## **Biochemistry II - Seminars**

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#### Literature

- Printed handouts with questions will be given before seminar
- Seminar ppt files with answers uploaded into IS after seminar

Spring 2008  $\rightarrow$  VSBC041s Biochemistry II-s  $\rightarrow$  Study materials  $\rightarrow$  Work with study materials

- Laboratory manual: Biochemistry II Practicals 2008
- Lectures ppt files available at is.muni.cz (VSBC04p)
- Textbooks: R. K. Murray et al.: Harper's Illustrated Biochemistry.

P. C. Champe, R. A. Harvey: Biochemistry.

## Conditions for the credit: see the back side of the syllabus !!

- 100% attendance
- If you are absent written elaboration of the chapter must be given to teacher ASAP
- at least 70 % from three revision tests

# **Optical and electrophoretic methods**

## in clinical chemistry

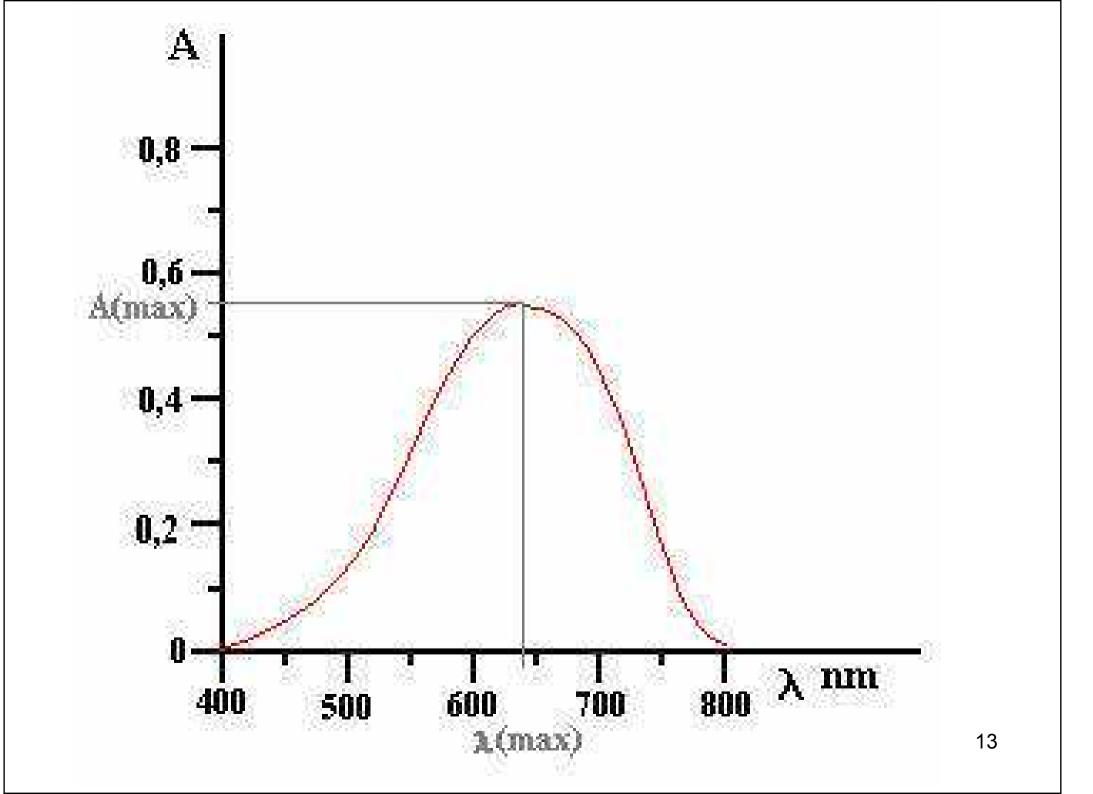
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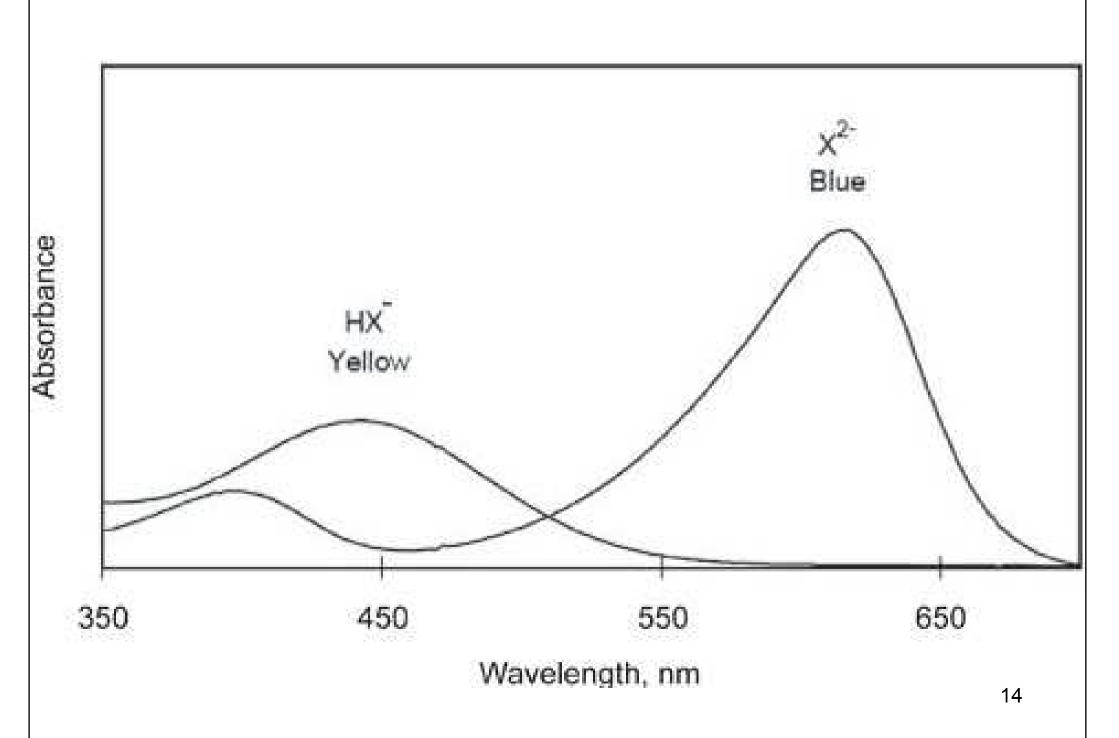
# **Spectrophotometry**

