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**BIMBT 11M**

### SBH 2201: PROTEIN AND ENZYMES I

SPECIAL/SUPPLEMENTARY EXAMINATION

FEBRUARY 2013 SERIES

2 HOURS

Instructions to candidates:

This paper consist of **FIVE** questions

Answer question **ONE** (compulsory) and any other **TWO** questions

#### Question ONE

- a) Differentiate between:
- (i) Protein conformation and protein configuration **(4marks)**
  - (ii)  $\alpha$ - helix and  $\beta$ -pleated sheets **(4marks)**
- b) Outline changes that take place during protein denaturation **(4marks)**
- c) Describe forces involved in maintaining tertiary protein structure. **(6marks)**
- d) Outline features of a polypeptide chain **(4marks)**
- e) Explain the effect of the following on enzyme catalysed reactions
- (i) Temperature **(2marks)**
  - (ii) Ailosteric effector **(2marks)**
  - (iii) pH **(2marks)**

(iv) Substrate concentration (2marks)

**Question TWO**

- a) Outline features of enzyme active site (8marks)
- b) Describe architectural levels of protein conformation (12marks)

**Question THREE**

Describe models that account for enzyme specificity (20marks)

**Question FOUR**

- a) Giving specific examples, describe enzyme classifications (14marks)
- b) Explain disadvantages of Michaelis-menten equation. (6marks)

**Question FIVE**

Discuss non-competative enzyme inhibition. (20marks)