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## **Abstract**

Aspirin is an important for reduce the risk of heart attack and stroke. Human serum albumin is the major soluble protein constituent of the circulatory system and has many physiological functions including transport of a variety of compounds. In this work, interaction between Aspirin with human serum albumin was investigated by using fluorescence spectroscopy and UV absorption spectrum. From spectral analysis, Aspirin showed a strong ability to quench the intrinsic fluorescence of human serum albumin through a static quenching procedure. The binding constant (k) is estimated as  $k=2.02 \times 10^4 \text{ M}^{-1}$  for HSA-Aspirin. In addition The Stern-Volmer constant is calculated at room temperature for Aspirin. FT-IR spectroscopy was used to determine the protein secondary structure. The observed spectral changes indicates an increase of intensity for HSA-Aspirin interaction.. This variation of intensity is related indirectly to the formation of H-bonding in the complex molecules.

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## List of Symbols

symbol	Description
$N$	Degree of freedom
$R$	the different part of 20 amino acids
$c$	speed of light
$\nu$	Frequency
$\lambda$	Wavelength
$E$	Energy
$h$	Planck's constant
$E_{total}$	total energy
$E_{ele}$	energy of the molecule's electrons
$E_{vib}$	vibrational energy
$E_{rot}$	rotational energy
$I$	the intensity of light transmitted
$I_0$	the intensity of light incident
$\epsilon$	the molar absorption coefficient
$C$	concentration of absorbing molecule in the sample
$l$	length of the light path
$A$	Absorbance
$F_x$	restoring force
$f$	the spring or force constant
$\Delta x$	isplacement of the spheres along the x-axis from equilibrium position
$m_A$	Mass of atom A
$m_B$	Mass of atom B
$V$	potential energy
$T$	kinetic energy
$\mu$	reduced mass
$\omega$	circular frequency
$E_v$	The potential energy for diatomic molecule for harmonic oscillator

$D_{eq}$	dissociation energy
$r_{eq}$	Equilibrium position
$r$	Position
$\delta$	constant for a particular molecule
$E_n$	allowed vibration energy levels
$n$	Interger
$W_e$	oscillating frequency
$\tilde{W}_e$	oscillation frequency in wave number
$X_e$	an-harmonicity constant
$a$	absorptivity of the molecule
$b$	distance that the light travels through the sample
$T$	Transmittance
$mM$	Mile molar
$n$	nonbonding occupied molecular orbital
$\pi$	Pi bonding occupied molecular orbital
$\sigma$	Sigma bonding occupied molecular orbital
$\pi^*$	Pi anti-bonding unoccupied molecular orbital
$\sigma^*$	Sigma anti-bonding unoccupied molecular orbital
$A$	recorded absorption at different concentrations
$A_\infty$	the final absorption of the ligated protein
$A_0$	the initial absorption of protein at 280 nm in the absence of ligand
$L$	Concentration of ligand
$k_q$	biomolecular quenching constant
$[L]$	the quencher concentration
$k_{sv}$	Stern-Volmer quenching constant
$\tau_0$	unquenched lifetime
$F_0$	the HSA fluorescence intensities in the absence of quencher
$F$	the HSA fluorescence intensities in the presence of quencher

## List of Abbreviations

abbreviation	Representation
G	Gram
IR	Infra-Red
VIS-UV	Visible Ultra Violet
ALB gene	Albumin gene
$\alpha$ -helix	alpha helix
$\beta$ -pleated sheet	Beta pleated sheets
N-terminus	Nitrogen terminus
C-terminus	Carbon terminus
DNA	Deoxyribonucleic acid
FTIR	Fourier Transform Infrared
HSA	Human Serum Albumin
pH	potential of hydrogen
GLO	gulonolactone oxidase

PA	pernicious anemia
BSA	bovine serum albumin
DPPH	$\alpha, \alpha$ -diphenyl- $\beta$ -picrylhydrazyl
ITC	isothermal titration calorimetry
EMW	Electromagnetic waves
Far-IR	Far Infra-Red
Mid-IR	Middle Infra-Red
EM	Electromagnetic
D <sub>2</sub> O	Deuterium oxide
H <sub>2</sub> O	Water
HOMO	Highest Occupied Molecular Orbital
LOMO	Lowest Unoccupied Molecular Orbital
LED	light emitting diodes
CCD	charge-coupled device
PC	personal computer
OPUS	Optical User Software
Eq	Equation

# **Chapter One**

## **Introduction**

## 1.1 Introduction

A technique used for the vibration of the atoms of a molecule is called Infrared (IR) spectroscopy. To obtain an infrared spectrum, determine what fraction of the incident radiation is absorbed at a particular energy when infrared radiation is passed through a sample. The appearance of any energy peak in an absorption spectrum corresponds to the frequency of a part of a sample molecule [Banwell, 1972].

