# Chemistry Notes for class 12 Chapter 14 Biomolecules

Biomolecules are the organic compounds which form the basis of life, i.e., they build up the living system and responsible for their growth and maintenance.

The sequence that relates biomolecules to living organism is

Biomolecules  $\rightarrow$  Organelles  $\rightarrow$  Cells  $\rightarrow$  Tissues  $\rightarrow$  Organs  $\rightarrow$  Living organism.

# Carbohydrates

Optically active polyhydroxy aldehydes (aldcses) or ketones (ketoses) or compounds which on hydrolysis give these units are known as carbohydrates. They are also called saccharides

(Latin Saccharum = sugar) due to sweet taste of simpler members.

Depending upon their behaviour towards hydrolysis, carbohydrates can be of following three types

#### Monosaccharides

These cannot be hydrolysed to simpler molecules and further subdivided into tetroses, pentoses or hexoses depending upon the number of carbon atoms. These are also called homopolysaccharides.

- Aldotetroses Erythrose, Threose
- Aldopentoses Xylose, Ribose,
- Aldohexoses Glucose, Galactose,
- Ketohexoses Fructose

All naturally occurring monosaccharides belong to D-series.

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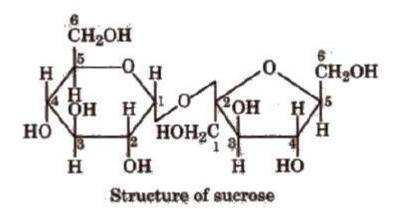
# Oligosaccharides

(Greek oligos = few). On hydrolysis, they generally give two to nine monosaccharides (same or different) and are further classified as disaccharides, e.g., sucrose, maltose, lactose, trisaccharides and so on.  $C_{12}H_{22}O_{11}$  is a disaccharide because it gives two monosaccharides.



The bond formed between two monosaccharides is called a glycosidic bond and normally it is (1, 4) bond.

Sucrose is most abundant in plants and known as cane sugar or table sugar or invert sugar as equimolar mixture of glucose and fructose is obtained by hydrolysis of sucrose.



Trisaccharides Raffinose (C<sub>18</sub>H<sub>32</sub>O<sub>16</sub>)

# $(C_{18}H_{32}O_{16}) + 2H_2O \xrightarrow{H^+}$ Glucose + Fructose + Galactose

# Polysaccharides

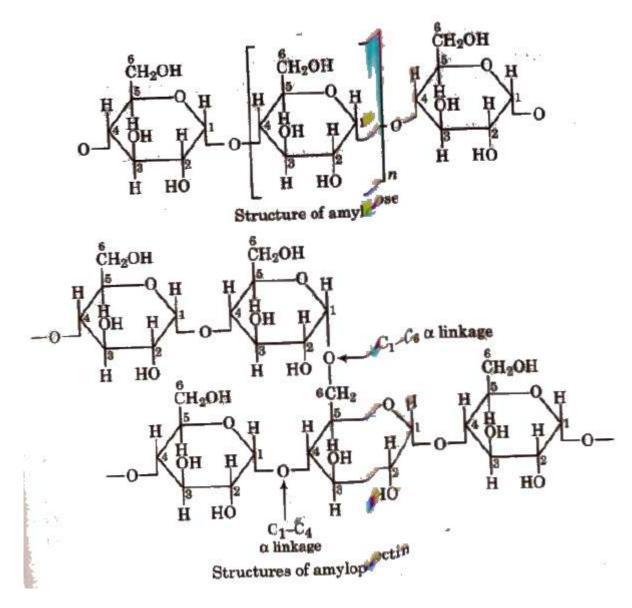
These are polymers of monosaccharides. Examples are starch, cellulose, glycogen, etc.

**1. Starch,**  $(C_6H_{10}O_5)_N$ 

It is a polymer of a-glucose and a major reserve food in plants. It turns blue with iodine. It is a mixture of two components:

- 1. Amylose (20%), an unbranched water soluble polymer.
- 2. Amylopectin (80%), a branched water insoluble polymer.

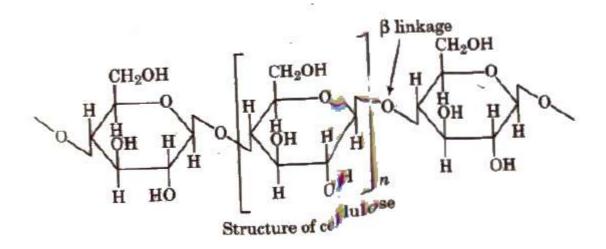
Sources of starch are potatoes, wheat, rice, maize, etc.



**2. Cellulose,**  $(C_6H_{10}O_5)_n$ 

It is the most abundant and structural, polysaccharide of plants. It is important food source of some animals It is a polymer of D (+)  $\beta$ -glucose.

The chief sources of cellulose are wood (Contains 50% cellulose rest being lignin, resins, etc) and cotton (contains 90% cellulose rest being fats and waxes).



#### Several materials are obtained from cellulose:

- 1. **Mercerised cotton** Cellulose treated with cone. sodium hydroxide solution acquire silky lustre. It is called mercerissd cotton.
- 2. **Gun cotton** It is completely nitrated cellulose (cellulose nitrate), highly explosive in nature and is used in the manufacture of smokeless gun powder, called blasting gelatin.
- 3. Cellulose acetate It is used for making acetate rayon and motion picture films.
- 4. **Cellulosexanthate** It is obtained by treating cellulose with sodium hydroxide and carbon disulphide and is the basic material for VISCOSE rayon.

Oligosaccharides and heteropolysaccharides are also called heteropolysaccharides.

#### **Reducing and Non-reducing sugars**

Based upon reducing and non-reducing properties, carbohydrates are classified as reducing and non-reducing sugars. Carbohydrates reducing Fehling reagent or Tollen's reagent are termed as reducing carbohydrates. e.g., All monosaccharides and disaccharides (except sucrose). But carbohydrates which do not reduce such reagents are known as non-reducing carbohydrates. e.g., sucrose and polysaccharides.

#### **Sugars and Non-sugars**

On the basis of their, taste, carbohydrates are classified as sugars and non-sugars. The monosaccharides and oligosaccharides having sweet taste are collectively known as sugars. Polysaccharides which are insoluble in water and not sweet in taste, are non-sugars.

#### Glucose

Dextrose, grape sugar, corn sugar, blood sugar ( $C_6H_{12}O_6$ ).

