

Effect of Nioxim on the Activity of Inhibited AChE

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Abstract

This study is designed to show the effects of Nioxim on the activity of inhibited AChE by heterocyclic compounds in sera. The results obtained showed that both Oxime causes decrease in percentage of inhibition. The mechanism of action of the Oxime as reactivators to inhibited AChE activity were suggested which attributed to the ability of this compound to attack the thion group of the inhibited enzyme (enzyme-inhibitor complex) by the nucleophilic oxygen atom and then liberate the free enzyme.

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Introduction

Cholinesterase is one of many important enzymes needed for the proper functioning of the nervous systems of humans, other vertebrates, and insects [1].

This enzyme works on the "synapses" which is an electrical switching centers found throughout the nervous system of humans, other vertebrates, and insects. Muscles, glands, and nerve fibres called "neruons" are stimulated or inhibited by constant firing of signals across these synapses [2].

Stimulating signals are usually carried by a chemical called "acetyl choline". Stimulating signals are discontinued by a specific type of cholinesterase enzyme, acetylcholinesterase, which breaks down the acetylcholine. These important chemical reactions are usually going on all the time at a very fast rate, with acetylcholine causing stimulation and acetyl cholinesterase ending the signal. If cholinesterase-affecting insecticides are present in the synapses, however, this situation is thrown out of balance. Acetylcholine can then build up, causing a "jam" in the nervous system. Thus, when a

person receives to great an exposure to cholinesterase inhibiting compounds, the body is unable to break down the acetylcholine [3].

Organ phosphorous (OP's) compounds inhibit AChE irreversibly by forming phosphorylated serine (phosphorylated enzyme) in the esteratic site of AChE; regeneration of this site by spontaneous hydrolysis of the complex is very slow.

The enzyme- phosphate ester complexes formed from the action of OP's on AChE are hydrolyzed only slowly, producing prolonged inhibition [4].

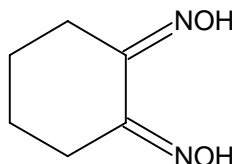
It is possible to reactivate the enzyme by several compounds given soon after the AChE phosphorylation due to poisoning by these substances [5].

Experimental

One Oxime was selected to test its reactivation effects on the activity of inhibited AChE by heterocyclic compounds. The solubility this compound was tested in sodium phosphate buffer (0.2 M, pH= 7.3) which was used in enzyme activity determination.

The compound was chosen namely Nioxim(1,2-cyclohexanediondioxime.

M.wt = 142.-16



Procedure:

A stock solution (0.1 M) concentration of Nioxim was prepared and then the following concentrations (0.5, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5) $\times 10^{-3}$ M were prepared. (1×10^{-4} M) concentration of all inhibitors was selected to determine the enzyme activity with and without the inhibitor and under the same conditions as follows:

(50 μ l) of DTNB solution (0.001 M) was added to 2.25 ml of phosphate buffer solution (1 ml of inhibitor mixed with 1.25 ml of buffer (pH=7.3, 0.2M)), then (10 μ l) of serum was added, mixed well and (2 ml) of the mixture was transferred to a measuring cell (3 mm), finally (34 μ l) of ASChI (0.06M) was added, the change in absorbency was measured before and after adding the substrate at

(430 nm) for (3 min). After that the enzyme activity was determined in the presence of inhibitor and possible reactivator (1.25 ml buffer mixed with 0.75 ml of possible reactivator). The method described in above was followed for the measurement of the activity of enzyme.

Table 1:- Heterocyclic Compounds used for interaction with AChE

Comp. No.	Structure	Name	Mwt.
1		5-(p-methyl phenyl)-3-[5'-nitro-2'-furyl]methylamino]-1,3,4-thiodiazole	314
2		5-(o-nitro phenyl)-3-[3(5'-nitro-2'-furyl)Prop-2-enylidene amino)]-1,2,4-thiodiazole	326
3		5-Amino-2-mercapto-4-[5'-nitro-2'-furyl)methylene amino]-4H-1,2,4-triazole	254
4		3-Mercapto-5-(p-NO ₂ phenyl)-4H-1,2,4-triazole	238
5		5-Amino-3-mercapto-4-[3-(5'-nitro-2'-furyl)Prop-2-methylene amino)]-4H-1,2,4-triazole	219
6		5-Amino-3-hydroxy-4-[3'-(5'-nitro-2'-furyl)Prop-2-enylidene amino)]-4H-1,2,4-triazole	264
7		3-Mercapto-4-phenyl-5-[3-(5-nitro-2'-furyl)Prop-2-enylidene) amino]-4H-1,2,4-triazole	341

