

Due to the COVID-19 crisis, the information below is subject to change, in particular that concerning the teaching mode (presential, distance or in a comodal or hybrid format).

2 credits	20.0 h	Q1
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Teacher(s)	Morsomme Pierre ;Soumilion Patrice ;
Language :	English
Place of the course	Louvain-la-Neuve
Main themes	The course will be divided into two parts:1. Structural biochemistry:- patterns and forms in protein structures (observation, manipulation, description, classification)- principles of protein folding - domains and assemblies (modular nature of proteins, multi-protein complexes)- bioinformatics in structural biology- interactions between biomolecules (methods and characterization)2. Enzymology- principles of enzyme catalysis (Michaelis Menten, steady state kinetics, reaction schemes)- the basics of chemical catalysis by proteins (catalysis by amino acids lateral chains, active site complementarity, entropic catalysis, transition state stabilisation)- control of enzyme activity (inhibition, activation, cooperativity, allosterism, environmental effects)
Aims	<i>The contribution of this Teaching Unit to the development and command of the skills and learning outcomes of the programme(s) can be accessed at the end of this sheet, in the section entitled "Programmes/courses offering this Teaching Unit".</i>
Evaluation methods	Due to the COVID-19 crisis, the information in this section is particularly likely to change. The course is divided into three modules. Each module will be evaluated during the course of the quadrimester in the form of a dispensatory test. A written exam will be organized in session for students who have not passed the tests during the quadrimester.
Teaching methods	Due to the COVID-19 crisis, the information in this section is particularly likely to change. Ex cathedra lectures
Content	About 36 hours will be dedicated to lectures with the help of PowerPoint slides. 6 hours will be organized in computer room for exercises or guided tours of various websites. The course is composed of three main chapters: Chapter 1. Amino acids side chains: - hydrophobicity/hydrophilicity - electrostatic and acido-basic properties - nucleophilicity - redox properties. Structural biochemistry: - biomolecule structures and interactions: non covalent driving forces and quantitative aspects - thermodynamical and chemical stability of proteins - protein folding : from molecular mechanisms to conformational diseases - observation, manipulation, visualisation, description and classification of three-dimensional structures (in computer room) Chapter 2: structural biology of membrane proteins Chapter 3. Enzymology - principles of enzyme catalysis (Michaelis Menten, steady state kinetics, reaction schemes) - the basics of chemical catalysis by proteins (catalysis by amino acids lateral chains, active site complementarity, entropic catalysis, transition state stabilisation) - cofactors and coenzymes chemistries - control of enzyme activity (inhibition, activation, cooperativity, allosterism, environmental effects) - numerical simulation of enzymatic catalysis (in computer room)
Inline resources	All documents are available via Moodle
Other infos	Precursory courses: Basics in biochemistry (e.g. Elements of biochemistry CHM1271)
Faculty or entity in charge	BIOL

Programmes containing this learning unit (UE)				
Program title	Acronym	Credits	Prerequisite	Aims
Master [120] in Chemistry and Bioindustries	BIRC2M	2		