#### Manufacture

By hydrolysis of starch with hot dil mineral acids and by hydrolysis of sucrose.

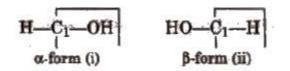
$$\begin{array}{ccc} C_{12}H_{22}O_{11} + H_2O & \longrightarrow & C_{\theta}H_{12}O_{\theta} + C_{\theta}H_{12}O_{\theta} \\ \text{sucrose} & & H^+ & \text{glucose} & \text{fructose} \end{array}$$

$$(C_{\theta}H_{10}O_5)_n & + nH_2O & \xrightarrow{H^+} & nC_{\theta}H_{12}O_{\theta} \\ \text{starch or cellulose} & & 393 \text{ K; 2-3 bar} & \text{glucose} \end{array}$$

Extra glucose is stored in liver as glycogen.

## $\alpha$ and $\beta$ glucose

In intermolecular hemiacetal formation (cyclic structure), -CHO is converted into -CHOH which can have two configurations as shown below.



Glucose having (i) configuration about  $C_1$  is the  $\alpha$ -glucose and having (ii) configuration about  $C_1$  is  $\beta$ -glucose.

The carbon  $C_1$  is known as anomeric carbon and these compounds are called anomers. Both the forms are optically active. ex-D-glucosehas specific rotation +111.5° and  $\beta$ -D-glucose has specific rotation + 19.5°.

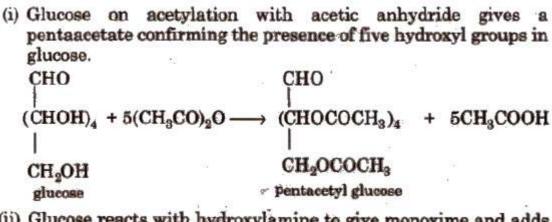
#### **Mutarotation**

When either of the two forms of glucose is dissolved in water, there is a spontaneous change in specific rotation till the equilibrium value of  $+52.5^{\circ}$ . This is known as mutarotation.

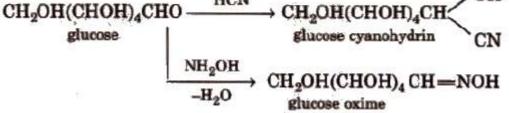
 $\alpha$ -D(+) Glucose  $\Rightarrow$  Equilibrium mixture  $\Rightarrow \beta$ -D-(+) Glucose +111.5° + 52.5° + 19.5°

#### **Properties of glucose**

Glucose has one aldehyde group, one primary hydroxyl (-CH<sub>2</sub>OH) and four secondary hydroxyl (-CHOH) groups and gives the following reactions:



(ii) Glucose reacts with hydroxylamine to give monoxime and adds with a molecule of hydrogen cyanide to give a cyanohydrin. OH



These reactions confirm the presence of a carbonyl group in glucose.

(iii) Glucose reduces ammoniacal silver nitrate solution (Tollen's reagent) to metallic silver and also Fehling'S solution or Benedict solution to reddish brown cuprous oxide (Cu<sub>2</sub>O) and itself gets oxidised to gluconic acid. This confirms the presence of an aldehydic group in glucose.

(iv) With mild oxidising agent like bromine water, glucose is oxidised to gluconic acid. Glucose on oxidation with nitric acid gives saccharic acid.

HOOC-(CHOH)<sub>4</sub>-COOH  $\leftarrow$  HNO<sub>3</sub> HOCH<sub>2</sub>(CHOH)<sub>4</sub>CHO saccharic acid glucose

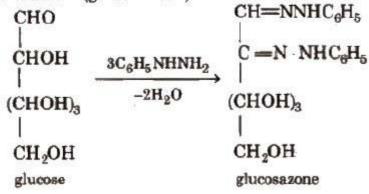
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(v) Glucose on prolonged heating with HI forms n-hexane, suggesting that all the 6 carbon atoms in glucose are linked linearly.

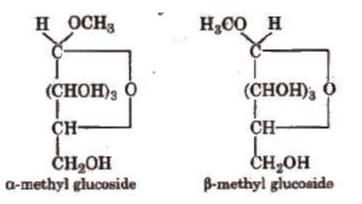
HOCH<sub>2</sub>—(CHOH)<sub>4</sub>—CHO 
$$\xrightarrow{\text{HI}, \Delta}$$
  
H<sub>3</sub>C—CH<sub>2</sub>—CH<sub>2</sub>—CH<sub>2</sub>—CH<sub>2</sub>—CH<sub>2</sub>—CH<sub>2</sub>—CH<sub>2</sub>  
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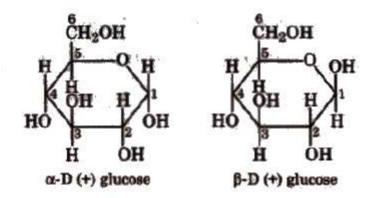
(vi) D-glucose reacts with three molecules of phenyl hydrazine to give osazone (glucosazone).



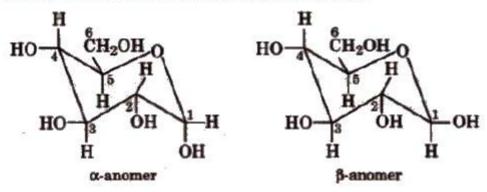
(vii) Glucose on reaction with methyl alcohol in the presence of dry HCl(g) forms  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$ -methyl glycosides. The reaction occurs only at the OH of hemiacetylic carbon.



Cyclic structure of glucose Given by Haworth and Hirst.



Glucose is sometimes illustrated as a chair form :



**Fructose Fruit Sugar** (C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>12</sub>O<sub>6</sub>)

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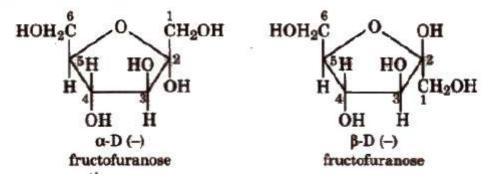
## Manufacture

By hydrolysis of inulin.

$$(C_{6}H_{16}O_{5})_{n} + nH_{2}O \xrightarrow{H^{+}} nC_{6}H_{12}O_{6}$$
  
inulin fructose

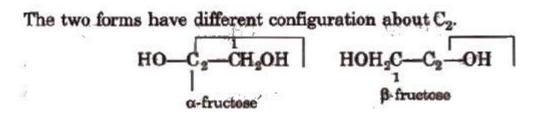
# Structure

Fructose has furanose structure, *i.e.*, ring structure consisting of four C atoms and one O atom.



