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Question number	Answer	Marks	Guidance
1 (a) (i)	CH ₃ H ₃ N - C - COO - H	1	
1 (a) (ii)	$\begin{array}{c} I \\ H \\ H_2 N - C - C \\ I \\ O \\ O$	1	The acid part reacts with the alcohol to form an ester.
	$H_2N - C - C O^-(Na^+)$	1	Allow COO but don't allow O- Na since this would look covalent.
	CH ₃ H ₃ C — N — C — COOH H H	1	Allow N protonated.
1 (b)	H ₃ N — (CH ₂) ₄ — C — COOH	1	There are 2 N atoms which can be protonated.
1 (c)	$\begin{array}{c ccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$	1	Accept displayed formula.
2	Structure 1 CH ₃ CH ₂ OH H ₂ N — C — C — N — C — COOH H	1	You cannot have a polypeptide since the question asked for a dipeptide.
3 (a)	\dot{H} \ddot{O} \dot{H} \dot{H} H $CO_2^ H_2N - C - COO^ CH(CH_3)_2$	1	
3 (b)	$\begin{array}{c ccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$	1	This must be a dipeptide and not a polymer.
3 (c)	hydrogen bonding	1	
4 (a)	molecules with same structural formula but with bonds arranged differently in space	2	Also accept 'atoms' arranged differently in space.



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4 (b)	plane polarised light rotated equally in opposite directions	2	
5	2-deoxyribose	1	
	Base A Top N–H forms hydrogen bonds to lone pair on O of guanine	1	If Base B stated, allow 1 mark only for response including hydrogen bonding Students could also answer this question using labels on
			the diagram
	The lone pair of electrons on N bonds to H–N of guanine	1	
	A lone pair of electrons on O bonds to lower H–N of guanine	1	Allow all 4 marks for a correct diagram showing the hydrogen bonding
	Allow either of the nitrogen atoms with a lone pair NOT involved in bonding to cytosine	1	
	Use in very small amounts / target the application to the tumour	1	