8		Tri[3(5-nitro-2'-furyl) Prop-2-enylidene) amino]-4H-1,2,4-triazole	574
9		3-phenyl -6-[5'-nitro-2'-furyl) ethyl]-1,2,4-triazolo[3,4,6],[1,3,4] thiodiazole	339
10		4-Amino-1,2,4-Triazole	84
11		3,5-diphenyl-4-amino-1,2,4-triazole	236
12		2-(amino-5-(p-methoxy phenyl)1,3,4-thiadiazole	206
13		2-(amino-5-thio benzoyloxy-1,3,4-thiadiazole	237
14		5-Nitrofurylidene - N-p-NO ₂ -benzoic acid hydride	304
15		5-Nitrofurylidene - N-p-methoxy-benzoic acid hydride	289

Results and Discussion

Acetylcholinesterase can be reactivated by many substances which have the ability to reactivate it and some are used as organophosphorous antidotes, like obidoxime chloride and pralidoxime, others are also available like diacetylmonoxime and trimedoxime bromide. In the present study, the compounds tested to reactivate the enzyme is Nioxim contain nucleophilic groups more than other oximes, to reactivate the inhibited AChE by heterocyclic compounds in human serum.

Various concentrations of Nioxim $(0.5-5) \times 10^{-3}$ M were used with a fixed concentration $(1 \times 10^{-4} \text{M})$ of inhibitors as shown in tables (2-4)

All concentrations which used causes decrease in the inhibition percentage of the inhibited AChE activity, the degree of reactivation increased with the increased concentration of Nioxim until maximum reactivation was reached. The behavior of AChE activity in the

presence of inhibitors and Nioxim of various concentrations are shown in figures (1 and 2).

The influence of Nioxim as reactivater is mainly attributed to the ability of Nioxim to attack the active groups of the inhibited enzyme (enzyme- inhibitor complex) by the nucleophilic oxygen atom and then liberate the free enzyme according to the proposed mechanism shown in scheme (1 and 2).

Table (2) Effect of different concentrations of *Nioxime* on the activity of inhibited *AChE* by compounds (1) to (5).

Compound (1)			
Oxime Cone.[M]	Enzyme activity	Inhibition[%]	ActivityRecovered[%]
Nil	5.500	0	100
0	1.125	79.545	20.455
5x10 ⁻⁴	5.075	39.091	60.909
1x10 ⁻³	4.675	35.909	64.091
2x10 ⁻³	4.325	27.723	72.273
3x10 ⁻³	3.975	21.364	78.636
4x10 ⁻³	3.525	15.000	85.000
5x10 ⁻³	3.350	7.723	92.273
Compound (2)			
Oxime Cone.[M]	Enzyme activity	Inhibition[%]	ActivityRecovered[%]
Nil	5.175	0	100
0	1.350	73.913	26.087
5x10 ⁻⁴	3.350	35.266	64.734
1x10 ⁻³	3.600	30.435	69.565
2x10 ⁻³	3.875	25.121	74.879
3x10 ⁻³	4.175	19.324	80.676
4x10 ⁻³	4.325	16.425	83.575
5x10 ⁻³	4.500	13.043	86.957
Compound (3)			
Oxime Cone.[M]	Enzyme activity	Inhibition[%]	ActivityRecovered[%]
Nil	5.925	0	100
0	1.800	69.620	30.380
5x10 ⁻⁴	16.878	37.131	62.869
1x10 ⁻³	24.473	31.646	68.354
2x10 ⁻³	27.004	29.536	70.464
3x10 ⁻³	29.536	27.004	72.996
4x10 ⁻³	31.646	24.473	75.527
5x10 ⁻³	37.131	16.878	83.122
Compound (4)			
Oxime Cone.[M]	Enzyme activity	Inhibition[%]	ActivityRecovered[%]
Nil	5.200	0	100
0	-1.075	79.327	20.673
5x10 ⁻⁴	3.500	32.692	67.308
1x10 ⁻³	3.700	28.846	71.154
2x10 ⁻³	3.925	24.519	75.841
3x10 ⁻³	4.245	18.365	81.634
4x10 ⁻³	4.475	13.942	86.058
5x10 ⁻³	4.600	11.538	88.462
Compound (5)			
Oxime Cone.[M]	Enzyme activity	Inhibition[%]	ActivityRecovered[%]
Nil	7.275	0	100
0	1.275	82.474	17.526
5x10 ⁻⁴	3.500	51.890	48.110
1x10 ⁻³	3.800	47.766	52.234
2x10 ⁻³	4.175	42.612	57.388
3x10 ⁻³	4.550	37.457	62.543
4x10 ⁻³	4.825	33.677	66.323
5x10 ⁻³	5.250	27.835	72.165

