(A⁻)/[HA]

Where pH is the concentration of $[H^+]$ pka is the acid dissociation constant, and $[A^-]$ and [HA] are concentration of conjugate base and starting acid.

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Experiment No: 4

DETERMINATION OF PKA OF ACETIC ACID AND GLYCINE

Aim

To determine the pKa values and buffering capacity of buffer solutions.

Requirements

Buffer stock solution (concentrated), pH meter, distilled water, wash bottle, volumetric flasks, measuring cylinders, beakers, and pipettes.

Glycine-NaOH buffer system:

- 1. 20 mM glycine
- 2. 200 mM NaOH

Glycine-Acetic acid buffer system

- 1. 20 mM glycine
- 2. 200 mM acetic acid

Procedure

pH Measurement:

Mix all solutions thoroughly. The pH measurement may be made in original beakers. Do not change any control on the pH meter except as directed. With the meter on stand by, rinse the electrode with deionized water, gently shake off the excess water, and immerse the electrode in the sample solution. Switch the meter to the pH mode, allow the reading to stabilize, and record the pH. Switch the meter back to the standby mode, rinse the electrode again, and leave the electrode immersed in deionized water. Repeat this procedure for all samples.

Glycine-NaOH buffer system:

Prepare 50 ml 20 mM glycine solution and 100 ml of 200mM NaOH solution. Calibrate the pH meter with standard buffer solution at room temperature. Take 50 ml of glycine solution in a beaker and add 0.5 ml of NaOH solution and shake well to mix. Note the change in pH. Add subsequent quantities of NaOH with an increment of 0.5 ml each time and note observed pH at regular intervals. Take about 30-35 readings and generate the following observation table:

Volume of NaOH added (ml)	Observed pH
0.0	
1.0	
1.5	
2.0	
2.5	

Results

Plot the titration curve for the given buffer system. Estimate the pKa for the different ionic species.

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Experiment No: 5

QUALITATIVE TESTS FOR CARBOHYDRATES, LIPIDS, AMINO ACIDS AND PROTEINS

Qualitative tests for carbohydrates

EXPERIMENT	OBSERVATION	INFERENCE	REACTION
Solubility Test To a little amount of the given substance in a test tube added few drops of distilled water and shook well.	(a) Soluble(b) Insoluble	It indicates the presence of monosaccharides and disaccharides. It indicates the presence of polysaccharides.	
Molisch's Test To 2.0ml of the sugar solution added 2-3 drops of Molisch's reagent, mixed well and added 2.0ml of Conc. H ₂ SO ₄ along the sides of the test tube. So that the acid forms a layer beneath the test solution.	(a) A deep violet coloured ring was got at the junction of the two layers.(b) No deep violet coloured ring was got at the junction of the two layers.	It indicates the presence of carbohydrates. It indicates the absence of carbohydrates.	Sugar is dehydrated to hydroxyl methyl furfural by concentrated sulphuric acid. The hydroxyl methyl furfurol then condenses with α - naphthol to give a violet coloured ring shows the presence of carbohydrates.
Iodine test To 1.0ml of the test solution added 4-5 drops of iodine solution and contents are mixed gently. Fehling's test To 2.0ml of Fehling's reagent	 (a) Blue coloured solution was got. (b) No change in colour (a) A reddish brown precipitate is formed. 	Presence of polysaccharide. Absence of polysaccharide It indicates the presence of reducing	Iodine forms coloured adsorption complexes with polysaccharides. Fehling's solution contains blue alkaline cupric hydroxide
To 2.0ml of added 0.5ml		Fehling's reagent precipitate is formed. of the given sugar	Fehling's reagent of the given sugarprecipitate is formed.presence of reducing sugar.

