DEPARTMENT OF BIOCHEMISTRY AND BIOPHYSICS

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Biochemists seek to understand life at the molecular level, including the detailed structures of biological molecules and the chemical reactions in which they participate. They study the molecules of living systems of all kinds, from the simplest viruses and bacteria to higher plants and animals. In their work, biochemists use experimental tools ranging from x-ray crystallography and nuclear magnetic resonance to bioinformatics and genetic engineering. Biochemistry is a dynamic and diverse field that has become the basic discipline for the life sciences, and biochemists have made significant discoveries that relate to medicine, agriculture, and the environment.

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