Subject:	Medical Biochemistry 1	Code: ULCHBKB/MBCH-GM1/20		
<b>Study Programme:</b>	General Medicine	<b>Study Period:</b> 3. sen		3. semester
<b>Evaluation:</b>	exam	Subject Type: comp		compulsory
Content:	2 h lectures and 3 h practical exercises / week			Total 70 hours

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Week	Lectures http://portal.lf.upjs.sk	Practical Lessons http://portal.lf.upjs.sk Seminars from Medical Biochemistry
1.	CELL BIOCHEMISTRY  - General features of cell metabolism  - The cell and subcellular localization of biochemical processes  - Redox processes and their energetics  - Biological membranes, transport in cells	Principles of biochemical laboratory techniques  1. Safety in biochemical laboratory  2. Isolation of erythrocytary membranes and detection of lipoid phosphate  Seminar:  1. Cellular membranes (p. 31)  2. Membrane transport (p. 33)
2.	ENZYMES AND THEIR ROLE IN METABOLISM  - The role of enzymes in metabolism  - Enzymes — structure, specificity, activity, units, mechanism of action  - Kinetics of enzymatic reactions — Michaelis-Menten equation, inhibitors  - Factors affecting the rate of enzymatic reactions	<ul> <li>Enzymes I</li> <li>1. Determination of α-amylase activity in blood serum</li> <li>2. Detection of catalase activity</li> <li>Seminar:</li> <li>1. Classification of enzymes (p. 15)</li> <li>2. Principle of enzymatic catalysis (p. 16)</li> </ul>
3.	CLASSIFICATION AND COFACTORS OF ENZYMES  - Classification and nomenclature of enzymes  - Cofactors – classification, mechanism of action  - Metal ions as cofactors  - Regulation of enzymatic activity  - Allosteric enzymes  - Diagnostically important enzymes	<ul> <li>Enzymes II</li> <li>1. Calculation of the V<sub>max</sub> and K<sub>m</sub> of enzyme-catalyzed reactions</li> <li>2. Activation and inhibition of α-amylase by inorganic ions</li> <li>Seminar:</li> <li>1. Kinetics of enzymatic reactions (p. 17)</li> <li>2. Inhibition of enzyme activity (p. 19)</li> </ul>
4.	METABOLISM OF MONOSACCHARIDES I  - Digestion, absorption and transport of saccharides  - Glycolysis – reactions, enzymes, regulation, energetic balance, and importance  - Formation and transport of reduced coenzymes  - Gluconeogenesis – reactions, enzymes, regulation, energetic balance, and importance	<ol> <li>Enzymes III</li> <li>Effect of pH on the activity of α-amylase</li> <li>Effect of temperature on the activity of α-amylase</li> <li>Seminar:</li> <li>Factors affecting the velocity of enzymatic reaction (p. 21)</li> <li>Cofactors (p. 8)</li> <li>Enzymes in medicine (p. 23)</li> </ol>
5.	METABOLISM OF MONOSACCHARIDES II  - The pentose-phosphate pathway (PPP) – reactions, enzymes, importance  - Metabolism of other monosaccharides (e.g. galactose, mannose, fructose)  - Metabolism of monosaccharide derivatives (e.g. amino saccharides, glucuronic acid)  - Regulation of saccharide metabolism – glycemia	Metabolism of saccharides I  1. Detection of glycolysis intermediates 2. Detection of lactic acid  Seminar: 1. Metabolism of saccharides (p. 58) 2. Glycolysis (p. 63) and gluconeogenesis (p. 66)
6.	METABOLISM OF POLYSACCHARIDES  - Metabolism of glycogen – reactions, enzymes, regulation  - Metabolism of glycosaminoglycans (GAGs) – reactions, enzymes, biomedical importance  - Metabolism of glycoproteins– reactions, enzymes, biomedical importance	Metabolism of saccharides II  1. Substrate specificity of glycosidases  Seminar:  1. Glucose transport into the cell (p. 61)  2. Pentose-phosphate pathway (p. 67)  3. Glucose in blood (p. 68)

