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Answer on the following questions:

- Q1: Define the enzyme and mention five precautions must be taken during preparation of enzymes.
- Q2: Explain the mechanisms for opening of stomata.
- Q3: Define the auxin and Explain the pathway of auxin synthesis from tryptophan.

Q4: Complete the following:-

- A- The external factors affecting on the rate of water absorption
- B- The transpiration is advantageous for many reasons
- C- The supporting points of non-osmotic theory

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Model Answer

Q1: Define the enzyme and mention five precautions must be taken during preparation of enzymes.

Enzyme is a protein molecule and are biological catalysts. Enzymes increase the rate of the reaction. Enzymes are specific.

Mention to five precautions must be taken during the preparation of a crude enzyme solution.

1- The cells must be kept cold during disruption.

2- The medium must be buffered about neutrality.

3- Enzymes which contain sulfhydryl group (-SH) are liable to oxidation during extraction. To prevent such an oxidation , mercaptoethanol is added.

5-Ethyldiamine acetic acid (EDTA) is also added to chelate heavy metal ions.

Q2: Explain the mechanisms for opening of stomata.



Q3: Define the auxin and Explain the pathway of auxin synthesis from tryptophan.

Auxin: organic compound in low concentration promote or inhibit the growth.



Q4: Complete the following:-

- A- Factors affecting on the rate of water absorption Soil Temperature, Soil air, Soil water, Root system
- B- The transpiration is advantageous for many reasons

1- it creates suction force and help in the ascent of sap.

2- it affects the diffusion pressure deficit, there by indirectly helping diffusion through the cells.

3- it affects the absorption of water and minerals by root.

4- it helps in evaporating excess amount of water.

C- The supporting points of non-osmotic theory

(i) There is a correlation between the rate of water absorption and respiration,

(ii) Auxin-induced water uptake

(iii) The factors such as low temperature, oxygen tension and respiratory inhibitors which affect respiratory rate and in turn the absorption rate.

- D- The characteristics of a useful bioassay of plant hormone must include .
- 1- Easy in measure 2- controlling 3- Sensitive 4- spacificity