#### $\alpha$ and $\beta$ -fructose

The two forms have different configuration about C<sub>2</sub>.



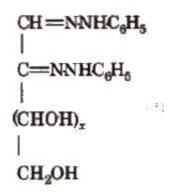
Fructose does not reduce  $Br_2$  water.

# **Epimers**

Monosaccharides differing in configuration at a carbon other than anomeric carbon are called epimers, e.g., glucose and galactose differ in configuration at  $C_4$ , hence called epimers.

## Osazones

Monosaccharides and reducing disaccharides react with excess of phenyl hydrazine to form crystalline substances of the structure



It is known as osazones glucose and fructose give same osazone.

# **Molisch Test for Carbohydrates**

In aqueous solution of compound add solution of  $\alpha$ -naphthol in alcohol and then cone. H<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> along the walls of the test tube. Purple coloured ring is obtained at the junction.

Cane sugar is assum			teness of 10. The relative sweetenes	The second second second
sugars is Lactose		1.6	Invert sugar : 12.6	
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Fructose	:	17.3	Maitose : 3.2	
Saccharin	:	300 (an a	rtificial sweetener)	
Glucose		7.4		16

Amino Acids

The compounds containing amino group (-NH<sub>2</sub>) and carboxylic group (-COOH) are called amino acids.

R = H, alkyl or aryl group. Except glycine (H<sub>2</sub>N.CH<sub>2</sub>COOH), others are optically active in nature.

**Classification of Amino Acids** 

- (a)  $\alpha$ ,  $\beta$ ,  $\gamma$ -amino acids Depending upon the position of  $-NH_2$  wrt -COOH group.
- (b) Neutral Having one  $-NH_2$  and one -COOH, e.g.,  $NH_2 \cdot CH_2 \cdot COOH$  (glycine).
- (c) Acidic Having one ----NH2 and two ----COOH, e.g., NH2

(d) **Basic** Having two or more  $-NH_2$  and one -COOH, e.g.,  $NH_2$  | $H_2N(CH_2)_4-CH-COOH$  (lysine).

#### **Essential and Non-essential Amino Acids**

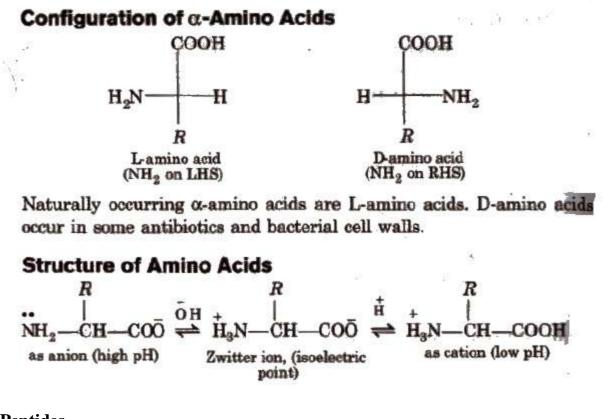
Human body can synthesise ten amino acids, called non-essential amino acids. The remaining ten amino acids required for protein synthesis are not synthesised by body and are called essential amino acids. They are

- 1. Phenylalanine
- 2. Histidine
- 3. Tryptophan
- 4. Valine
- 5. Methionine
- 6. Threonine
- 7. Arginine
- 8. Leucine

9. Isoleucine 10.Lysine

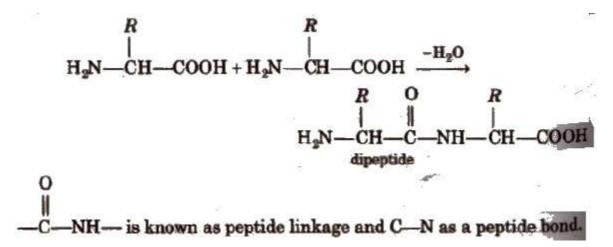
#### Nomenclature

They are known by their common names and abbreviated by first three letters of their common names e.g., glycine as 'gly' and alanine a as 'ala'.



#### Peptides

Peptides are condensation products of two or more amino acids.



Two molecules of different amino acids can form two dipeptides. Three molecules of different amino acids can give six tripeptides.

Dipeptide has only one peptide bond, tripeptide has two peptide bonds and so on. Thus, a polypeptide made up of n-amino acids has (n - 1) peptide bonds.

# **Polypeptides**

Condensation Products of many amino acids ( 'In P xiucts of many amino acids ( $\approx$  10000) is known as polypeptide and those polypeptides which have molecular mass above than 10000 are called proteins.

# Proteins

They are linear polymers of a-amino acids.

# **Structure of Proteins**

# (a) Primary structure

It simply reveals the sequence of amino acids.

(b) Secondary structure  $\alpha$ -helix structure maintained by hydrogen bonds or  $\beta$ -pleated sheet structure when R is small group.

(c) **Tertiary structure** The folding and superimposition of polypeptide chains forms a compact globular shape, termed as tertiary structure. It is stabilised by covalent, ionic, hydrogen and disulphide bonds.

The precise arrangement constitutes the quaternary structure.

# **Classification on the Basis of Hydrolysis Products**

(i) Simple These yield only a-amino acids upon hydrolysis.

e.g., albumin.

(ii) Conjugated proteins These yield  $\alpha$ -amino acids and non-protein part, called prosthetic group.

ProteinProsthetic groupNucleoproteinsNucleic acidPhospho proteinsPhosphoric acidGlycoproteinsCarbohydratesMetalioproteinsMetals

Lipoproteins Lipids

(iii) **Derived proteins** These are obtained by partial hydrolysis of simple or conjugated proteins.

Proteins  $\rightarrow$  Proteoses  $\rightarrow$  Peptones  $\rightarrow$  Polypeptides

## **Classification on the Basis Functions**

- 1. Structural proteins Fibrous proteins
- 2. Enzymes Serve as biological catalyst e.g., pepsin, trypsin etc.
- 3. Hormones Insulin
- 4. Contractile proteins Found in muscles, e.g., myosin, actin.
- 5. Antibodies Gamma globulins present in blood.
- 6. Blood protein Albumms, haemoglobin and fibrinogen.

Haemoglobin is a globular protein. Its prosthetic group is heme. It Contains 574 amino acid units distributed in four polypeptide chains.

