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2018/2019 FIRST SEMESTER B.Sc. DEGREE EXAMINATIONS

BCH 307: ENZYMOLOGY

INSTRUCTIONS: ANSWER ANY TWO (2) QUESTIONS

TIME: 2 HOURS

1. a. An enzyme with a K_m of 1.2×10^{-2} M was assayed at the following substrate concentration (i) 2×10^{-4} M (ii) 5.6×10^{-3} M (iii) 1.1×10^{-2} M (iv) 2×10^{-3} M and (v) 0.05 M. The initial velocity observed at 5.6×10^{-3} M was 200 nmoles/L/min.
- Calculate the **initial velocities** at the other substrate concentrations (4 marks)
 - If the amount of protein is 14.6 ng and the subunit molecular weight is 22900 Daltons. Estimate the **time taken** for this enzyme to complete one catalytic cycle and the **catalytic efficiency**. (4 marks)
- b. Discuss enzyme classification and nomenclature (5 marks)
- c. Briefly explain apoenzyme, holoenzyme and coenzyme (2 marks)
- d. Briefly explain the significance of K_m , V_{max} , K_{cat} and K_{cat}/K_m (3 marks)
- e. Provide the diagnostic double reciprocal plots that distinguishes competitive, non-competitive and uncompetitive inhibition (2 marks)
2. a. Discuss the effect of temperature, pH and inhibitors on enzyme activity (3 marks)
- b. Discuss the catalytic mechanism of either chymotrypsin, lysozyme or ribonuclease (4 marks)
- c. Derive the Michealis-Menten equation using **EITHER** steady state **OR** equilibrium approach for a single substrate catalyzed reaction (3 marks)
- d. Using specific examples discuss the phenomenon termed suicide inhibition (3 marks)
- e. Starch is hydrolyzed by alpha amylase to maltose by *Bacillus subtilis*. The kinetic data obtained is shown in the table below

[Starch] M	Reaction Rate (moles/L/min)
0.1×10^{-3}	0.11×10^{-6}
0.3×10^{-3}	0.25×10^{-6}
0.5×10^{-3}	0.34×10^{-6}
1.0×10^{-3}	0.45×10^{-6}

3.0×10^{-3}	0.58×10^{-6}
5.0×10^{-3}	0.61×10^{-6}
6.0×10^{-3}	0.74×10^{-6}
8.0×10^{-3}	0.82×10^{-5}

- i. Does the enzyme obey Michealis-Menten equation (4 marks)
- ii. What is the value of K_m and V_{max} (3 marks)

3. From the table below

- a. What type of inhibition is exhibited (5 marks)
- b. Determine the K_i , K_m and V_{max} of an enzyme inhibited at 1 mM of the Inhibitor (3 marks)

[Substrate] Mm	Rate of Reaction (moles/L/min)	Rate of Reaction + 1 mM Inhibitor
0.15×10^{-4}	10.4×10^{-6}	4.1×10^{-6}
0.25×10^{-4}	14.5×10^{-6}	6.4×10^{-6}
0.5×10^{-4}	22.5×10^{-6}	11.3×10^{-6}
1.5×10^{-4}	33.8×10^{-6}	22.6×10^{-6}
4.5×10^{-4}	40.6×10^{-6}	33.8×10^{-6}
6.0×10^{-4}	47.5×10^{-6}	36.5×10^{-6}
9.0×10^{-4}	49.5×10^{-6}	40.5×10^{-6}

- c. Mention 5 industrial enzymes and their applications (2 marks)
- d. Explain the lock and key model for mechanism of enzyme action (2 marks)
- e. Explain the mechanisms that exists for enzymatic catalysis (8 marks)