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PREFACE

This is the 2nd Edition of Biochemistry Revision: Questions and Answers Approach. This 2nd Edition has been updated with the addition of four new chapters, including the chapter on Molecular Biology. The main objective of this book is to provide a simple comprehensive revision of major biochemical concepts that enable students to appreciate the relevance of biochemistry to medicine as well as to everyday life. The book is based primarily on the Biochemistry courses taught to undergraduate (medical, dentistry and health sciences) students in the School of Medicine and Health Sciences (SMHS), University of Papua New Guinea (UPNG). The MBBS program uses the problem-based integrated curriculum in which Biochemistry is taught throughout the duration of the program. The Health Sciences and Dentistry programs use the didactic curriculum in which Biochemistry is taught in the first and second years of each program.

The questions and answers approach adopted in this book should enable students discern core information from that which is peripheral. The book is designed to give students rapid, easy access to the core factual material in a format which facilitates learning and rapid revision. It is hoped that this book will serve as the final preparatory step for the examination in biochemistry. This book should not be used as a replacement for standard biochemistry text book, nor should it prevent the student from attending routine lectures (seminars) or thoroughly revising the various biochemistry topics completed during the semester or trimester. The best way to use this book is for the student to first answer each question before proceeding to the answer section to read the prepared answer.

This book contains special topics in biochemistry (Clinical Biochemistry) with questions and answers that are more relevant to the MBBS problem-based integrated curriculum. Candidates doing the Master of Medicine (M. Med) Part-1 Common Core program in the SMHS UPNG should find this book useful.

The answers provided in this book were obtained from very reliable sources; they were checked and found to be correct and acceptable at the time of publication. However, the possibility of inadvertent errors cannot be totally ruled out; therefore, students are requested to double check the facts presented with other standard texts in biochemistry. A list of references and materials for further reading has been included in the reference section of this book. Constructive comments and recommendations for improvement in the next edition of this book are most welcome by the author.

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ABBREVIATIONS

ACAT: Acyl-CoA Cholesterol Acyl-Transferase

ACE: Angiotensin Converting Enzyme AEE: Activity-related Energy Expenditure

Ach: Acetylcholine

ACP: Acyl Carrier Protein

ACTH: Adrenocorticotropic Hormone

ADP: Adenosine Diphosphate

AIDS: Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome

ALA: Amino-Laevulinic Acid ALP: Alkaline Phosphatase ALT: Alanine Transaminase AMP: Adenosine Monophosphate

APR: Acute Phase Reactants Aspartate Transaminase

ATP: Adenosine Triphosphate

ATPase: Adenosine Triphosphatase

AVP: Arginine Vasopressin BBB: Blood Brain Barrier

BCB: Blood-Cerebrospinal fluid Barrier

BMI: Body Mass Index

2,3-BPG: 2,3-Bis-Phosphoglycerate

BUN: Blood Urea Nitrogen

CAH: Congenital Adrenal Hyperplasia

CoA: Coenzyme A c-AMP: 3´,5´cyclic AMP CC: Creatinine Clearance CDP: Cytidine Diphosphate

c-GMP: cyclic-GMP CK: Creatine Kinase

COMT: Catechol-O-Methyl-Transferase CoQ: Cytochrome Q (Ubiquinone)

CRH: Corticotropin Releasing Hormone

COX: Cyclooxygenase

DEE: Daily Energy Expenditure DKA: Diabetic Ketoacidosis DNA: Deoxyribonucleic Acid ECF: Extracellular Fluid

EPI: Extrinsic Pathway Inhibitor

EPO: Erythropoietin

ER: Endoplasmic Reticulum ETC: Electron Transport Chain

FAD: Flavin Adenine Dinucleotide (oxidized) FADH₂: Flavin Adenine Dinucleotide (reduced)

FBG: Fasting Blood Glucose

FMN: Flavin Mononucleotide (oxidized) FSH: Follicle Stimulating Hormone

GAG: Glycosaminoglycans

GABA: Gamma Amino Butyric Acid GDM: Gestational Diabetes Mellitus GFR: Glomerular Filtration Rate

GGTP: Gamma Glutamyl Transpeptidase

GMP: Guanosine Monophosphate

G-6-PD: Glucose-6-Phosphate Dehydrogenase

GSH: Glutathione (Reduced) GSSG: Glutathione (Oxidized) GTP: Guanosine Triphosphate

Hb: Hemoglobin

HbO₂: Oxy-haemoglobin HDL: High Density Lipoprotein

HGPRT: Hypoxanthine-Guanine Phospho-Ribosyl-Transferase

HHb: Reduced Hemoglobin (Deoxy-Hemoglobin)

HIV: Human Immunodeficiency Virus

HMG-CoA: 3-Hydroxy-3-Methyl-Glutaryl-CoA

HMM: Heavy Meromyosin

HMP-shunt: Hexose Monophosphate Shunt (pathway)

HVA: Homovanillic Acid ICF: Intracellular Fluid ID: Iodine Deficiency

IDD: Iodine Deficiency Disorders
IDL: Intermediate Density Lipoprotein

lg: Immunoglobulin

IP₃: Inositol 1,4,5-triphosphate

LACI: Lipoprotein-Associated Coagulation Inhibitor

LCAT: Lecithin-Cholesterol Acyl-Transferase

LDH: Lactate Dehydrogenase LFT: Liver Function Tests LH: Luteinizing Hormone LMM: Light Meromyosin MAU: Microalbuminuria MNP: Micronutrient Powder

MSH: Melanocyte Stimulating Hormone

MAO: Monoamine Oxidase

NAD: Nicotinamide Adenine Dinucleotide (oxidized)
NADH: Nicotinamide Adenine Dinucleotide (reduced)

NADP: Nicotinamide Adenine Dinucleotide Phosphate (oxidized) NADPH: Nicotinamide Adenine Dinucleotide Phosphate (reduced)

NMDA: N-Methyl-D-Aspartate

OG: Osmolal Gap

OGTT: Oral Glucose Tolerance Test PCOS: Polycystic Ovarian Syndrome

PLA₂: Phospho-Lipase A₂

PLWHA: People Living with HIV/AIDS

POMC: Proopiomelanocortin
PPi: Inorganic Pyrophosphate
PTH: Parathyroid Hormone
RBG: Random Blood Glucose
REE: Resting Energy Expenditure

RER: Rough Endoplasmic Reticulum

RFLP: Restriction Fragment Length Polymorphism

RNA: Ribonucleic Acid RPF: Renal Plasma Flow RTA: Renal Tubular Acidosis RUF: Ready-to-Use Foods

RUTF: Ready-to-Use Therapeutic Foods

SAC: Surface Active Compounds
SER: Smooth Endoplasmic Reticulum
SHBG: Sex Hormone Binding Globulin

STKM: Sucrose, Tris-buffer, K (potassium), Magnesium

STR: Short Tandem Repeat

TAFI: Thrombin-Activatable Fibrinolytic Inhibitor

TBG: Thyroid Binding Globulin TEE: Total Energy Expenditure

TFPI: Tissue Factor Pathway Inhibitor

TPP: Thiamine Pyrophosphate TSH: Thyroid Stimulating Hormone

UDP: Uridine Diphosphate

UDP-GT: UDP-Glucuronyl Transferase

USI: Universal Salt Iodization UTP: Uridine Triphosphate

VLDL: Very Low Density Lipoprotein

VMA: Vanillylmandelic Acid

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