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	boiling water bath for two	(b) No characteristic		reducing sugars gets
	minutes.	precipitate was got.	It indicates the	reduced to yellow or
			absence of reducing	red cuprous oxide and
			sugar	is precipitated.
5.	Benedict's test	(a) The solution first	It indicates the	free aldehyde or keto
	To 2.0ml of Benedict's reagent,	turned to green and	presence of reducing	group in the reducing
	added 8 drops of the test	then reddish brown	sugar	sugars reduce cupric
	solution and heated in a boiling	precipitate was		hydroxide in alkaline
	water bath for 2 minutes and	formed.		medium to red colored
	allowed to cool.	(b) No characteristic		cuprous oxide.
	spontaneously.	reddish brown	It indicates the	Depending on the
		precipitate was	absence of reducing	concentration of
		formed.	sugar	sugars, yellow to green
				color is developed
6.	Picric acid test	(a) A mahagony red	It confirms the	It is due to the reducing
	To 2.0ml of sugar solution	coloured solution was	presence of reducing	action of the sugar.
	added 0.5ml of saturated picric	got.	sugar.	
	acid and 0.5ml of 10% sodium	(b) No characteristic		
	carbonate and heated in a water	red coloured solution	It shows the absence	
	bath.	was got.	of reducing sugar and	
			confirms the presence	
			of sucrose which is a	
			non reducing sugar	
7.	Barfoed's test	(a) A brick red	It indicates the	Barfoed's test is used to
	To 2.0ml of freshly prepared	precipitate is formed	presence of	detect the presence of
	Barfoed's reagent added 1.0ml	and settling down at	monosaccharides.	monosaccharide
	of sugar solution and heated in	the bottom or sides of		(reducing) sugars in
	a boiling water bath for 3	the test tube.	It shows the absence	solution. Barfoed's
	minutes. Allow to cool.	(b) No characteristic	of monosaccharides.	reagent, a mixture of
		red precipitate was		ethanoic (acetic) acid
		got.		and copper(II) acetate,
				is combined with the
				test solution and boiled
				A red copper(II) oxide
				precipitate is formed
				will indicates the
				presence of reducing
				sugar. This test is

