# SUPRAMOLECULAR CHEMISTRY

## 1. Nature of Supramolecular Interaction

- Deals with non-covalent interactions between molecules.
- Forces involved: Hydrogen bonding, Van der Waals,  $\pi$ – $\pi$  stacking, electrostatic, hydrophobic interactions.
- Molecules organize and recognize each other via weak forces.

#### 2. Host-Guest Interaction

- Host: Large molecule (e.g., crown ether, cyclodextrin).
- Guest: Smaller molecule or ion fitting into host cavity.
- Interactions: Hydrogen bonding, ion-dipole, hydrophobic effects.
- Example: Crown ether + Na<sup>+</sup> complex.

## 3. Molecular Recognition

- Definition: Selective binding of a guest by a host molecule.
- Types:

- Complementary (lock and key)
- o Dynamic (induced fit)
- Cooperative (multiple sites enhancing binding)

## 4. Self-Assembly

- Spontaneous organization of molecules into ordered structures (e.g., micelles, liposomes, DNA double helix).
- Driven by non-covalent forces such as hydrogen bonding and hydrophobic effect.

## 5. Cation Binding Hosts

- Bind cations using electron-rich atoms (O, N).
- Examples: Crown ethers, cryptands, calixarenes.

## 6. Receptors

- Cation receptors: Bind metal ions.
- Anion receptors: Bind anions via hydrogen bonding or electrostatics.

• Neutral receptors: Bind neutral molecules via H-bonding or hydrophobic forces.

#### 7. Crown Ethers

- Cyclic polyethers that selectively bind cations.
- Example: 18-crown-6 binds K<sup>+</sup>.
- Applications: Phase-transfer catalysts, ion transport, metal ion separation.

#### 8. Clathrates

- Inclusion compounds that trap guest molecules without direct bonding.
- Example: Methane clathrate
- Applications: Gas storage, drug delivery, separation processes.

# MEDICINAL CHEMISTRY

## 1. Drug and Drug Metabolism

• Drug: Chemical substance producing a biological effect.

- Metabolism: Biotransformation mainly in the liver.
  - Phase I: Oxidation, reduction, hydrolysis.
  - Phase II: Conjugation (glucuronidation, acetylation, etc.).

## 2. Mechanism of Drug Action

- Drugs act by interacting with biological targets such as:
  - Enzymes: Inhibition (e.g., aspirin inhibits COX).
  - Receptors: Activation or blocking (e.g., antihistamines).
  - o Ion channels: Blocking or modulation.
  - o DNA: Binding or damaging (anticancer agents).

#### 3. Common Diseases and Treatments

Disease	Cause	Treatment
Diabetes	Low insulin	Insulin, metformin
Hypertension	High BP	ACE inhibitors, β-blockers
Infection	Microbial attack	Antibiotics, antivirals

Anemia	Low Hb	Iron, folic acid
Ulcers	H. pylori	Antacids, proton-pump
	infection	inhibitors

#### 4. Blood and Clinical Tests

• Urea: Kidney function (20–40 mg/dL).

• Cholesterol: Lipid metabolism (< 200 mg/dL).

• Blood sugar: Diabetes indicator (< 100 mg/dL fasting).

• Iron (Fe): Detects anemia.

• Protein/Albumin: Liver function.

• Vitamins & minerals: Check nutritional status.

# **5. Medicinally Important Compounds**

• Analgesics: Paracetamol, aspirin.

• Antibiotics: Penicillin, streptomycin.

• Antiseptics: Dettol, phenol.

• Antimalarials: Chloroquine, quinine.

### 6. Vitamin Deficiency Diseases

Vitamin	<b>Deficiency Disease</b>	Major Source
A	Night blindness	Carrots, milk
B <sub>1</sub> (Thiamine)	Beriberi	Whole grains
B <sub>3</sub> (Niacin)	Pellagra	Meat, fish
B <sub>12</sub>	Pernicious anemia	Meat, eggs
С	Scurvy	Citrus fruits
D	Rickets/Osteomalacia	Sunlight, fish oil
K	Poor blood clotting	Green vegetables
Е	Reproductive disorders	Nuts, oils