Table (3) Effect of different concentrations of *Nioxime* on the activity of inhibited *AChE* by compounds (6) to (10).

Compound (6)			
Oxime Cone.[M]	Enzyme activity	Inhibition[%]	ActivityRecovered[%]
Nil	5.525	0	100
0	1.650	70.136	29.964
5x10 ⁻⁴	3.375	38.914	61.086
1x10 ⁻³	3.550	35.747	64.253
2x10 ⁻³	4.175	24.434	75.566
3x10 ⁻³	4.525	18.100	81.900
4x10 ⁻³	4.825	12.670	87.330
5x10 ⁻³	5.25	4.977	95.023
Compound (7)			
Oxime Cone.[M]	Enzyme activity	Inhibition[%]	Activity Recovered[%]
Nil	6.500	0	100
0	1.425	78.077	21.923
5x10 ⁻⁴	3.575	45.000	55.000
1x10 ⁻³	3.775	41.923	58.077
2x10 ⁻³	4.175	35.769	64.231
3x10 ⁻³	4.675	28.077	71.923
4x10 ⁻³	5.325	18.077	81.823
5x10 ⁻³	6.150	5.385	94.615
Compound (8)			
Oxime Cone.[M]	Enzyme activity	Inhibition[%]	Activity Recovered[%]
Nil	6.150	0	100
0	1.350	78.049	21.951
5x10 ⁻⁴	4.100		66.667
1x10 ⁻³	4.325	29.675	70.325
2x10 ⁻³	4.550	26.016	73.984
3x10 ⁻³	4.725	23.171	76.829
4x10 ⁻³	4.950	19.512	80.488
5x10 ⁻³	5.425	11.789	88.211
Compound (9)			
Oxime Cone.[M]	Enzyme activity	Inhibition[%]	Activity Recovered[%]
Nil	7.275	0	100
0	1.450	80.069	19.931
5x10 ⁻⁴	5x10⁻⁴	36.082	63.918
1x10 ⁻³	1x10⁻³	32.646	67.354
2x10 ⁻³	2x10⁻³	29.553	70.447
3x10 ⁻³	3x10⁻³	22.337	77.663
4x10 ⁻³	4x10⁻³	15.464	84.536
5x10 ⁻³	5x10⁻³	9.622	90.378
Compound (10)			
Oxime Cone.[M]	Enzyme activity	Inhibition[%]	Activity Recovered[%]
Nil	6.750	0	100
0	1.425	78.889	21.111
5x10 ⁻⁴	4.550	32.593	67.407
1x10 ⁻³	4.825	28.519	71.481
2x10 ⁻³	5.100	24.444	75.556
3x10 ⁻³	5.300	21.481	78.519
4x10 ⁻³	5.925	12.222	87.778
5x10 ⁻³	6.150	8.889	91.111

Table (4) Effect of different concentrations of *Nioxime* on the activity of inhibited *AChE* by compounds (11) to (15).