- 180 400 nm UV
- 400 800 nm VIS

- $A = \varepsilon c l$
- Conditions:
- Monochromatic light
- Diluted solution (< 0.01 mol/l)
- Homogeneous solution
- Monomeric substances which do not exhibit fluorescence

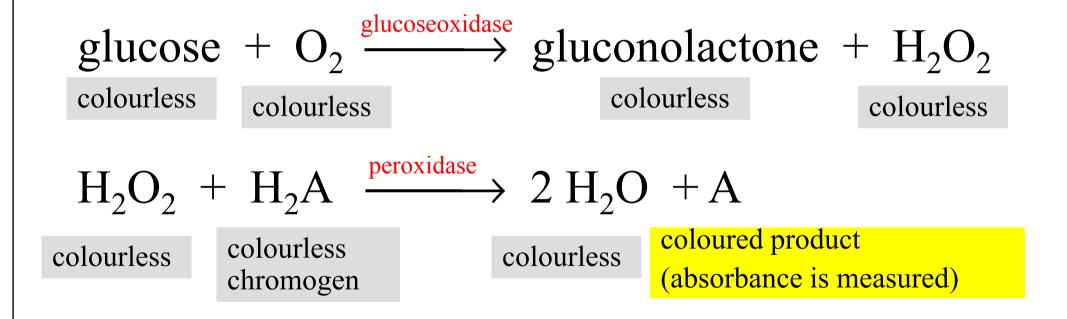
- Molar absorption coefficient
- 1/mol. cm





• Only coloured compounds

• Colourless compounds (e.g. glucose, cholesterol) have to be converted to coloured derivative by chemical reaction



- Solution which contains everything except the compound to be analyzed
- Solvent (water) + reagent + (buffer) .....

a) 
$$c = A / \varepsilon l$$

b) 
$$c = A \times calibration factor$$

#### obtaned as the slope of calibration curve

c) 
$$c = A c_{ST} / A_{ST}$$

$$\mathbf{A} = \log 1/\mathbf{T} = -\log \mathbf{T}$$

 $T = 10 \% = 10 \times 1/100 = 0.1 \implies A = -log 0.1 = 1$ 

 $T = 50 \% = 0.5 \implies A = 0.3$ 

 $T = 100 \% = 1 \implies A = 0$ 

#### $c = A / \epsilon = 0.54 / 13900 = 0.0000388 \text{ mol/l}$

= 0.039 mmol/l

#### = 39 $\mu$ mol/l

#### $\epsilon = A / c = 0.805 / 0.0005 = 1610 l/mol.cm$

Absorbance is additive quantity

Absorbances of sample and standard have to be corrected by the absorbance of reagent

$$A_{STD} = 0.39 - 0.1 = 0.29 \dots 5 \text{ mmol/l}$$
  
 $A_{sample} = 0.54 - 0.1 = 0.44 \dots x \text{ mmol/l}$ 

 $x = (0.44 \times 5) / 0.29 = 7.58 \text{ mmol/l}$ 

0,50 ...... 5 mmol/1 0,75 ..... x

 $X = (0,75 \times 5) / 0,50 = 7.5 \text{ mmol/l}$ 

#### **Common feature:**

Light interacts with a colloidal solution of proteins Light is scattered on particles, absorption is minimal Intensity of scattered ligth (*I*) is measured