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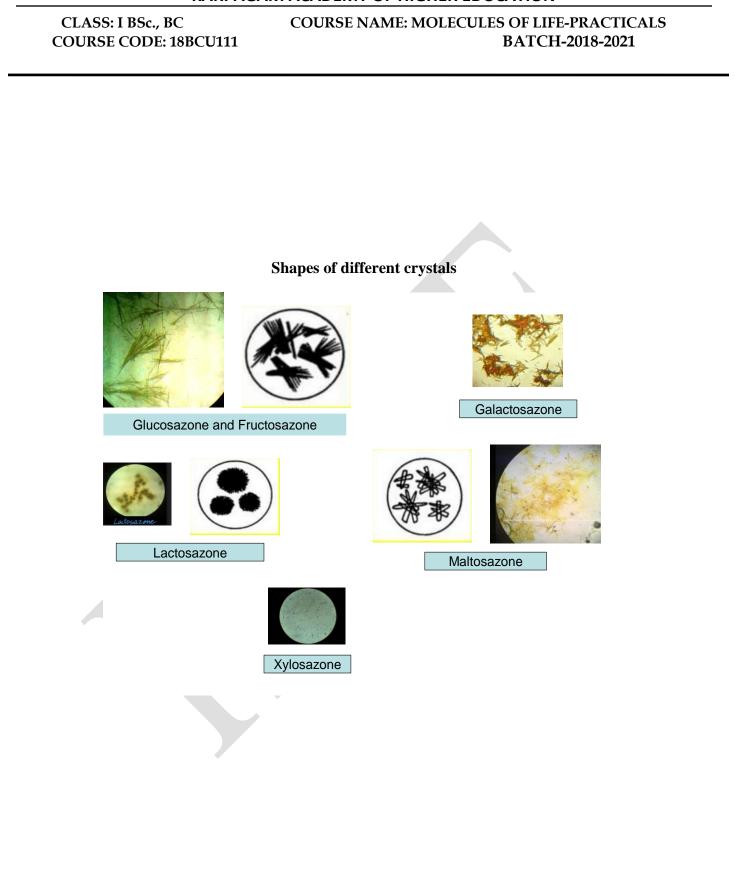
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			specific for
			monosaccharides
	(a) A cherry red		It indicates the
To 3.0ml of Seliwanoff's	colour was got.	presence of keto	presence of keto sugar
reagent added 4 drops of sugar		sugar sucrose and	sucrose and fructose
solution and heated in a water	(b) No characteristic	fructose.	which on treatment
bath for 3 minutes and cooled	cherry red colour was	It indicates the	with HCl acid forms 5
the solution at room	got.	absence of keto sugar	hydroxy methyl
temperature.		sucrose and fructose.	furfural which then
			condences with
			resorcinol to give
			cherry red coloured
			complex.
Tollen's test	(a) A red coloured	It confirms the	
To equal volume of sugar	solution was got.	presence of pentose,	
solution and concentrated		lactose and galactose.	
hydrochloric acid added a pinch	(b) No characteristic	It shows the absence	
of phloroglucinol and heated in	red coloured solution	of pentose, lactose	
a boiling water bath for 2	was got.	and galactose.	
minutes.			
Bial's test	(a) A greenish blue	It indicates the	Bial's test is used to
To 2.0ml of Bial's reagent	coloured solution was	presence of pentoses.	distinguish between
added 0.5ml of the test solution	got.		pentoses and hexoses
and heated in a boiling water	(b) No characteristic	It indicates the	They react with Bial'
bath for 3 minutes.	greenish blue coloured	presence of hexoses.	reagent and are
	solution was got.		converted to furfural
			Orcinol and furfura
			condense in the
			presence of ferric ion to
			form a colored product
			Appearance of green
			colour or precipitat
			indicates the presence
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11.	Mucic acid test	(a) A white precipitate	It shows the presence		
	To 50mg of sugar in a test tube	was got and a	of lactose or		
	added 1.0ml of concentrated	colourless rod shaped	galactose.		
	nitric acid and 1.0ml of distilled	crystals were seen			
	water, heated in a boiling water	under the microscope.			
	bath for one and a half an hour	(b) No characteristic	It shows the absence		
	and left it stand overnight and	white precipitate was	of lactose or		
	viewed the crystals under the	formed.	galactose.		
	microscope.				
12.	Phenyl hydrazine Test	Formation of beautiful		The ketoses	and
	Took equal volume of sugar	yellow crystals of		aldoses react	with
	solution and phenyl hydrazine	osazone was formed		phenylhydrazine	to
	mixed, filtered and kept in a	(a) A yellow needle		produce	á
	boiling water bath for half an	shaped crystals like	It indicates the	phenylhydrazone	
	hour and cooled at room	sheeves of corn was	presence of	which further	react
	temperature viewed the crystals	observed.	glucosazone and	with another	two
	under the microscope.		fructosazone	molecules	0
		(b) A flower shaped		phenylhydrazine	to
		crystals were observed	It indicates the	yield osazone.	
			presence of		
		(c) A cotton ball or	galactosazone		
		puff shaped crystals			
		were observed.	It indicates the		
			presence of		
		(d) A small sunflower	lactosazone		
		shaped crystals were			
		observed.	It indicates the		
			presence of		
		(e) A rod shaped	maltosazone		
		crystals were			
		observed.			
			It indicates the		
			presence of		
			xylosazone		