Two chains containing 141 amino acid residues each are called  $\alpha$ -chains and the two chains containing 146 amino acid residues are called  $\beta$ -chains.

Sickle cell anaemia is caused by defective haemoglobin obtained by replacing only one amino acid, i.e., glutamic acid by valine.

# **Denaturation of Proteins**

The process that changes the three dimensional structure of native proteins is called denaturation of proteins. It can be caused by Change in pH, addition of electrolyte, heating or addition of solvent like water, alcohol or acetone.

# **Tests of Proteins**

# (i) Biuret Test

Protein solution + NaOH + dil. CuSO<sub>4</sub>  $\rightarrow$  pink or violet colour.

# (ii) Millon's Test

Protein solution + Millon's reagent  $\rightarrow$  pink colour

Millon's reagent is solution of mercuric nitrate and nitrite in nitric acid containing traces of nitrous acid.

# (iii) Iodine reaction

Protein solution + iodine in potassium iodide solution  $\rightarrow$  yellow colour.

# (iv)Xanthoprotic test

# Protein solution + conc. $HNO_3 \rightarrow yellow \ colour \xrightarrow{NaOH} orange colour.$

#### Enzymes

Enzymes constitute a group of complex proteinoid compounds, produced by living organisms which catalyse the chlemical reaction.

Non-proteinous components enhance the activity of certain enzymes and are known as coenzymes. These include metal ions like  $Mn^{2+}$ ,  $Mg^{2+}$ ,  $K^+$ ,  $Na^+$ ,  $Zn^{2+}$ ,  $Co^{2+}$  etc., heterocyclic ring systems (pyrrole, purine, pyridine, etc.), a sugar residue, phosphoric acid residue of vitamins like thiamine, riboflavin etc.

**Endoenzyme** acts in the same cell in which it is synthesised, while exo-enzyme acts outside the cell in which it is synthesised.

## Nomenclature

They are usually named by adding the suffix 'ase' to the root name of the substrate e.g., urease, maltase, diastase, invertase, etc.

# **Oxidative Enzymes**

They catalyse oxidation-reduction reaction and are mostly conjugated proteins.

#### Some Common Enzyme

Name	Substrate	Products			
Urease	Urea	$CO \!\!<\!\! sub \!\!>\!\! 2 \!\!<\!\!\!/sub \!\!>\!\! + NH \!\!<\!\! sub \!\!>\!\! 3 \!\!<\!\!/sub \!\!>$			
Maltase	Maltose	Glucose			
Invertase	Sucrose	Glucose + fructose			
Amylase	Starch	Maltose			
Trypsin	Proteins	Amino acids			
Ascorbic acid oxidase Ascorbic acid Dehydroascorbic acid					

# **Characteristic Features of Enzymes**

- 1. Rate of reaction They increase the rate of reaction up to  $10^6$  to  $10^7$  times.
- 2. **Specific nature** Urease catalyse the hydrolysis of urea and not methyl urea, so these are specific in nature.

- 3. **Optimum temperature** It is about 20-30°C.
- 4. **pH of medium** It is about 7 but for pepsin, it is 1.8.2.2 and for trypsin, it is 7.5-8.3.
- 5. Concentration Dilute solutions are more effective.
- 6. Amount of enzyme Very small amount can accelerate the reaction.
- 7. **Enzyme inhibitors** These compounds inhibit the enzyme action. With the help of such compounds, the reaction can be controlled.

# **Mechanism of Enzyme Action**

 $Enzyme + Substrate \rightarrow [Enzyme substrate] \rightarrow Product + Enzyme Activated complex$ 

# **Applications of Enzymes**

(i) **Treatment of diseases** The congenital disease phenyl ketonurie caused by phenylalanine hyroxylase can be cured by diet of low phenylalanine content. Enzyme streptokinase is used for blood clotting to prevent heart disease.

(ii) In industry Tanning of leather, fermentation process etc.

# **Nucleic Acids**

# **Important Terms of Nucleic Acids**

# 1. Nucleotldes

Nucleotides consist of 5-carbon sugar + nitrogenous base + 1, 3-phosphate groups.

# 2. Pentose sugar

It is either ribose or deoxy ribose (not having oxygen at  $C_2$ ).

# 3. Nitrogenous base

Derived from purines having two rings in their structure e.g., Adenine (A) and Guanine (G) and derived from pyrimidines having one ring in their structure e.g.,

Thymine (T), Uracil (U) and Cytosine (C).

Two H-bonds are present between A and T (A = T) while three H-bonds are present between C and G (C  $\equiv$  G).

# 4. Ribonucleotide

Phosphate unit + Ribose + one base unit from A, G, C, or U.

# 5. Deoxyrlbo nucleotide

Phosphate unit + Deoxyribose + one base from A, G, C or T.

# 6. Nucleoside

Ribose-/deoxyribose + one base unit from A, G, C, Tor U.

# **DNA and RNA**

Nucleic acid is polynucleotide, present in the living cells or bacterial cells having no nucleus and in viruses having no cells.

(i) DNA Deoxy ribonucleic acid.

 $DNA + H_{2O} \rightarrow Phosphoric acid + deoxyribose + A, G, C, T$ 

(ii) RNA Ribonucleic acid

 $RNA + H_{2O \rightarrow Phosphoric acid + Ribose + A, G, C, U}$ 

# **Structure of DNA**

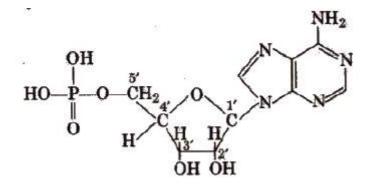
It consists of two polynucleotide chains, each chain form a right handed helical spiral with ten bases in one turn of the spiral. The two chains coil to double helix and run in opposite direction. These are held together by hydrogen bonding.

# Structure of RNA

It is usually a single strand of ribonucleotides and take up right handed helical conformation. Up to 12000 nucleotides constitute an RNA.

It can base pair with complementary strands of DNA or RNA according to standard base pairing rules-G pairs with C, A pairs with U or T. The paired strands in RNA-RNA or RNA-DNA are anti parallel as in DNA.

In both DNA and RNA, heterocyclic base and phosphate ester linkages are at  $C_1$  and  $C_5$  'respectively of the sugar molecule.