#### **Difference:**

Turbidimetry – I measured in the same direction Nephelometry – I measured in perpendicular direction (90°)

- The best scatter of light is when the wavelength is close to the size of dispersed particles
- Consider red ligth (500 nm) in fog

# Electrophoresis

- The pH of solution (buffer)
- The nature of protein the ratio of acidic an basic AA

Factor / its change	Mobility change
Potential ↑	
Molecular size ↑	
Charge ↑	
pН	
Medium	
Temperature ↑	

Factor / its change	Mobility change
Potential ↑	1
Molecular size ↑	$\downarrow$
Charge ↑	1
pН	different
medium	different
Temperature ↑	1

- Elevated alfa-2 and beta globulins
- Contain proteins of acute phase indicators of acute inflammation

Protein	Function / Feature
Transthyretin	Transport of T4
Albumin	Transport, buffer, oncotic pressure
Alfa1-glycoprot.	Acute phase protein
Alfa1-antitrypsin	Anti-protease
HDL	Transport of cholesterol to liver
Cerulolasmin	Transport of copper
Haptoglobin	Transport of free hemoglobin
Ferritin	Liver prot., in plasma acute phase protein
Alfa2-macroglob.	Acute phase protein
Hemopexin	Transport of free heme
Transferrin	Transport of Fe <sup>3+</sup> , acute phase protein
CRP	Acute phase protein
Fibrinogen	Blood clotting, acute phase protein
LDL	Transport of cholestrol to tissues
Ig	antibodies

- Casein is the main milk protein
- Phosphoprotein rather acidic pI = 4.5
- At pH 8.6 it becomes polyanion, goes to + electrode

#### pH = 9.7, when pH = $pK_A \Rightarrow 50$ % dissociation !!!

AA	α-СООН	Charges of α-NH <sub>3</sub> <sup>+</sup>	side chain	Total charge
Glutamate				
Isoleucine				
Lysine				

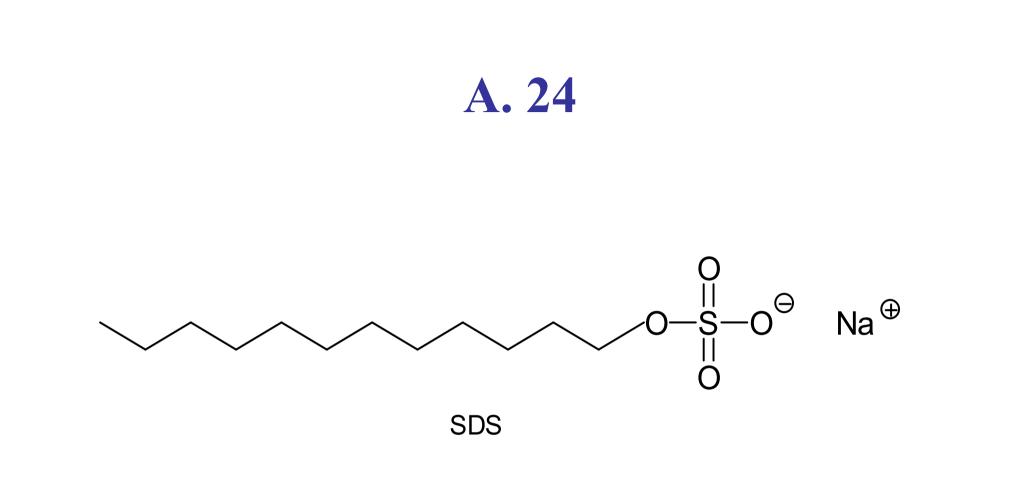
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Glu	1 -	0.5 +	1 -	1.5 -
Ile	1 -	0.5 +	none	0.5 -
Lys	1 -	0	1+	0



a thiol is a reducing agent

reduces disulfide bonds to separate polypetide chains





#### sodium dodecyl sulfate (SDS) is an anionic surfactant

Two separations are performed in two dimensions

The second separation is carried out at 90° to the direction of the first run