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<u>NO</u>	Solubility Test:		
1	a. Cold water	a. Insoluble	The amino acid may be tyrosine The amino acid may be Arginine, Methionine, Cysteine,
		b. Soluble	Tryptophan or Histidine.
	b. Hot water	Soluble	The amino acid may be Arginine, Methionine, Cysteine, Tryptophan, Tyrosine or
	c. C. Dilute potassium hydroxide	Soluble	Histidine.
	d. Dilute ammonium hydroxidee. Dilute hydrochloric acid	Soluble	The amino acid may be
	f. Alcohol	Soluble	Tryptophan or Histidine. The amino acid may be
		a. Soluble	Arginine, Methionine, Cysteine or Tyrosine
		b. Insoluble	
2	Ninhydrin Test:	A violet colouration	This is due to the formation of
	To 5ml of amino acid solution taken	was got.	Rheumann's purple which
	in a test tube, add 0.5ml of 1% ninhydrin		indicates the presence of amino
	reagent. Place the test tube in a boiling		acid.
	water bath for 1-2 minutes and cool to		
2	room temperature.		
3	Pauly's diazo Test:	a. A red colouration	The amino acid with diazotized
	To 2ml of amino acid solution add 1ml	was got.	sulphanilic acid in alkaline
	of 1% sulphanilic acid in 10% hydro chloric acid and then cool in ice. Add		medium forms the highly coloured azo compound. This
	1ml of 5% sodium nitrite solution and		indicates the presence of
	leave in cold water for 3 minutes. Make		aromatic amino acid tyrosine,
	the solution alkaline by the addition of		tryptophan or histidine.
	2ml of 1% sodium carbonate solution and		It shows the absence of
	note the colour formed.	b. No characteristic	aromatic amino acids tyrosine,
		red colouration was	tryptophan or histidine.

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		got.	
4	Acetic Acid Test:	a. A dark blue or violet	This confirms the presence of
	To 2ml of amino acid solution add 1% of	coloured solution	Histidine.
	bromine in 33% acetic acid until an	was got.	
	yellow colour was got. After 10 minutes	b. No characteristic	This shows the absence of
	add 5 to 10 drops of 5% ammonium	blue coloured	histidine.
	carbonate solution.	solution was got.	
5	Hopkin's Cole Test:	a. A violet coloured	It is due to the condensation of
	To 1ml of the amino acid solution add	ring was got at the	aldehyde group with indole
	2ml of glacial acetic acid (exposed to sun	junction of the 2	group in the presence of
	light) and add 2ml of concentrated	liquids.	concentrated sulphuric acid
	sulphuric acid along the sides of the test		This test confirms the presence
	tube.		of tryptophan.
		b. No characteristic	It shows the absence of
		violet coloured ring	tryptophan.
		was got.	
6	Voisent Rhode Test:	a. A red violet	It is due to the condensation of
	Add 1ml of amino acid solution to 1ml of	coloured ring was	aldehyde group with indole
	5% para dimethyl amino benzaldehyde in	got.	group in the presence of
	concentrated sulphuric acid.		concentrated sulphuric acid
	1		This test confirms the presence
			of tryptophan.
		b. No characteristic	It shows the absence of
		red violet coloured	tryptophan.
		ring was got.	
7	Aldehyde Test:	a. A violet coloured	It is due to the condensation of
	To 1ml of amino acid solution add one	ring was got at the	aldehyde group with an indole
	drop of 1 in 500 formalin and 1 drop of	junction of two	group in presence of
	15% mercuric sulphate in 10% sulphuric	liquids.	concentrated sulphuric acid.
	acid and add 3-4 drops of concentrated	inquitabl	This test confirms the presence
	sulphuric acid.		of tryptophan.
	sulpharie dela.	b. No characteristic	It shows the absence of
	· ·	violet coloured	tryptophan.
		ring was got.	
8	Ehrlich's Test:	a. A red coloured	It is due to the condensation of
0	Add 2ml of Ehrlich's reagent to 2ml of		aldehyde group with indole ring
	_	solution was got.	
	the amino acid solution.		in the presence of hydrochlorid
			acid. It confirms the presence of

