CHEM 3811: Biochemistry – Proteins

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Text: Lehninger Principles of Biochemistry, 6th, 7th or 8th Edition, Nelson and Cox,

W.H. Freeman and Company

Week 1

- 1.1 Cellular foundations
- 1.2 Chemical foundations
- 1.3 Physical foundations
- 2.1 Weak interactions
- 2.2 Weak acids and Weak bases
- 2.4 Water
- 3.1 Amino acids
- 3.2 Peptides and Proteins
- 3.3 Working with proteins
- 3.4 Primary Structure
- 3.4 Sequence analysis

Week 2

- 4.1 Overview of protein structure
- 4.2 Secondary Structure
- 4.3 Tertiary Structure
- 4.3 Quaternary Structure
- 4.4 Protein Denaturation/Folding
- 5.1 Myoglobin/Hemoglobin
- 5.2 Immune System

Week 3

- 5.3 Actin, Myosin, and Molecular motors
- 6.1 Enzymes/Intro
- 6.2 How enzymes work
- 6.3 Enzyme Kinetics
- 6.4 Catalytic Strategies
- 6.5 Enzyme regulation

There will be 3 in-class assignments. The total value of these exercises is 120 points. Hour

Exams: Three hour exams, each worth 100 points

Exam I: Friday, October 8, 2021 Exam II: Friday, November 5, 2021 Exam III: Friday, November 23, 2021

Total Points = 420 points