Compound (11)			
Oxime Cone.[M]	Enzyme activity	Inhibition[%]	Activity Recovered[%]
Nil	6.525	0	100
0	1.400	78.544	21.456
5x10 ⁻⁴	3.350	48.659	51.341
1x10 ⁻³	3.575	45.211	54.789
2x10 ⁻³	4.175	36.015	63.985
3x10 ⁻³	4.400	32.567	67.433
4x10 ⁻³	4.725	27.586	72.414
5x10 ⁻³	5.200	20.307	79.693
Compound (12)			
Oxime Cone.[M]	Enzyme activity	Inhibition[%]	Activity Recovered[%]
Nil	7.000	0	100
0	2.700	61.429	38.571
5x10 ⁻⁴	3.750	46.429	53.571
1x10 ⁻³	4.025	42.500	57.500
2x10 ⁻³	4.325	38.214	61.786
3x10 ⁻³	4.900	30.000	70.000
4x10 ⁻³	5.050	27.857	72.143
5x10 ⁻³	5.300	24.286	75.714
Compound (13)			
Oxime Cone.[M]	Enzyme activity	Inhibition[%]	Activity Recovered[%]
Nil	6.350	0	100
0	2.375	62.598	37.402
5x10 ⁻⁴	4.050	36.220	63.780
1x10 ⁻³	4.400	30.709	69.291
2x10 ⁻³	4.675	26.378	73.622
3x10 ⁻³	4.825	24.016	75.984
4x10 ⁻³	5.250	17.323	82.677
5x10 ⁻³	5.450	14.173	85.827
Compound (14)			
Oxime Cone.[M]	Enzyme activity	Inhibition[%]	Activity Recovered[%]
Nil	6.050	0	100
0	0.900	85.124	14.786
5x10 ⁻⁴	2.775	18.595	45.868
1x10 ⁻³	3.000	25.620	49.587
2x10 ⁻³	3.650	34.298	60.331
3x10 ⁻³	3.975	39.669	65.702
4x10 ⁻³	4.500	50.413	74.380
5x10 ⁻³	4.925	54.132	81.405
Compound (15)			
Oxime Cone.[M]	Enzyme activity	Inhibition[%]	Activity Recovered[%]
Nil	7.425	0	100
0	1.325	82.155	17.845
5x10 ⁻⁴	5.125	30.976	69.024
1x10 ⁻³	5.500	25.926	74.074
2x10 ⁻³	5.825	21.549	78.451
3x10 ⁻³	6.025	18.855	81.145
4x10 ⁻³	6.225	16.162	83.838
5x10 ⁻³	6.450	13.131	86.869