# **Types of RNA**

- 1. Messanger RNA (m-RNA) It is produced in the nucleus and carries information for the synthesis of proteins.
- 2. Transfer RNA (Soluble or Adoptive RNA) (s-RNA, t-RNA) It is found in cytoplasm. Its function-is to collect amino acids from cytoplasm for protein synthesis.

## **Functions of Nucleic Acids**

- 1. Direct the synthesis of proteins.
- 2. Transfer the genetic information (hereditary characters).

# Replication

It is a process in which a molecule of DNA can duplicate.

**Template** It means pattern. In the process of replication of DNA, the parent strand serves as template.

Gene The portion of DNA carrying information about a specific protein is Called gene.

**Genetic code** The relation between the amino acid and the nucleotide triplet is called genetic code.

**Codons** The nucleotide bases in RNA function in groups of three (triplet) in coding amino acids. These base triplets are called codons.

The world code is used with reference to DNA, codon with reference to m-RNA and anticodon with reference to t-RNA.

# Lipids

The constituents of animals and plants soluble in organic solvents (ether, chloroform. carbon tetrachloride), but insoluble in water are called lipids. (Greek lipose = fat)

# **Types of Lipids**

# (i) Simple lipids

(a) Fats and oils on hydrolysis give long chain fatty acids + glycerol.

(**b**) Waxes Long chain fatty acids + long chain alcohols.

Vegetable and animal oils and fats have similar chemical structure and are triesters of glycerol, called glycerol.

Simple glycerides contain one type of fatty acids. Mixed glycerides contain two or three types of fatty acids.

Common saturated fatty acids CH<sub>3</sub>-(CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>n</sub>COOH.

When n = 4 caproic acid; n = 6 caprylic acid; n = 8 capric acid, n = 10 lauric acid n = 12 myristic acid; n = 14 palmitic acid, n = 16 stearic acid.

# **Common unsaturated acids**

C<sub>17</sub>H<sub>33</sub>COOH oleic acid; C<sub>17</sub>H<sub>33</sub>COOH linoleic acid.

**Difference between oils and fats** Oils are liquids at ordinary temprature (below 20° and contain lower fatty acids or unsaturated fatty acids.

Fats are solids or semisolids above 20°C and contain higher saturated fatty acids. Oils and fats act as "energy reservoirs" for the cells.

(ii) **Phospholipids** Phosphate + glycerol + fatty acids + a nitrogen containing base.

# Function of phospholipids are

1. As emulsifying agents since they carry hydrophilic polar groups and hydrophobic non-polar groups.

2. They absorb fatty acids from the intestine and transport to blood cells.

(iii) Glycolipids They contain one or more simple sugars and are important components of cell membranes and chlorplast membranes.

(iv) Steroids and Terpenes Menthol, camphor are common plant terpenes. Carotenoids and pigments are also terpenes.

(a) Essential oils The volatile, sweet smelling liquids obtained from flowers, leaves, stems, etc. Example of terpenes are esters of lower fatty acid, e.g., clove oil, rose oil, lemon oil.

(b) Drying oils The oils which are converted into tough, transparent mass when exposed to air by oxidation polymerisation process are called drying oils. e.g., Linseed oil, perilla, poppy seed oils.

Cotton seed oil and til oil are semidrying oils.

# Acid Value

It is the number of milligrams of KOH required to neutralise the free acid present in 1 g of oil or fat.

#### **Saponification Value**

It is the number of milligrams of KOH required to saponify 1g of oil or fat or the number of milligrams of KOH required to neutralise the free acidresulting from the hydrolysis of 1 g of an oil or fat.

## **Iodine Value**

It is the number of grams of iodine absorbed by 100 g of oil or fat.

## **Relchert-Meissel Value (R/M Value)**

It is the number of cc of N/10 KOH required to neutralise the distillate of 5 g of hydrolysed fat.

#### Blood

An average person has about 6.8 L of blood which is about 6-10% of the body weight. pH of blood is about 7.4.

**Haemoglobin** is globular protein. It is made up of four polypeptide chains which are arranged in tetrahedral manner. Each chain is associated with a non-protein part, called haem.

## Haemoglobin

These axe the chemical substances which are produced by ductless glands in the body. Hormones acts as chemical messengers.

Some examples of ductless '(endocrine) glands are thyroid, pitutary, adrenal, pancreas, testes and ovaries.

Hormones are divided into three types:

- 1. steroids
- 2. proteins or polypeptides
- 3. amines.

	Hormone	Source	Chemical name	Function
1.	Thyroxin	Thyroid	Amino acid	Stimulates metabolism.
2.	Adrenaline	Adrenal	Amine	Increases pulse rate and blood pressure, release glucose from glycogen and fatty acids from fats
3.	Insulin	Pancreas	Peptide .	Decreases blood glucose.
4.	Glucogon	Pancreas	Peptide	Increases blood glucose.
5.	Testosterone	Testes	Steroid	Controls normal functioning of male sex organs.
6.	Estrone and Estradiol	Ovary	Steroid	Controls normal functioning of female sex organs.
7.	Progesterone	Ovary	Steroid	Prepare uterus for pregnancy, controls menstrual cycle.
8.	Cortisone	Adrenal cortex	Steroid	Metabolism of water, minera salts, fats, proteins and carbohydrates.

Insulin is a protein hormone which is secreted by  $\beta$ -cells of the pancreas. Insulin was the first polypeptide in which the amino acid sequence was experimentally determined. Its deficiency leads to diabetes mellitus.

# Vitamins

The organic compounds other than carbohydrates, proteins and facts which are required by body to maintain normal health, growth and nutrition are called vitamins.

The vitamins are complex organic molecules. They are represented by letters such as A, B, C, D, E, K.

Vitamins are broadly classified into two types,

- 1. Water soluble vitamins and
- 2. oil soluble vitamins.

Vitamins A, D, E and K are oil soluble whereas vitamins B and C are water soluble. Vitamin H is neither fat soluble nor water soluble.