7.	1st Revision test*  METABOLISM OF SACCHARIDES – OVERVIEW  - Glucose-6-phosphate – importance in the metabolism of saccharides  - Disorders in metabolism of saccharides	Metabolism of polysaccharides 1. Isolation and detection of glycogen from liver  Seminar: 1. Glycogen (p. 70) 2. Importance derivatives of monosaccharides (p. 73)
8.	CITRIC ACID CYCLE AND RESPIRATORY CHAIN  - Oxidative decarboxylation of pyruvate, Acetyl-CoA  - The citric acid cycle – reactions, enzymes, regulations and energetic balance  - Anaplerotic reactions  - The respiratory chain – oxidative phosphorylation  - Inhibitors and uncouplers of respiratory chain	Metabolism of saccharides III  1. Enzymatic determination of glucose in blood  Seminar  1. Diagnostic tests for detection of saccharide metabolism disorders e.g. OGTT, glycosylated hemoglobin  2. Clinically significant carbohydrates (p. 77)
9.	<ul> <li>METABOLISM OF FATTY ACIDS</li> <li>Digestion and resorption of lipids</li> <li>Oxidation of fatty acids (FA) – saturated, unsaturated, with an odd number of carbon atoms</li> <li>Ketone bodies – metabolism, importance</li> <li>Biosynthesis of FA – reactions, enzymes, regulation</li> </ul>	Biological oxidations 1. Detection of dehydrogenases in animal tissue  Seminar: 1. Respiratory chain (p. 44) 2. Citric acid cycle (p. 52)
10.	METABOLISM OF LIPIDS  - Metabolism of triacylglycerols (TAG)  - Metabolism of phospholipids and sphingolipids  - Eicosanoids – classification, metabolism, biomedical importance  - Lipoproteins – composition, function, metabolism, biomedical importance	Metabolism of lipids I  1. Hydrolytic cleavage of lipids by lipase 2. Determination of lipase activity  Seminar: 1. Metabolism of lipids (p. 84)
11.	METABOLISM OF CHOLESTEROL  - Metabolism of cholesterol – transport, reactions, regulation, importance  - Bile acids – metabolism, function  - Synthesis and degradation of steroid hormones  - Disorders of lipid metabolism	Metabolism of lipids II  1. Determination of total lipids 2. Determination of TAG by calculation  Seminar:  1. Eicosanoids (p. 90)  2. Lipoproteins (p. 92)
12.	2 <sup>nd</sup> Revision test*  DNA REPLICATION, TRANSCRIPTION  - Organization of genetic material in DNA (genes)  - Replication and repair of DNA, inhibitors of DNA synthesis  - Transcription - biosynthesis of RNA, inhibitors  - Reverse transcription - e.g. HIV virus	Metabolism of lipids III  1. Determination of cholesterol  2. Calculation of HDL and LDL cholesterol  Seminar:  1. Metabolism of steroids (p. 100)  2. Significance of lipids in diagnostics (p. 104)
13.	PROTEOSYNTHESIS  - Translation of mRNA – regulation, inhibition  - Cotranslational modification of proteins  - Synthesis of secretory and membrane proteins  - Posttranslational modifications of proteins  - Distribution of the newly synthesized proteins	Biochemistry of nucleic acids 1. Virus detection (e.g. HIV, SARS-CovII)  3rd Revision test – practical exercises, seminars*  Seminar: 1. Replication (p. 142), transcription (p. 144), translation (p. 146)
14.	REGULATION OF GENE EXPRESSION  The principles of gene expression and regulation  Methods of studying nucleic acids (NA) – e.g. sequencing, amplification (PCR)  Use of NA analysis techniques in diagnostics	Credit week 1. Final evaluation of practical exercises 2. Credit donation  Seminar: 1. Methods used in analysis of nucleic acids (p. 150)

<sup>\*</sup> After writing the revision test, students can view the evaluation of their answers within one week