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0			No characteristic red coloured solution was got.	tryptophan. It shows the absence of tryptophan.
9	Hoffmann's Test (or) Millon's Test: To 1ml of amino acid solution add 1 drop of Millon's reagent and place it in a water bath for 30 seconds.		A deep red colouration was got. No red colouration was got.	It is due to the presence of phenolic hydroxyl group. This test confirms the presence of tyrosine. It shows the absence of tyrosine.
10	Folin's Phenol Test: To 1ml of amino acid add an equal volume of Folin's phenol reagent and treat with 6 drops of saturated sodium carbonate.		A blue colouration was got. No characteristic blue colouration was got.	It is due to the presence of phenolic hydroxyl group. This test confirms the presence of tyrosine. It shows the absence of tyrosine.
11	Xanthoproteic acid Test: To 2ml of amino acid solution add an equal volume of concentrated nitric acid cool and then sufficient amount of 40% sodium hydroxide to make the solution strongly alkaline		An yellow colour was got in acid solution which turned to bright orange with alkaline solution. No orange colour was got.	It is due to nitration of amino acid to form yellow nitro derivative. This confirms the presence of tyrosine which has the phenolic group. It shows the absence of tyrosine.
12	Ferric Chloride Test: To the amino acid solution add one drop of dilute (0.05%) ferric chloride solution and a drop of 0.5% copper sulphate solution.	a.	A transitory violet colour appeared on the addition of copper sulphate. No characteristic violet colour was got.	It is due to the presence of thiol group. This test confirms the presence of cysteine.It shows the absence of cysteine.

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13	Nitroprusside Test: Treat2ml of amino acid solution with 0.5ml of 2% dilute sodium nitroprusside solution and add a drop of dilute solution of sodium hydroxide(1%).	a. A red coloured solution was got which faded away after 2 minutes.	It is due to the presence of thiol group. This indicates the presence of cysteine.
14	Lead Acetate Test: To 2ml of the amino acid solution add 1ml of 10% aqueous lead acetate and 1ml of 40% sodium hydroxide. Heat in a water bath for 5 minutes.	a. A black precipitate was got.b. No characteristic black precipitate was got.	It is due to the presence of thiol group which indicates the presence of cysteine. It shows the absence of cysteine
15	Boiling's Modification (or) Mc Carthy Sullivan Test: To 1ml of the amino acid solution, add the following reagents in order and mix after each addition. Add 1.5ml of 0.5N sodium hydroxide, 1.5ml of 1% glycine, 0.3ml of 10% sodium nitro prusside solution and place it in a incubator at 37- 40°C for 15 minutes and then added hydrochloric acid and let it stand at room temperature for 10 minutes.	A red colouration was got.	The methyl group is split to form homocysteine which gives a red colour with sodium nitroprusside solution. It confirms the presence of methionine.

Qualitative tests for lipids

S .No	EXPERIMENT	OBSERVATION	INFERENCE
1.	Greese spot test: Take a small amount of oil on a piece of	A greesy spot penetrating the paper	Indicates the presence of lipids
	paper	will be formed. No greesy spot was formed	Absence of lipids
2.	Test for free fatty acids: Take a few drops of phenolphthalein solution in a test tube and in it one to two drops of very dilute alkaline solution just	Disappearance of colour	Presence of fatty acids since the alkali is neutralized

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	sufficient to give the solution a pink	No disappearance of	Absence of fatty acids
	colour. Now add a few drops of oil and	colour	
	shake		
3.	Emulsification:		
	Take a clean dry test tube add 2 ml of	Minutes droplets	Presence of oil or lipid
	dilute bile salt solution and few drops of	suspended in the	
	unknown solution is added and shaken	liquid	
	vigorously for 1 minutes.	No droplets suspended	Absence of oil or lipid
		in the luquid	<u>_</u>
4.	Saponification test:		
	Take 1 ml of unknown solution in a test	Soap formation	Indicates the presence of fatty
	tube and add an equal amount of alcoholic		acids
	KOH solution, mix them thoroughly and		
	keep the mixture during the colour of	No soap formation	Absence of fatty acids
	warming and shake up gently with a little		
	distilled water		
5.	Test for unsaturated fatty acids:		
	A clean test tube containing 5 ml of CCl ₄	Appearance of	1
	and add a drop of lipid or oil, now	permanent yellowish	unsaturated fatty acids.
	bromine water is added drop by drop and	red colour	
	number of drops added is recorded	No characteristic	Absence of unsaturated fatty
		colour formation	acids
6.	Acrolein test:		
	For a few drops of oil or lipid, a few	A pungent colour of	Indicates the presence of
	crystals of potassium hydrogen sulphate	acrolein is produced	glycerol
	warm gently ta mix and then heated	No pungent colour is	Absence of glycerol
	strongly	produced	
7.	Dichromate test:		
	Take a dry test tube, 3 or 4 ml of oil or	Brown colour is	Indicates the presence of
	lipid, a few drops of 5% potassium	changed to blue	glycerol
	dichromate solution and 5 ml of conc.	No colour change	Absence of glycerol
	H ₂ SO ₄ mix well		