Infrared Spectroscopy is an absorption method pertaining to wavelengths in the region of 1 to 100  $\mu\text{m}$ , extending the region of visible light to longer wavelengths and shorter frequencies (or energies). The IR light does not have sufficient energy to induce transitions of valence electrons, but can excite vibrational and rotational motions in molecules. Noted that the principle of IR spectroscopy are similar to ultra violet (VIS-UV) spectroscopy or other spectroscopic techniques except the differences in energy transfer from radiation to the molecules [Wilson et al., 1955].

The length of a bond will vary in length when atoms move relatively to each other causing the bonds to stretch, or bend when atoms move out of plane relatively to one another. Reported linear frequencies to have a resonance frequency of  $3N-5$  and non-linear molecules have a frequency of  $3N-6$ , where  $N$  is the degree of freedom, and some of these will interact with incident infrared radiation [Hollowood and Miramontos, 2011].

Serum albumin, also known as blood albumin, is a type of globular protein found in vertebrate's blood. The albumin gene (ALB gene) is used to encode Human serum albumin and is similar to other mammalian forms such as bovine serum. They are all chemically similar [Hawkins, 1982].

## 1.2 Proteins

Proteins are complex macromolecules. They are made up of successive amino acids, are covalently bonded together in a head-to-tail arrangement with substituted amide linkages called peptide bonds. The building blocks of proteins include 20 amino acids, which differ in the structure of their R-groups, and may be hydrophilic or hydrophobic, acidic, basic, or neutral. Proteins have the same basic structure, which is an amine group ( $\text{NH}_2$ ), central carbon atom (alpha-carbon) and a carboxyl group ( $\text{COOH}$ ), with the only difference on the side chain labeled R in the figure 1.1. [Rosenberg, 2005].

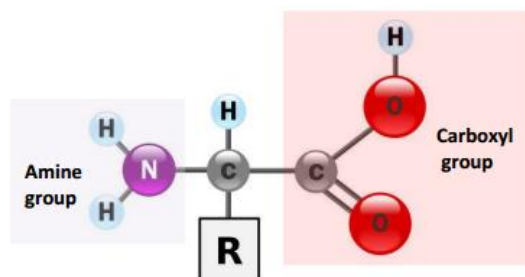


Figure 1.1: general structure of all amino acids [Nelson, 2005].

Proteins are known as polypeptides because each protein molecule is made up of a long chain of amino acids, and each molecule is attached to its neighboring molecule through a covalent peptide bond. A large number of different proteins are known, with each type of protein showing a unique sequence of amino acids (see figure 1.2). This is exactly the same from one molecule to the next, with each with its own particular amino acid sequence [Alberts et al., 2002].

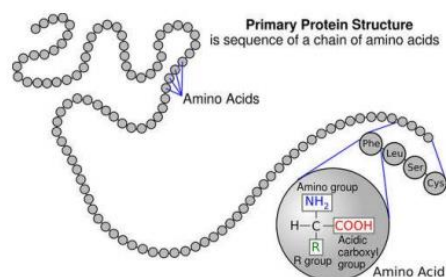


Figure 1.2: polypeptide (a chain made up of many linked amino acids).

## دراسة التفاعل بين الأسبرين مع مصل البيومين البشري باستخدام التقنيات المطيافية

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### ملخص:

الأسبرين مهم في تقليل خطر الضربة القلبية والسكتة الدماغية, البيومين المصل البشري هو البروتين الذائب الرئيسي وعنصر أساسي في الجهاز الدوراني وله الكثير من الوظائف الفسيولوجية تشمل نقل الكثير من المركبات الكيميائية. في هذا البحث تم دراسة التفاعل بين الأسبرين مع البيومين المصل البشري وذلك باستخدام تقنيات التحليل الطيفي الفلوري وايضا التحليل الطيفي لأشعة فوق البنفسجية، ومن خلال التحليل الطيفي أظهر الأسبرين قدرة عالية على اخماد الطيف الفلوري لالبيومين المصل البشري من خلال اجراء الاخماد الاستاتيكي. تم حساب ثابت الربط للأسبرين والبيومين المصل البشري حيث كان ( $2.02 \times 10^4 M^{-1}$ ). وقد تم حساب ثابت شتيرن فولمر عند درجة حرارة الغرفة للأسبرين، أما التحليل الطيفي باستخدام تقنية تحويل فورييه للأشعة تحت الحمراء فتم استعمالها في تحديد بنية البروتين الثانوية، و ملاحظة التغيرات في الطيف وأشارت لزيادة التفاعل بين الأسبرين والبيومين المصل البشري، وهذا الاختلاف في الشدة يتعلق بطريقة غيرمباشرة لتكون روابط هيدروجينية في الجزيء المعقد.