

**TOPICS FOR THE SPECIFIC KNOWLEDGE EXAM OF THE POSTGRADUATE PROGRAM IN  
PHARMACEUTICAL SCIENCES FOR NEW STUDENTS**

**Course: Master, Doctorate and Direct Doctorate**

**Concentration Area: Natural and Synthetic Products**

**Biochemistry:**

Structures and functions of biomolecules: proteins, carbohydrates, lipids, and nucleic acids

Techniques for macromolecule separation

Preparation of solutions and buffers

Analytical curves

**Pharmacology:**

Fundamentals of pharmacokinetics and pharmacodynamics

**Pharmacognosy:**

Major classes of natural products from plant origin (essential oils, flavonoids, steroids, alkaloids): extraction, characterization, and analysis

**General Chemistry and Analytical Chemistry:**

Acid-base equilibrium: physiological and analytical aspects

Chromatographic methods

Basic aspects of coordination compound chemistry

**Organic Chemistry:**

Organic functions

Stereochemistry of organic compounds

Stability and reactivity of reaction intermediates

Absorption spectroscopy in the ultraviolet/visible and infrared regions

**Pharmaceutical Chemistry:**

Structural factors influencing molecular drug-receptor recognition and drug action:  
stereochemistry of organic substances, electronic effects through bonds,  
physicochemical properties (pKa, partition coefficient), drug-receptor interaction  
forces

Major chemical reactions involved in drug metabolism

Bioisosterism and prodrug concepts

Therapeutic Classes: Non-steroidal anti-inflammatory drugs; antibiotics; central  
nervous system drugs; autonomic nervous system drugs.

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