Vitamin	Chemical nature	Deficiency diseases Night blindness, Xerophthalmia (cornea becomes opaque), drying of skin.	
Vitamin: A (Carotenoids or Axerophytol or ratinol)	Soluble in oils and fats, but insoluble in water.		
Vitamin B <sub>1</sub> (Thiamine)	Soluble in water, destroyed by heat.	Beriberi, loss of appetite.	
Vitamin 82 (Ribollavin)	Soluble in water, stable to heat, destroyed by light.	Cracked lips, sore tongue and skin disorders.	
Vitamin B <sub>6</sub> (Pyridoxine)		Nervous disturbances and convulsions (pernious anaemia).	
Vitamin B <sub>12</sub> (Cyano cobalamin)	Soluble in water and contains cobalt, red crystalline.	A serious type of anaemia.	
Vitamin C (Ascorbic, Acid, CeHgO6)	Soluble in water, destroyed by cooking and exposure to air.	Scurvy, dental caries, pyorrhea, anaemia,	
Vitamin D (Calciferol)	min D (Calciferol) Mixture of four complex compounds containing C, H and O. Soluble in fats and oils but insoluble in water. Stable towards heat and oxidation. This vitamin regulates the absorption of calcium and phosphate in intestine.		
Vitamin E (Tocopherol)	Mixture of 3 complex substances containing C, H and O. Soluble in fats and oils but insoluble in water. Stable to heat and oxidation.	and degeneration of	
Vitamin K	Mixture of two complex substances containing C, H and Ó. Soluble in fats but insoluble in water. Stable to heat and oxidation.	haemorrhage and	

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# • Carbohydrates:

Polyhydroxy aldehydes or polyhydroxy ketones or compounds on hydrolysis give carbohydrates.

# • Classification of carbohydrates:

Monosaccharides

- a) Simplest carbohydrates
- b) It cannot be hydrolysed into simpler compounds
- c) Examples Glucose, mannose

Oligosaccharides

- a) Carbohydrates which gives 2 to 10 monosaccharide units on hydrolysis
- b) Examples Sucrose, Lactose, Maltose

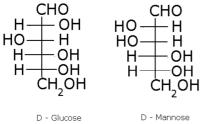
Polysaccharides

- a) Carbohydrates which on hydrolysis give large number of monosaccharide units.
- b) Examples Cellulose, starch
- Anomers:

Pair of optical isomers which differ in configuration only around C1 atom are called anomers. Examples -  $\alpha$  -D-glucopyranose and  $\beta$ -D-glucopyranose.

# • Epimers:

Pair of optical isomers which differ in configurationaround any other C atom other than C1 atom are called epimers. E.g. D-glucose and D- mannose are C2 epimers.



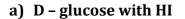
- Preparation of glucose (also called dextrose, grape sugar):
  - a) From sucrose

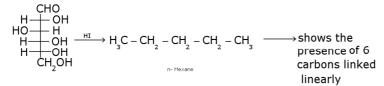
$$C_{12}H_{22}O_{11} + H_2O \xrightarrow{H^+} C_6H_{12}O_6 + C_6H_{12}O_6$$
  
Sucrose Glucose Fractose

b) From starch

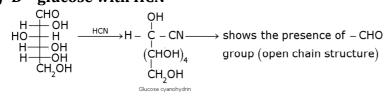
$$(C_{12}H_{22}O_5)_n + H_2O \xrightarrow{H^+/393k;2-3atm} nC_6H_{12}O_6$$
  
Sucrose  
Or  
Cellulose

- Structure of glucose  $CHO - (CHOH)_4 - CH_2OH$
- Structure elucidation of glucose:



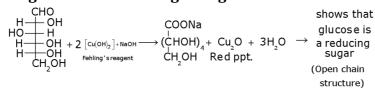


b) D - glucose with HCN

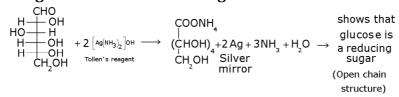


c) D-glucose with NH<sub>2</sub>OH HO + HO + HOH + HOH

#### d) D- glucose with Fehling's reagent



#### e) D - glucose with Tollen's reagent



#### f) D – glucose with nitric acid



→ This indicates the presence of primary alcoholic group in glucose

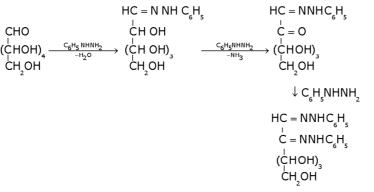
#### g) D – glucose with (CH<sub>3</sub>CO)<sub>2</sub>O and ZnCl<sub>2</sub>

 $Glucose \xrightarrow{5(CH_3CO)_2O/ZnCl_2} CHO - (CHOCOCH_3)_4 - CH_2OCOCH_3 + 5CH_3COOH \rightarrow \text{ shows the presence of 5 -OH groups} Penta acetyl glucose}$ 

#### h) D - glucose with bromine water

 $CHO - (CHOH)_4 - CH_2OH \xrightarrow{Br_2 \text{ water}} COOH - (CHOH)_4 - CH_2OH$ Gluconic acid

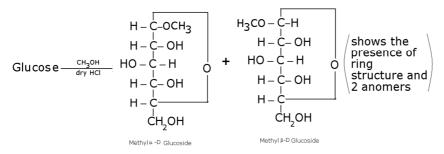
i) Glucose with phenyl hydrazine to form osazone



Glucos azone or Fructosazone

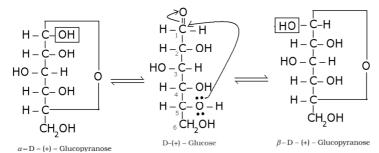
Glucose and fructose gives the same osazone because the reaction takes place at C1 and C2 only.

• Other Reactions of Glucose (Presence of ring structure)

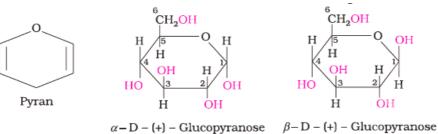


Glucose does not give Schiff's test and does not react with sodium bisulphite and NH3. Pentaacetyl glucose does not react with hydroxyl amine. This shows the absence of –CHO group and hence the presence of ring structure.

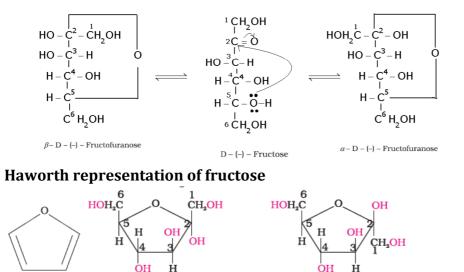
• Cyclic structure of glucose:



• Haworth representation of glucose:



• Cyclic structure of fructose:



#### • Glycosidic linkage:

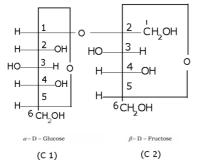
Furan

The oxide linkage formed by the loss of a water molecule when two monosaccharides are joined together through oxygen atom is called glycosidic linkage.