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Experiment No: 6

SEPARATION OF AMINO ACIDS BY THIN LAYER CHROMATOGRAPHY

The separation and identification of organic compounds is a routine work in many service laboratories. Thin layer chromatography (tlc) is an easy technique to adopt for the said purpose. It is highly useful in research laboratories to separate, identify and characterize unknown compounds. A variety of small molecules like amino acids, sugars, organic acids, lipids etc. are separated by tic technique. The greater advantage of tic is the speed at which separation is achieved. When volatile solvents are used the time required to effect separation is only about 30 min and with nonvolatile solvents it is seldom longer than 90 min.

Principle

The general Principle involved in tlc is similar to that of column chromatography i.e. adsorption chromatography. In the adsorption process, the solute competes with the solvent for the surface sites of the adsorbent. Depending on the distribution coefficients, the compounds are distributed on the surface of the adsorbent. Of course, in tic the partition effect in the separation is also not ruled out. The adsorbent normally used contains a binding agent such as calcium sulphate which facilitates the holding of the adsorbent to the glass plate.

Materials

- Glass Plate (20 x 20 cm or 20 x 10 cm)
- Glass Tank with Lid
- Spreader
- Developing Solvents
- Adsorbent Silica GelG/Alumina
- Sample (should be extracted following the procedures indicated for each group of compounds. For e.g., extraction with 80% alcohol for amino acids and sugars)
- Standards Spraying Agent (This also differs as for the group of compounds of interest).

Procedure

Preparation of Plates

- 1. Place dry, clean glass plates (5 nos, 20 x 20cm) on the plastic base plate over a plane surface.
- 2. 1. Prepare a slurry of the adsorbent in water (sometimes buffer) in the ratio 1:2 (w/v).
- 3. Stir the slurry thoroughly for 1-2 min and pour into the applicator positioned on the head glass plate.
- 4. Coat the slurry over the glass plates at a thickness of 0.25mm for qualitative analysis by moving the applicator at a uniform speed from one end to the other. (One has to gain some experience by practicing to prepare uniformly coated plates.) Leave the plates to dry at room temperature for 15-30 min.

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5. Heat the plates in an oven at 100-120°C for l-2h to remove the moisture and to activate the adsorbent on the plate. The dried plates in a rack can be stored in a desiccator over silica gel to prevent moisture absorption.

Sample Application

- 1. Leave 2.5cm from one end of the glass plate and at least an equal distance from the edges.
- 2. Apply the sample and standards by means of a micropipette or syringe as small spots. All spots should be placed at equal distance from one end of the plate. See that the adsorbent does not flake off at the sample application point. (Measured volumes are applied for quantitative analysis.)
- 3. Allow the sample to dry so that spotting can be done repeatedly for a more concentrated sample spot.

Developing Chromatogram

- 1. Pour the developing solvent into the tank to a depth of 1.5cm. Allow it to stand for at least an hour with a cover plate over the top of the tank to ensure that the atmosphere within the tank becomes saturated with solvent vapor. This is called equilibration.
- 2. After equilibration, remove the cover plate, and place the thin layer plate (sample applied) vertically in the and so that it stands in the solvent with the spotted end dipping in the solvent.
- 3. Replace the cover plate. The separation of the compounds occurs as the solvent moves upward. Develop the chromatogram at constant temperature in order to avoid anomalous solvent-running effects.
- 4. Once the solvent reaches the top of the plate, remove it from the tank, dry and proceed for the identification of the separated compounds.

Result:

The given amino acid was found to be

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Experiment No: 7

ESTIMATION OF VITAMIN C

Aim

To estimate the amount of vitamin C in given unknown sample.

