

Chapter 02 Testbank

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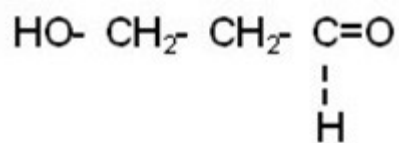
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14. Molecules that are composed principally of carbon linked to the elements hydrogen, oxygen, nitrogen, phosphorus and sulphur, are known as

- A. macromolecules.
- B. proteins.
- C. organic molecules.
- D. lipids.
- E. carbohydrates.

15. Which of the following types of molecule would be most abundant in a typical plant cell?

- A. Water
- B. Lipids
- C. Proteins
- D. Nucleic acids
- E. Carbohydrates

16. Which of the following groups of compounds are all carbohydrates?

- A. Starch, deoxyribose, glycogen
- B. Glucose, cholesterol, cellulose
- C. Haemoglobin, cellulose, glucose
- D. Cellulose, fructose, steroid
- E. Triacylglyceride, chitin, fructose

17. Polysaccharides are polymers of

- A. amino acids.
- B. simple sugars.
- C. sterols.
- D. nucleotides.
- E. triglycerides.

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- A. used by plants as an energy store.
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- C. entirely composed of monosaccharides with the formula $C_6(H_2O)_6$.
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20. While studying the biochemistry of a species of plant found in alpine bogs, a biologist discovers a previously unknown biomolecule composed entirely of carbon, hydrogen and oxygen. The molecule is a polymer composed of many thousands of a single type of subunit, and has a complex branching structure. This new biomolecule could be

- A. a carbohydrate involved in energy storage.
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- C. a nucleic acid involved in energy transfer.
- D. a glycoprotein involved in communication between cells.
- E. a lipid that is an integral component of cell membranes.

21. All lipids

- A. are more soluble in non-polar solvents than in water.
- B. have long hydrocarbon chains.
- C. are made up of fatty acids.
- D. are hydrophilic.
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- B. Waxes, triacylglycerols, cholesterol
- C. Testosterone, vitamin A, chitin
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- B. contain more energy per gram than carbohydrates or proteins.
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- D. are large polymers that contain only carbon and hydrogen atoms.
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25. Proteins contain

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- D. carbon, oxygen, nitrogen and sometimes phosphorus.
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26. Proteins are polymers of

- A. amino acids linked by peptide bonds.
- B. monosaccharides joined by glycosidic linkages.
- C. nucleotides linked by phosphodiester bonds.
- D. amino acids linked by phosphodiester bonds.
- E. peptides stabilised by hydrogen bonds.

27. All amino acids have the same general structure:

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- B. an amino group, a carboxyl group and a number of different R-groups, joined to a central carbon atom.
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- B. the hydrophobic interactions between distant amino acids.
- C. the arrangement of the R-groups along its polypeptide backbone that lead to particular patterns of coiling or folding.
- D. the positions of the intra- and inter-molecular cross-links that stabilise the spatial relationships among different parts of the molecule.
- E. interactions between polar and non-polar regions of the molecule, stabilised by hydrogen bonding and van der Waals forces.

31. In a series of laboratory experiments, you discover that reducing the pH of an enzymatic reaction reduces the biological activity of the enzyme to zero. When the change in pH is reversed the activity of the enzyme returns to normal. The best explanation for these observations is that at low pH the active site of the enzyme becomes non-functional because of a change in the enzyme's

- A. primary structure.
- B. secondary structure.
- C. primary and secondary structure.
- D. tertiary structure.
- E. primary and tertiary structure.

32. Proteins can function as

- A. steroid hormones in animals.
- B. structural elements of the cytoskeleton of protists.
- C. water-repelling agents on the external surface of animals or plants.
- D. energy storage molecules in cells.
- E. all of the statements are correct.

33. Which of the following compounds is made of protein?

- A. DNA
- B. Silk
- C. Glycogen
- D. Cholesterol
- E. Chitin

34. All nucleic acids

- A. are composed of amino acids.
- B. are found within the nucleus of the cell.
- C. are composed of nucleotides.
- D. are glucose linked through phosphodiester bonds.
- E. act as stores of genetic information.

35. All nucleotides have

- A. an amino group and a carboxyl group.
- B. an amino group and a ribose sugar.
- C. a deoxyribose sugar and a phosphate group.
- D. a deoxyribose sugar and a nitrogenous base.
- E. a nitrogenous base and a phosphate group.

36. DNA is a polymer composed of

- A. nucleotides and amino acids joined by phosphodiester linkages and peptide bonds.
- B. nucleotides and ribose monosaccharides joined by phosphodiester linkages and complementary base pairing.
- C. nucleotides joined by phosphodiester linkages and hydrogen bonds.
- D. nucleotides joined to ribose monosaccharides by a phosphodiester bond.
- E. nucleotides, ribose monosaccharides and phosphate groups, joined by phosphodiester and glycosidic linkages.

37. Carbohydrates and fatty acids are sources of energy because

- A. they have functional side groups.
- B. their core groups contain ionic bonds that can be reduced to release energy.
- C. they consist of complex polymers in a highly energised state.
- D. their covalent bonds can be oxidised to release energy.
- E. all carbohydrates and fatty acids form tetrahedral bonds to charged ions.

38. A hydrolysis reaction is so called because

- A. it involves the removal of water between monomers.
- B. it involves the removal of water from a polymer.
- C. it involves the addition of water between monomers.
- D. it involves the addition or removal of water from a monomer or polymer.
- E. all the options listed here are correct.

39. DNA is

- A. an acronym for deoxyribonucleic acid.
- B. found in all living cells.
- C. transferred from generation to generation.
- D. decoded via RNA.
- E. all the options listed here are correct.

40. A scientist tells you about a molecule she has recently isolated from a previously undiscovered organism and describes it as a purine. This molecule could therefore be

- A. adenine.
- B. uracil.
- C. cytosine.
- D. thymine.
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41. You attend a meeting with undergraduate students who are discussing the structure of proteins. Student one argues that the formation of tertiary structures comes after quaternary processing, while student two maintains that tertiary structures are typically formed before quaternary processing. Which student is correct?

- A. Just as secondary follows primary, so too does tertiary follow quaternary, therefore student two is correct.
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- A. A variety of different side-chain groups
- B. An acidic carboxyl group
- C. Linked by peptide bonds
- D. A basic amino group
- E. A ribonucleic acid group

43. Elastin is what type of protein?

- A. Proteoglycan
- B. Fibrous
- C. Globular
- D. Glycoprotein
- E. Disaccharide

44. Globular proteins are compact and spherical in structure, which is reflective of their typical function. Given this, what is a likely function of a globular protein?

- A. Macrofibril
- B. Muscle
- C. Keratin
- D. Insulin
- E. Collagen

45. When carbohydrate monomers are joined to form polymers, a reaction occurs in which water is released. What sort of reaction is this?

- A. Condensation
- B. Hydrolysis
- C. Redox
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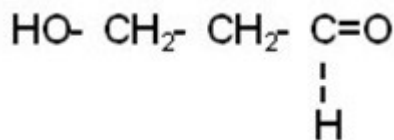
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- A. the sequence of amino acids in its polypeptide chain(s).**
- B. the hydrophobic interactions between distant amino acids.
- C. the arrangement of the R-groups along its polypeptide backbone that lead to particular patterns of coiling or folding.
- D. the positions of the intra- and inter-molecular cross-links that stabilise the spatial relationships among different parts of the molecule.
- E. interactions between polar and non-polar regions of the molecule, stabilised by hydrogen bonding and van der Waals forces.

Bloom's: Knowledge

Difficulty: Medium

Learning Objective: 2.4. Describe the structure, function and importance of proteins.

Section: Proteins

31. In a series of laboratory experiments, you discover that reducing the pH of an enzymatic reaction reduces the biological activity of the enzyme to zero. When the change in pH is reversed the activity of the enzyme returns to normal. The best explanation for these observations is that at low pH the active site of the enzyme becomes non-functional because of a change in the enzyme's

- A. primary structure.
- B. secondary structure.
- C. primary and secondary structure.
- D. tertiary structure.**
- E. primary and tertiary structure.

Bloom's: Application

Difficulty: Medium

Learning Objective: 2.4. Describe the structure, function and importance of proteins.

Section: Proteins

32. Proteins can function as

- A. steroid hormones in animals.
- B. structural elements of the cytoskeleton of protists.**
- C. water-repelling agents on the external surface of animals or plants.
- D. energy storage molecules in cells.
- E. all of the statements are correct.

Bloom's: Knowledge

Difficulty: Easy

Learning Objective: 2.4. Describe the structure, function and importance of proteins.

Section: Proteins

33. Which of the following compounds is made of protein?

- A. DNA
- B. Silk**
- C. Glycogen
- D. Cholesterol
- E. Chitin

Bloom's: Knowledge

Difficulty: Easy

Learning Objective: 2.4. Describe the structure, function and importance of proteins.

Section: Proteins

34. All nucleic acids

- A. are composed of amino acids.
- B. are found within the nucleus of the cell.
- C. are composed of nucleotides.**
- D. are glucose linked through phosphodiester bonds.
- E. act as stores of genetic information.

Bloom's: Knowledge

Difficulty: Easy

Learning Objective: 2.5. Describe the structure, function and importance of nucleic acids.

Section: Nucleic acids

35. All nucleotides have

- A. an amino group and a carboxyl group.
- B. an amino group and a ribose sugar.
- C. a deoxyribose sugar and a phosphate group.
- D. a deoxyribose sugar and a nitrogenous base.
- E. a nitrogenous base and a phosphate group.**

Bloom's: Knowledge

Difficulty: Medium

Learning Objective: 2.5. Describe the structure, function and importance of nucleic acids.

Section: Nucleic acids

36. DNA is a polymer composed of

- A. nucleotides and amino acids joined by phosphodiester linkages and peptide bonds.
- B. nucleotides and ribose monosaccharides joined by phosphodiester linkages and complementary base pairing.
- C. nucleotides joined by phosphodiester linkages and hydrogen bonds.**
- D. nucleotides joined to ribose monosaccharides by a phosphodiester bond.
- E. nucleotides, ribose monosaccharides and phosphate groups, joined by phosphodiester and glycosidic linkages.

Bloom's: Knowledge

Difficulty: Hard

Learning Objective: 2.5. Describe the structure, function and importance of nucleic acids.

Section: Nucleic acids

37. Carbohydrates and fatty acids are sources of energy because

- A. they have functional side groups.
- B. their core groups contain ionic bonds that can be reduced to release energy.
- C. they consist of complex polymers in a highly energised state.
- D.** their covalent bonds can be oxidised to release energy.
- E. all carbohydrates and fatty acids form tetrahedral bonds to charged ions.

Bloom's: Knowledge

Difficulty: Medium

Learning Objective: 2.1. Define 'organic molecules' and 'functional groups' and give examples of important functional groups of biomolecules.

Section: Biomolecules

38. A hydrolysis reaction is so called because

- A. it involves the removal of water between monomers.
- B. it involves the removal of water from a polymer.
- C.** it involves the addition of water between monomers.
- D. it involves the addition or removal of water from a monomer or polymer.
- E. all the options listed here are correct.

Bloom's: Comprehension

Difficulty: Hard

Learning Objective: 2.1. Define 'organic molecules' and 'functional groups' and give examples of important functional groups of biomolecules.

Section: Biomolecules

39. DNA is

- A. an acronym for deoxyribonucleic acid.
- B. found in all living cells.
- C. transferred from generation to generation.
- D. decoded via RNA.
- E.** all the options listed here are correct.

Bloom's: Knowledge

Difficulty: Easy

Learning Objective: 2.1. Define 'organic molecules' and 'functional groups' and give examples of important functional groups of biomolecules.

Section: Nucleic acids

40. A scientist tells you about a molecule she has recently isolated from a previously undiscovered organism and describes it as a purine. This molecule could therefore be

- A. adenine.
- B. uracil.
- C. cytosine.
- D. thymine.
- E. All the options listed here are incorrect.

Bloom's: Knowledge

Difficulty: Medium

Learning Objective: 2.1. Define 'organic molecules' and 'functional groups' and give examples of important functional groups of biomolecules.

Section: Nucleic acids

41. You attend a meeting with undergraduate students who are discussing the structure of proteins. Student one argues that the formation of tertiary structures comes after quaternary processing, while student two maintains that tertiary structures are typically formed before quaternary processing. Which student is correct?

- A. Just as secondary follows primary, so too does tertiary follow quaternary, therefore student two is correct.
- B. Just as secondary follows primary, so too does quaternary follow tertiary, therefore student one is correct.
- C. Just as secondary follows primary, so too does quaternary follow tertiary, therefore student two is correct.
- D. Just as secondary follows primary, so too does tertiary follow quaternary, therefore student one is correct.
- E. Both students are incorrect.

Bloom's: Evaluation

Difficulty: Hard

Learning Objective: 2.4. Describe the structure, function and importance of proteins.

Section: Proteins

42. Which of the following is NOT a general structure of amino acids found in a protein?

- A. A variety of different side-chain groups
- B. An acidic carboxyl group
- C. Linked by peptide bonds
- D. A basic amino group
- E. A ribonucleic acid group

Bloom's: Knowledge

Difficulty: Medium

Learning Objective: 2.4. Describe the structure, function and importance of proteins.

Section: Proteins

43. Elastin is what type of protein?

- A. Proteoglycan
- B. Fibrous**
- C. Globular
- D. Glycoprotein
- E. Disaccharide

Bloom's: Knowledge

Difficulty: Medium

Learning Objective: 2.4. Describe the structure, function and importance of proteins.

Section: Proteins

44. Globular proteins are compact and spherical in structure, which is reflective of their typical function. Given this, what is a likely function of a globular protein?

- A. Macrofibril
- B. Muscle
- C. Keratin
- D. Insulin**
- E. Collagen

Bloom's: Evaluation

Difficulty: Medium

Learning Objective: 2.4. Describe the structure, function and importance of proteins.

Section: Proteins

45. When carbohydrate monomers are joined to form polymers, a reaction occurs in which water is released. What sort of reaction is this?

- A. Condensation**
- B. Hydrolysis
- C. Redox
- D. Exothermic
- E. Precipitation

Bloom's: Knowledge

Difficulty: Easy

Learning Objective: 2.2. Describe the structure, function and importance of the three main groups of carbohydrate.

Section: Carbohydrates

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