

A level Chemistry A

H432/02 Synthesis and analytical techniques

Question Set 15

- 1. The general formula of an α-amino acid is RCH(NH₂)COOH.
 - (a) The α -amino acid cysteine (R = CH₂SH) shows optical isomerism.

Draw 3-D diagrams to show the optical isomers of cysteine.

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(b) The α -amino acid lysine (R = (CH₂)₄NH₂) reacts with an excess of dilute hydrochloric acid to form a salt.

Draw the structure of the salt formed in this reaction.

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(c) α-Amino acids can react to form proteins.

A short section of a protein chain is shown below.

A student hydrolyses the protein with hot NaOH(aq).

Draw the structures of the organic products formed from this section of the protein.

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Total Marks for Question Set 15: 7



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