Principle

Ascorbic acid is converted to dehydroascorbate by treatment with activated charcoal or bromine. Dehydroascorbate then reacts with 2, 4-dinitrophenyl hydrazine to form osazones, which dissolves in sulphuric acid to give an orange coloured solution whose absorbance can be measured spectrophotometrically at 540 nm.

Reagents

- 1. 4% TCA
- 2. 10% Thiourea
- 3. 2% DNPH (2g-2,4 Dinitro phenyl hydrazine in 100ml of 0.5N sulphuric acid)
- 4. 85% Sulphuric acid
- 5. Standard Ascorbic acid (20-100 μ g/ml)-

100 mg of ascorbic acid was dissolved in water and was made up to 100 ml with water. Convert 10mL of stock ascorbic acid solution into dehydro form by bromination. This contains 100µg uric acid /ml.

6. Extraction:

1g of leaves were ground and homogenized in 4% TCA and made up to 10 ml with the same and centrifuged at 2000 rpm for 10 minutes. The supernatant was treated with a pinch of activated charcoal residue, shaken well and kept for 10 minutes. Once again centrifugation was carried out to remove the charcoal residue. The volume of the clear supernatant obtained was noted. Transfer an aliquot (10mL) to a conical flask . and add bromine water drop wise with constant mixing. The enolic hydrogen atoms in ascorbic acid are removed by bromine. When the extract turns orange yellow due to excess bromine, expel it by blowing in air. Make up to a known volume (25 or 50mL) with 4% oxalic acid solution.

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Procedure

- 1. Pipette out 10-100µg standard dehydroascorbic solution into a series of tubes.
- 2. Similarly pipette out different aliquots (0.1mL-2mL) of brominated sample extract.
- 3. Make up the volume in each tube to 3mL by adding distilled water.
- 4. Add one mL of DNPH reagent followed by 1-2 drops of thiourea to each tube.
- 5. Set a blank as above but with water in place of ascorbic acid solution.
- 6. Mix the contents of the tubes thoroughly and incubate at 37° C for 3h.
- After incubation dissolve the orange-red osazone crystals formed by adding 7mL of 80% sulphuric acid.
- 8. Measure absorbance at 540nm.
- Plot a graph ascorbic acid concentration versus absorbance and calculate the ascorbic acid content in the sample and expresse as the amount of ascorbic acid in mg/g or 100 g sample.

		(ml)		water (ml)	DNPH (ml)	Thiour ea (ml)	for 3 hours	H2S04 (ml)	Allow to standard for 30 minute at room temperature	Densit y at 630 nm
1	Blank	-		3.0	≜	↑	°Cf	↑	inute	
2 8	Standar						37		0 m	
	d						te at		for 3	
	S1	0.2	20	2.8			Incubate at		ard	
	S2	0.4	40	2.6	1.0	I	Inc		and	
	S3	0.6	60	2.4	1.0	1-2		7.0	to st	
	S4	0.8	80	2.2		drops			low	
	S5	1.0	100	2.0					All	
3	Sample	0.5	-	2.5						

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4	Unkno	1.0	-	-			
	wn	1.0	-	2.5			

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Experiment No. 8

ESTIMATION OF VITAMIN-E

Aim

To estimate the amount of vitamin-E present in the given unknown sample.

Principle

Vitamin E can be estimated using reaction of ferric to ferrous ions by tocopherols, which forms a red colour with 2,2'-dipyridyl tocopherols and carotenes were first extracted with xylene and read at 460nm to measure carotenes. A correlation is made for these after adding ferric chloride and read at 520nm.

Reagents

- i) 2-2' dipyridyl: 1.2g/L of n-Propanol
- ii) Ferric chloride: 1.2g of FeCl₃ or 720mg of anhydrous ferric chloride in 1 L of ethanol.
- iii) Standard Tocopherol: 10mg/L in absolute ethanol and 1ml of α-tocopherol is equivalent to 100mg of tocopherol acetate.
- iv) Absolute ethanol
- v) Xylene

Sample preparation

The plant sample (2.5g) was homogenized in 500ml of 0.1N H₂SO₄ and allowed to stand for overnight. The contents of the flask were shaken vigorously and filtered through filter paper. Aliquot of the filtrate were used for the estimation.

