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Biochemistry: Protein Structure

## Titration Curve for Alanine



| AMINO ACID | pKa VALUE |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Carboxyl Group | Amino Group | Side Chain |
| Glycine | 2.4 | 9.8 |  |
| Alanine | 2.4 | 9.9 |  |
| Valine | 2.3 | 9.7 |  |
| Leucine | 2.3 | 9.7 |  |
| Isoleucine | 2.3 | 9.8 |  |
| Methionine | 2.1 | 9.3 |  |
| Proline | 2.0 | 10.6 |  |
| Phenylalanine | 2.2 | 9.3 |  |
| Tryptophan | 2.5 | 9.4 |  |
| Serine | 2.2 | 9.2 |  |
| Threonine | 2.1 | 9.1 |  |
| Cysteine | 1.9 | 10.7 | 8.4 |
| Tyrosine | 2.2 | 9.2 | 10.5 |
| Asparagine | 2.1 | 8.7 |  |
| Glutamine | 2.2 | 9.1 |  |
| Aspartic acid | 2.0 | 9.9 | 3.9 |
| Glutamic acid | 2.1 | 9.5 | 4.1 |
| Lysine | 2.2 | 9.1 | 10.5 |
| Arginine | 1.8 | 9.0 | 12.5 |
| Histidine | 1.8 | 9.3 | 6.0 |

## TABLE P. 2 Common Condensation Polymers

## Trade Name




FIGURE BIO. 8 Insulin is a relatively small protein that consists of wo chains held together by covalent
$\mathrm{S}-\mathrm{S}$ bonds between side chains of cysteine residues.

Emil Fischer
Nobel Prize 1902
Structure of sugars $\Rightarrow$ amino acids/protein synthesis




## combinations of phenylalanine and aspartic acid (Ph)

The Amino Acids and Their Airport Symbols

| Symbol | Amino Acid | Airport |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| GLY | Glycine | Mount Goldsworthy Airport Mount Goldsworthy, Australia |
| ALA | Alanine | Alma-Ata Airport Alma Ata, Kazakhstan |
| VAL | Valine | Valenca Airport <br> Valenca, Brazil |
| LEU | Leucine | Seo De Urgel Airport Seo De Urgel, Spain |
| ILE | Isoleucine | Killeen Muni Airport Killeen, Texas |
| PRO | Proline | Perry Muni Airport Perry, Iowa |
| MET | Methionine | Moreton Airport Moreton, Australia |
| PHE | Phenylalanine | Port Hedland Airport Port Hedland, Australia |
| TRP | Tryptophan | Tree Point Airport Tree Point, Alaska |


| SER | Serine | Freeman Muni Airport Seymour, Indiana |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| THR | Threonine | Mehrabad/Qualeh Morgeh Airport Teheran, Iran |
| TYR | Tyrosine | Tyler Pounds Field Tyler, Texas |
| CYS | Cysteine | Cheyenne Airport Cheyenne, Wyoming |
| ASN | Asparagine | Talladega Muni Airport Talladega, Alabama |
| GLN | Glutamine | Goulimime Airport Goulimime, Morocco |
| ASP | Aspartic Acid | Alice Springs Airport Alice Springs, Australia |
| GLU | Glutamic Acid | does not exist |
| LYS | Lysine | Satolas Airport Lyon, France |
| ARG | Arginine | Walnut Ridge Regional Airport Walnut Ridge, Arkansas |
| HIS | Histidine | Hayman Island Airport Hayman Island, Australia |

## data show that all six atoms lie in a plane





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## DNA alpha-helix


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## DNA beta-pleated sheet


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## protein exhibiting various secondary structures



## tertiary structure of proteins



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$\mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O}$


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