

BSHND 112: MACRONUTRIENTS IN HUMAN NUTRITION

Course Learning Outcomes:

- To abreast knowledge about the normal nutrient metabolism in healthy human
- To understand interactions between the intake, absorption, transport, processing, storage, catabolism and excretion of nutrients and the regulation of metabolic homeostasis in the intact organism

Content Theory:

1. Carbohydrates:

- Nature,
- Structures

2. Classification and functions of carbohydrates:

- Monosaccharaides,
- Disaccharides,
- Oligosaccharides,
- Polysaccharaides

3. Digestion and absorption of carbohydrates:

- Glycolitic pathway,
- Glycolysis,
- Glycogenesis,
- Glycogen catabolism,
- Tricarboxylic acid cycle and pentose phosphate pathway

4. Biosynthesis of carbohydrates:

- Gluconeogenesis;
- Regulation of carbohydrate metabolism pathways;
- Cho metabolism in diabetes;

5. Proteins:

- Structural features,
- Characteristics,
- Functions;

6. Amino acids:

- Biosynthesis and degradation,
- Food sources (on the basis of their functions in human body);
- Digestion and absorption;

7. Metabolic fates of amino acids:

- Deamination,

- Transamination,
- Urea cycle,
- Ketogenic amino acids,
- Glucogenic amino acids,
- Protein metabolism in liver and kidney diseases,
- Protein energy malnutrition;
- Lipids – nature, classification.

8. Fatty acids:

- Saturated,
- Unsaturated,
- Polysaturated,
- Glycerol,
- Cholesterol,
- Sterol;
- Lipoprotein systems (blood lipids);

9. Fats biosynthesis:

- Lipids,
- Phospholipids and sphingolipids;

10. Lipid biosynthesis:

- Cholesterol,
- Sterol;
- Lipid oxidation;

11. Essential fatty acids:

- Sources,
- Health benefits;
- Adipose tissues;
- Digestion,
- Absorption,
- Metabolism and transportation of lipids;
- Oxidation of fatty acids (beta oxidation);
- Ketone bodies.

Teaching-Learning Strategies:

Teaching will be a combination of class lectures, class discussions, and group work. Short videos/films will be shown on occasion.

Assignments:

The sessional work will be a combination of written assignments, class quizzes, presentation, and class participation/attendance.

Assessments and Examination:

Sessional Work: 25 marks

Midterm Exam: 35 marks

Final Exam: 40 marks

Recommended Readings:

1. Berdanier, C.D. & Zemleni, J. (2009). *Advances Nutrition: Macronutrients, micronutrients and Metabolism*. CRC Press, Taylor & Francis Group, Boca Raton, FL, USA.
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3. David, L.N., Lehninger, A.L. & Cox, M.M. (2013). *Lehninger Principles of Biochemistry*. (6th ed.). W.H. Freeman and Company, New York.
4. Gropper, S.S. & Smith J.L. (2013). *Advanced Nutrition and Human Metabolism*. (6th ed.). Cengage Learning, Belmont, CA, USA.

