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BCH 307: ENZYMOLOGY

INSTRUCTIONS: ANSWER ANY TWO QUESTIONS

TIME: 2 HOURS

1. a. The effect of an inhibitor, I, on the rate of a single-substrate catalyzed reaction was investigated and gave the following results as indicated in the table below
- Using appropriate transformation
 - Determine what type of inhibition is exhibited **(10 marks)**
 - Construct an enzyme substrate plot
 - Determine the K_i , K_m and V_{max} **(10 marks)**

[Substrate] (mmol/L)	Inhibitor concentration (mmol/L)		
	0	1.5	3.0
Rate of reaction v_o (moles/L/min)			
0.05	0.33	0.20	0.14
0.1	0.50	0.33	0.25
0.2	0.67	0.50	0.40
0.4	0.80	0.67	0.57
0.5	0.83	0.71	0.63

- Mention 5 industrial enzymes and their applications **(5 marks)**
 - Explain in details the mechanisms that exists for enzymatic catalysis **(5 marks)**
2. a. Discuss in detail the principles of enzyme classification and nomenclature **(5 marks)**
- Briefly explain why enzymes differ from ordinary chemical catalysts **(5 marks)**
 - Using the diagnostic double reciprocal plots, differentiate the different types of enzyme inhibition **(5 marks)**

- d. Discuss briefly the effect of temperature, pH and inhibitors on enzyme activity (5 marks)
- e. Discuss the catalytic mechanism of either carbonic anhydrase or ribonuclease (10 marks)
3. a. Using **BOTH** the steady state and equilibrium approach derive the Michealis-Menten equation (10 marks)
- b. The enzyme cellulase obtained from the giant African land snail with a K_m of 4.5 mmol/L was assayed at the following substrate concentration (i) 1.5 mmol/L(ii) 2.8 mmol/L (iii) 3.9 mmol/L (iv) 4.0 mmol/L and (v) 5.1 mmol/L. If the initial velocity observed at 5.1 mmol/L was 2.1mmol/L/min.
- i. Calculate the **initial velocities** at the other substrate concentrations (12 marks)
- ii. What major assumption did you make before arriving at your answers (3 marks)
- c. Using appropriate illustration discuss the theories of “lock and key” and “induced fit” for enzyme catalysis (5 marks)