 $\beta$  – D – (–) – Fructofuranose

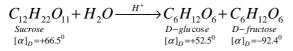
#### • Sucrose (invert sugar):

a) Sucrose is a non-reducing sugar because the two monosaccharide units are held together by a glycosidic linkage between C1 of  $\alpha$ -glucose and C2 of  $\beta$ - fructose. Since the reducing groups of glucose and fructose are involved in glycosidic bond formation, sucrose is a non-reducing sugar.

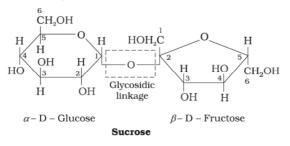


a - D - (-) - Fructofuranose

b) Sucrose is dextrorotatory but on hydrolysis it gives dextrorotatory & laevorotatory and the mixture is laevorotatory.

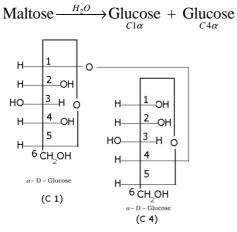


• Haworth Projection of Sucrose:

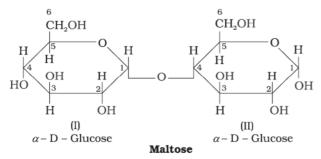


#### • Maltose:

- a) Maltose is composed of two  $\alpha$ -D-glucose units in which C1 of one glucose (I) is linked to C4 of another glucose unit (II).
- b) The free aldehyde group can be produced at C1 of second glucose in solution and it shows reducing properties so it is a reducing sugar.

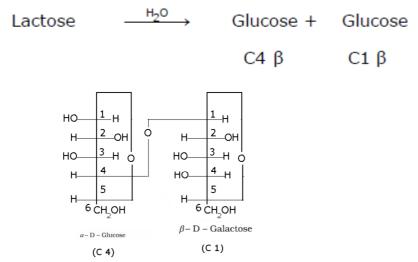


• Haworth projection of maltose:

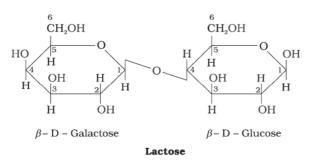


#### • Lactose (Milk sugar):

It is composed of  $\beta$ -D-galactose and  $\beta$ -D-glucose. The linkage is between C1 of galactose and C4 of glucose. Hence it is also a reducing sugar.



• Haworth projection of lactose:



## • Starch:

It is a polymer of  $\alpha$ -glucose and consists of two components — Amylose and Amylopectin.

#### • Amylose:

- a) It is a water soluble component
- b) It is a long unbranched chain polymer
- c) It contains 200 1000  $\alpha$  -D-(+)- glucose units held by  $\alpha$  glycosidic linkages involving C1 C4 glycosidic linkage
- d) It constitutes about 15-20% of starch

# • Amylopectin

- a) It is a water insoluble component
- b) It is branched chain polymer
- c) It forms chain by C1 C4 glycosidic linkage whereas branching occurs by C1 C6 glycosidic linkage
- d) It constitutes about 80-85% of starch

# • Cellulose:

- a) It occurs exclusively in plants.
- b) It is a straight chain polysaccharide composed only of  $\beta$ -D-glucose units which are joined by glycosidic linkage between C1 of one glucose unit and C4 of the next glucose unit.

# • Glycogen:

- a) The carbohydrates are stored in animal body as glycogen.
- b) It is also known as animal starch because its structure is similar to Amylopectin.
- c) It is present in liver, muscles and brain.
- d) When the body needs glucose, enzymes break the glycogen down to glucose.

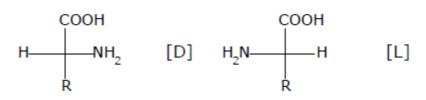
# • Amino acids:

Amino acids contain amino (-NH<sub>2</sub>) and carboxyl (-COOH) functional groups.

$$R - CH - COOH$$

Where R – Any side chain

Most naturally occurring amino acids have L - Config.



#### • Types of amino acids:

# a) Essential amino acids

The amino acids which cannot be synthesised in the body and must be obtained through diet, are known as essential amino acids. Examples: Valine, Leucine

#### b) Non-essential amino acids

The amino acids, which can be synthesised in the body, are known as non-essential amino acids. Examples: Glycine, Alanine

## • Zwitter ion form of amino acids:

- a) Amino acids behave like salts rather than simple amines or carboxylic acids. This behaviour is due to the presence of both acidic (carboxyl group) and basic (amino group) groups in the same molecule. In aqueous solution, the carboxyl group can lose a proton and amino group can accept a proton, giving rise to a dipolar ion known as zwitter ion. This is neutral but contains both positive and negative charges.
- b) In zwitter ionic form, amino acids show amphoteric behaviour as they react both with acids and bases.

$$R - CH - C - O - H \Leftrightarrow R - CH - C - O^{-1}$$

## • Isoelectronic point:

The pH at which the dipolar ion exists as neutral ion and does not migrate to either electrode cathode or anode is called isoelectronic point.

## • Proteins:

Proteins are the polymers of  $\alpha$  -amino acids and they are connected to each other by peptide bond or peptide linkage. A polypeptide with more than hundred amino acid residues, having molecular mass higher than 10,000u is called a protein.

• Peptide linkage:

Peptide linkage is an amide linkage formed by condensation reaction between –COOH group of one amino acid and –NH2 group of another amino acid.

$$H_2N - CH - COOH + H_2N - CH - COOH \rightarrow H_2N - CH - \begin{vmatrix} O \\ \parallel \\ R_1 \end{vmatrix} - \begin{vmatrix} O \\ \parallel \\ R_2 \end{vmatrix} - CH - COOH - \begin{vmatrix} O \\ \parallel \\ R_1 \end{vmatrix} - CH - COOH - \begin{vmatrix} O \\ \parallel \\ R_2 \end{vmatrix}$$

# • Primary structure of proteins:

The sequence of amino acids is said to be the primary structure of a protein.