Procedure

Into 3 stoppered centrifuge tubes (test, standard and blank) pipetted out 1.5 ml of each tissue extract, 1.5 ml of the standard and 1.5 ml of water respectively. To the test and blank added 1.5 ml ethanol and to the standard added 1.5 ml of water. Added 1.5 ml of xylene to all the tubes, stoppered, mixed well and centrifuged. Transfererred 1 ml of xylene layer into another stoppered tube, taking care not to include any ethanol or protein. Added 1.0 ml of 2, 2' dipyridyl reagent to each tube, stoppered and mixed. Pipetted out 1.5 ml of the mixtures into spectrophotometer cuvettes and read the absorbance of test and standard against the blank at 460 nm. Then in turn beginning with the blank, add 0.33 ml of ferric chloride solution. Mixed well

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and after exactly 1.5 minutes read test and standard against the blank at 520 nm. The amount of vitamin E can be calculated using the formula

(Δ A520nm- Δ A450nm×conc [s] ×0.29)×Total volume

Vitamin E ($\mu g/g$) =

 $(\Delta A520$ nm×Vol for experiment × wt of sample)

Principle

Hot acidic medium sugar is dehydrated to hydroxy methyl furfural. This compounds found a green colour product with anthrone which was read at 630nm.

Reagents

1. Anthrone reagent

Dissolve 200mg anthrone on 100 ml of ice cold 95% H_2SO_4 . It should be prepared freshly before use.

2. Standard Glucose Solution

500 mg of glucose was dissolved in 100 ml of distilled water.

3. Working Standard

10 ml of stock was diluted to 100 ml with distilled water.

Procedure

Into a series of test tubes pipette out 0.1 to 0.5 ml of working standard and labeled as S1 to S5. The given unknown solution was made upto 100 ml with distilled water mix well and from that 0.5 ml was taken in two test tubes and marked as U1 and U2 make up the volume of each test tube to 1 ml. 1 ml of distilled water was serves as blank and add 4 ml of anthrone in all test tubes. Test tubes were treated in a water bath for 8 minutes. Cool rapidly and read the dark green colour solution at 630 nm.

Draw the standard graph by plotting concentration of standard on X-axis and absorption at Y-axis. From the graph, the amount of in the unknown was calculated.

Table

S.No	Solution	Volume of solution (ml)	Concentration (µg)	Volume of water(ml)	Volume of Anthrone (ml)	l in a boiling r bath for 8	Optical Density at 630 nm
1	Blank	-	-	1.0	^	Heated water	
2	Standard					Ηe	

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	S1	0.2	20	0.8		
	S2	0.4	40	0.6		
	S3	0.6	60	0.4		
	S4	0.8	80	0.2	4.0	
	S 5	1.0	100	-		
3	Sample	0.1	-	0.9		
		0.1	-	0.9		
4	Unknown	1.0	-	-		
		1.0	-	0.5		

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Viva-Questions

Questions

1. Define pH.

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- 2. How will you confirm the given sugar as glucose?
- 3. How will you confirm the given sugar as fructose?
- 4. How will you confirm the given sugar as polysaccharide?
- 5. What is use of ninhydrin reaction?
- 6. Define amino acids.
- 7. List out the sulphur containing amino acids.
- 8. List out the aromatic amino acids.
- 9. What is the basic structure of amino acid?
- 10. How are peptide bond forms?
- 11. What are the confirmatory tests for cysteine?
- 12. What is the confirmatory test for tryptophan?
- 13. List out the bonds involved in the tertiary structure of protein.
- 14. Define protein.
- 15. List the basics of protein structures.
- 16. Define Loop.
- 17. Define turns.
- 18. Define domain.
- 19. Define Ramachandran plot.

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- 20. Define enzyme.
- 21. List out the source of Vitamin C.
- 22. Define pKa.
- 23. What is the molecular weight of water?
- 24. Define dielectric constant
- 25. List the sources of vitamin C and vitamin E.