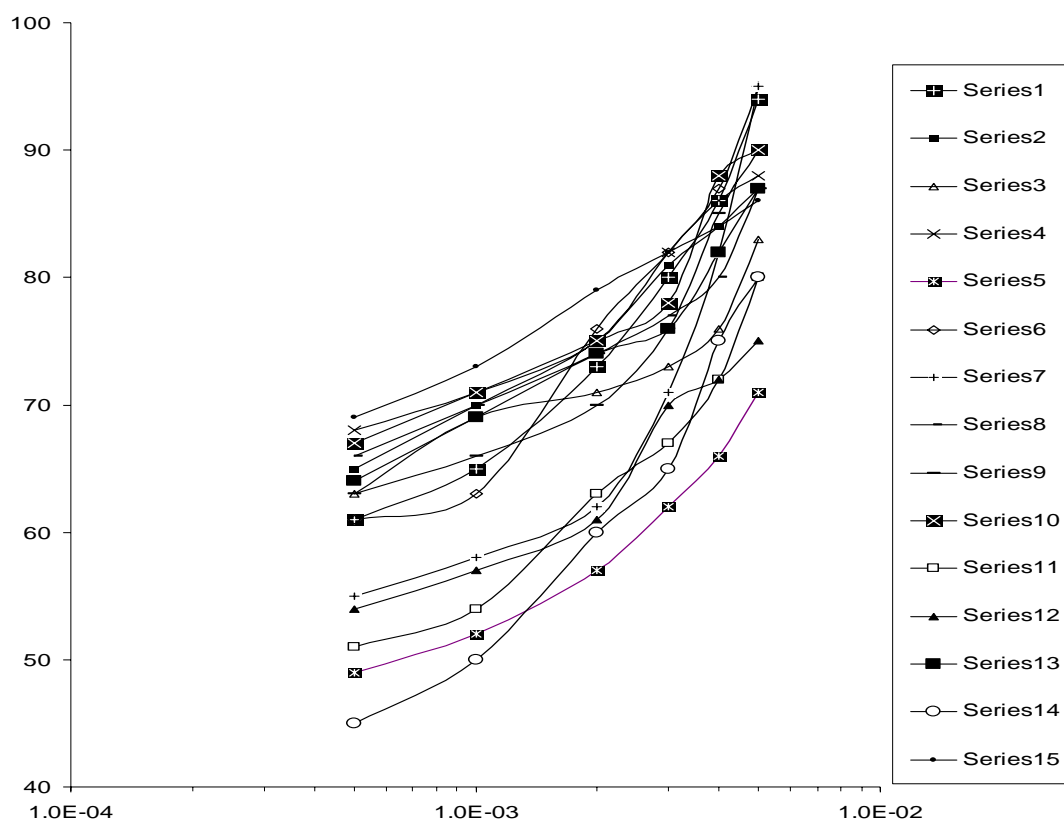


Fig.1 -: Effect of different concentrations of Nioxim on the activity of inhibited AChE by compounds (1-15)