- **Secondary structure of proteins:** It refers to the shape in which long polypeptide chain can exist. Two different types of structures:
  - $\alpha$  Helix:
    - a) It was given by Linus Pauling in 1951
    - b) It exists when R- group is large.
    - c) Right handed screw with the NH group of each amino acid residue H bonded to C
       = 0 of adjacent turn of the helix.
    - d) Also known as 3.613 helix since each turn of the helix hasapproximately 3.6 amino acids and a 13 membered ring is formed by H bonding.
    - e) C = O and N H group of the peptide bonds are trans to each other.
    - f) Ramchandran angles ( $\Phi$  and  $\Psi$ )  $\Phi$  angle which  $C_{\alpha}$  makes with N H and  $\Psi$  angle which  $C_{\alpha}$  makes with C = 0.

# $\beta$ – pleated sheet:

- a) It exists when R group is small.
- b) In this conformation, all peptide chains are stretched out to nearly maximum extension and then laid side by side which are held together by hydrogen bonds.

# • Tertiary structure of proteins:

It represents the overall folding of the polypeptide chain i.e., further folding of the  $2^\circ$  structure.

#### • Types of bonding which stabilize the 3° structure:

- a) Disulphide bridge (-S S-)
- b) H bonding (C = 0 ... H N)
- c) Salt bridge (COO- ... +NH<sub>3</sub>)
- d) Hydrophobic interactions
- e) van der Waals forces

## • Two shapes of proteins:

Fibrous proteins

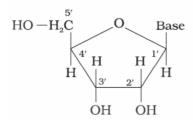
- a) When the polypeptide chains run parallel and are held together by hydrogen and disulphide bonds, then fibre– like structure is formed.
- b) These proteins are generally insoluble in water
- c) Examples: keratin (present in hair, wool, silk) and myosin (present in muscles), etc Globular proteins
- a) This structure results when the chains of polypeptides coil around to give a spherical shape.
- b) These are usually soluble in water.
- c) Examples: Insulin and albumins

#### • Quaternary structure of proteins:

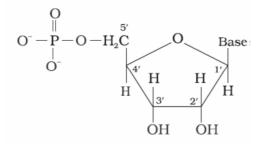
- a) Some of the proteins are composed of two or more polypeptide chains referred to as subunits.
- b) The spatial arrangement of these subunits with respect to each other is known as quaternary structure of proteins.

#### • Denaturation of proteins:

- a) The loss of biological activity of proteins when a protein in its native form, is subjected to physical change like change in temperature or chemical change like change in pH. This is called denaturation of protein.
- b) Example: coagulation of egg white on boiling, curdling of milk.
- Nucleoside:
  - a) Base + sugar



- Nucleotide:
  - a) Base + sugar + phosphate group



- Nucleic acids (or polynucletides):
  - a) Long chain polymers of nucleotides.
  - b) Nucleotides are joined by phosphodiester linkage between 5' and 3' C atoms of a pentose sugar.
- Two types of nucleic acids: DNA
  - a) It has a double stranded  $\alpha$  -helix structure in which two strands are coiled spirally in opposite directions.
  - b) Sugar present is  $\beta$  –D–2-deoxyribose
  - c) Bases:
    - i) Purine bases: Adenine (A) and Guanine (G)
    - ii) Pyrimidine bases: Thymine (T) and cytosine (C)
  - d) It occurs mainly in the nucleus of the cell.

e) It is responsible for transmission for heredity character.

## RNA

- a) It has a single stranded  $\alpha$  -helix structure.
- b) Sugar present is  $\beta$  –D–ribose
- c) Bases:
  - i) Purine bases: Adenine (A) and Guanine (G)
  - ii) Pyrimidine bases: Uracil (U) and cytosine (C)
- d) It occurs mainly in the cytoplasm of the cell.
- e) It helps in protein synthesis.

# • Double helix structure of DNA:

- a) It is composed of two right handed helical polynucleotide chains coiled spirally in opposite directions around the same central axis.
- b) Two strands are anti-parallel i.e., their phosphodiester linkage runs in opposite directions.
- c) Bases are stacked inside the helix in planes  $\perp$  to the helical axis.
- d) Two strands are held together by H bonds (A = T, G  $\equiv$  C).
- e) The two strands are complementary to each other because the hydrogen bonds are formed between specific pairs of bases.
- f) Adenine forms hydrogen bonds with thymine whereas cytosine forms hydrogen bonds with guanine.
- g) Diameter of double helix is 2 nm.
- h) Double helix repeats at intervals of 3.4 nm. (One complete turn)
- i) Total amount of purine (A + G) = Total amount of pyramidine (C + T)
- Vitamins:

Vitamins are organic compounds required in the diet in small amounts to perform specific biological functions for normal maintenance of optimum growth and health of the organism.

# • Classification of vitamins:

Vitamins are classified into two groups depending upon their solubility in water or fat.

- a) Water soluble vitamins
  - i) These vitamins are soluble in water.

ii) Water soluble vitamins must be supplied regularly in diet because they are readily excreted in urine and cannot be stored (except vitamin B12) in our body.

- iii) Example: Vitamin C, B group vitamins.
- b) Fat soluble vitamins
  - i) These vitamins are soluble in fat and oils but insoluble in water.
  - ii) They are stored in liver and adipose (fat storing) tissues.
  - iii) Example: Vitamin A, D, E and K

Name of vitamins	Sources	Deficiency diseases	
Vitamin A	Fish liver oil, carrots,   xe r o p h t h a l m i a		
	butter and milk	(hardening of cornea of	
		eye)	
		Night blindness	
Vitamin B1	Yeast, milk, green	Beri beri (loss of appetite,	
(Thiamine)	vegetables and cereals	retarded growth)	
Vitamin B2	Milk, egg white, liver,	Cheilosis (fissuring at	
(Riboflavin)	kidney	corners of mouth and	
		lips), digestive disorders	
		and burning sensation	
		of the skin.	
Vitamin B6	Yeast, milk, egg yolk,	Convulsions	
(Pyridoxine)	cereals and grams		
Vitamin B12	Meat, fish, egg and	Pernicious anaemia	
	curd	(RBC deficient in	
		haemoglobin)	
Vitamin C	Citrus fruits, amla and	Scurvy (bleeding gums)	
(Ascorbic acid)	green leafy vegetables		
Vitamin D	Exposure to sunlight,	Rickets (bone deformities	
	fish and egg yolk	in children) and	
		osteomalacia	
		(soft bones and	
		joint pain in adults)	
Vitamin E	Vegetable oils like wheat	Increased fragility of	
	germ oil, sunflower oil,	RBCs and muscular	
	etc.	weakness	
Vitamin K	Green leafy vegetables	Increased blood clotting	
		time	

• Important vitamins, their sources and their deficiency diseases: