ENZYMOLOGY PART(1)



- Clinical enzymology: is the application of the science of enzymes in the diagnosis and treatment of disease.
- Catalysis: is defined as the process of acceleration of a chemical reaction by some changes.
- Enzymes: are proteinic compounds(usually globular), they are of high molecular weight (13000-500000) Dalton or more, made up principally of chains of amino acids(about 62) linked together by peptide bonds, they catalyze biochemical reactions.
- In enzymatic reactions, the molecules at the beginning of the process are called SUBSTRATES, and they are converted to different molecules called PRODUCTS.
- Enzymes are produced or synthesized by cell to do function either in or out that cell.
- Plasma or serum enzyme levels are often useful in the diagnosis of particular diseases or physiological abnormalities.



<u>Cofactors and coenzymes:</u>

 Many enzymes require the presence of other compounds(non proteinic) known as cofactors before their catalytic activity can be exerted.

| Inorganic like metal ions | Organic : there are two classes |
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| | A- tightly bound to the enzyme which is called prosthetic group |
| | B-or released from the enzyme ,this is called Coenzyme(such as NADH) which is small organic molecule can transport chemical groups from one enzyme to another, coenzyme considered as second substrate. |

types of cofactors :



Apoenzyme: is the enzyme without cofactor, this is the inactive form of enzyme. Holoenzyme: is the enzyme with cofactor, this is the active form of enzyme.

General principles of enzymes nomenclature:

- 1-enzyme names derived from substrate name + ase(like urease)
- 2-enzyme named according to the reaction it catalyzed (like lactic dehydrogenase)
- 3-enzymes named according to their function(like amino transferase)
- Note: there is a nother systeme of nomenclature in this system each enzyme has a code number such as (1.1.1.1)this number called IUBMB number ,
- I=International
- U=Union
- **B=Biochemistry**
- M=Molecular
- B=Biology



Major six classes of enzymes:

- 1-oxidoreductases
- 2-transferases
- 3-hydrolases
- 4-lyases
- 5-isomerases
- 6-ligases