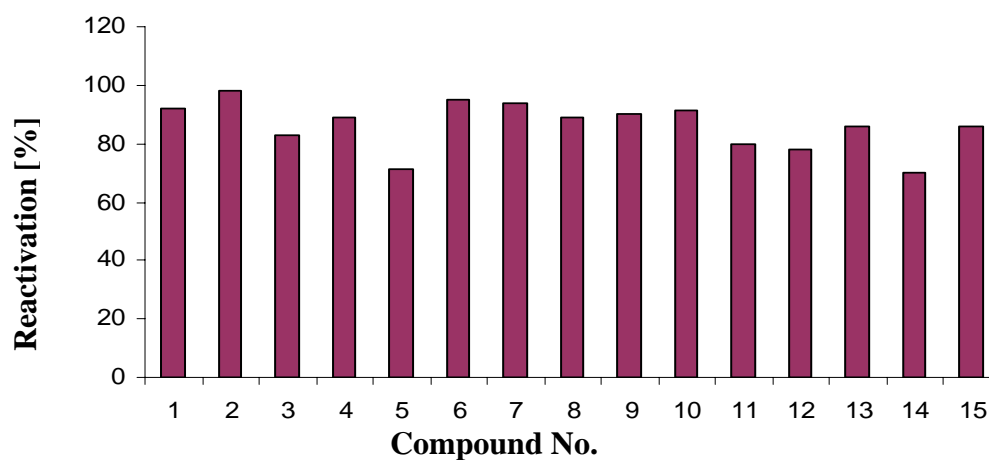
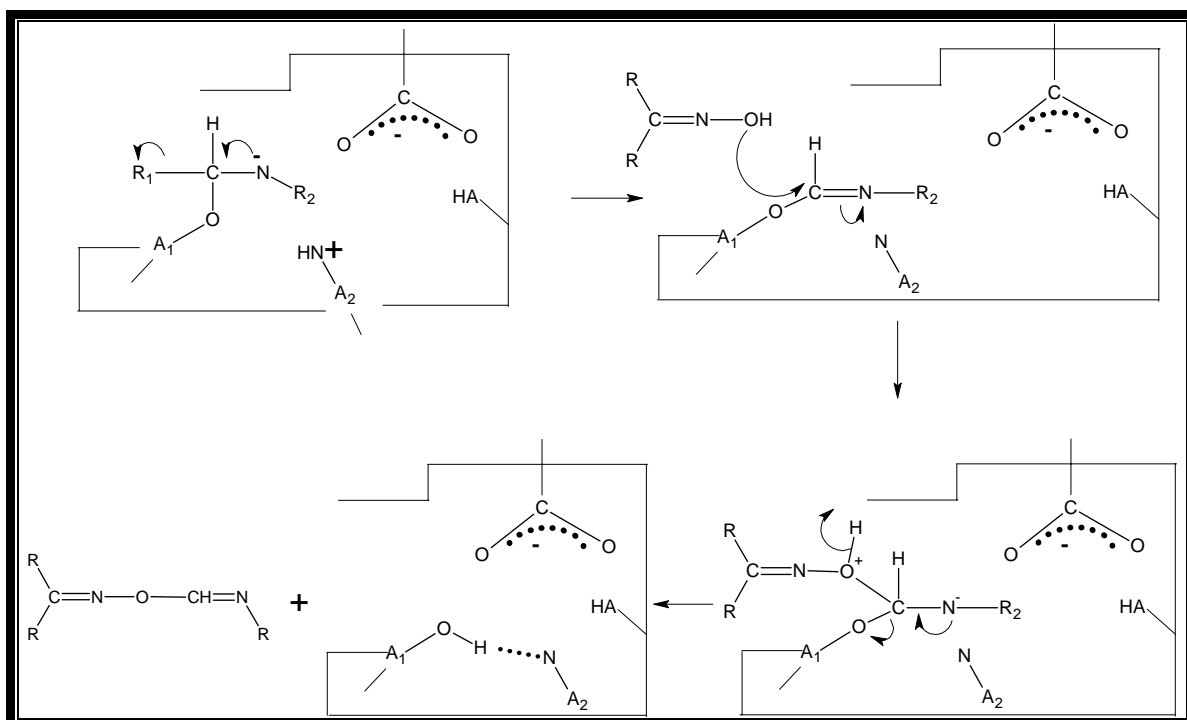
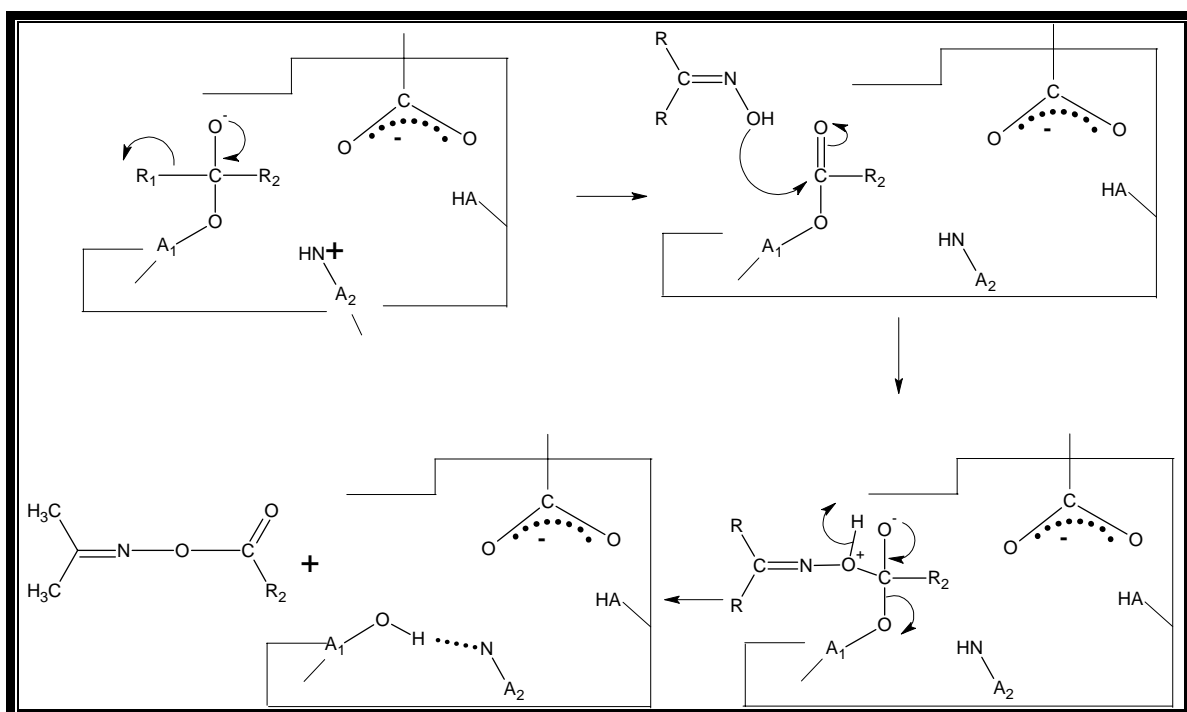


Fig. 2-: Diagram shows the effect of Nioxim on the activity of inhibited AChE by compounds (1-15)



Scheme(1) First suggested mechanism for reactivation AChE by Nioxim
 $A_1 = \text{Ser, Glu, Asp, and Tyr}$ $A_2 = \text{His, Lys, Arg, Gln, and Asn}$



Scheme(2) Second suggested mechanism for reactivation AChE by Nioxim
 $A_1 = \text{Ser, Glu, Asp, and Tyr}$ $A_2 = \text{His, Lys, Arg, Gln, and Asn}$

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