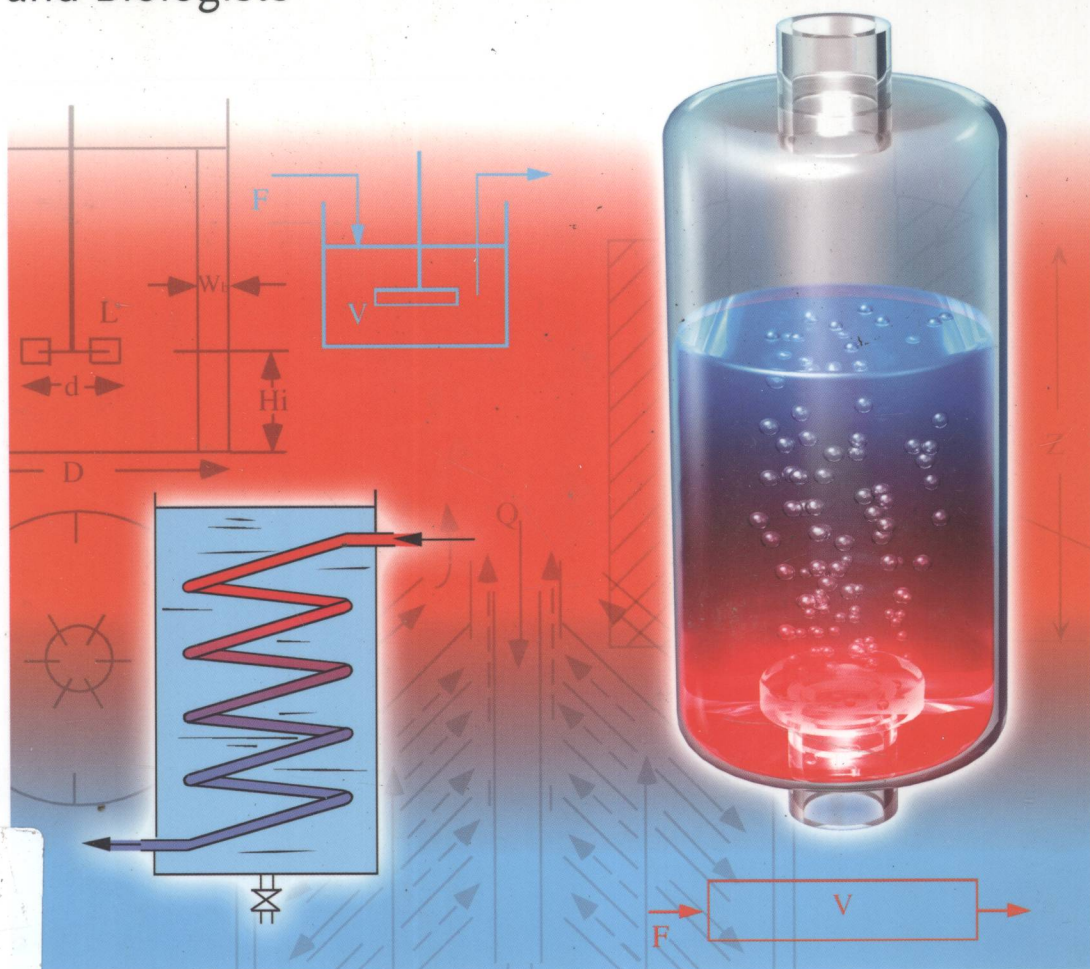


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## Preface

Bioengineering can be defined as the application of the various branches of engineering, including mechanical, electrical, and chemical engineering, to biological systems, including those related to medicine. Likewise, biochemical engineering refers to the application of chemical engineering to biological systems. This book is intended for use by undergraduates, and deals with the applications of chemical engineering to biological systems in general. In that respect, no preliminary knowledge of chemical engineering is assumed.

Since the publication of the pioneering text *Biochemical Engineering*, by Aiba, Humphrey and Mills in 1964, several articles on so-called “biochemical” or “bioprocess” engineering have been published. Whilst all of these have combined the applications of chemical engineering and biochemistry, the relative space allocated to the two disciplines has varied widely among the different texts.

In this book, we describe the application of chemical engineering principles to biological systems, but in doing so assume that the reader has some practical knowledge of biotechnology, but no prior background in chemical engineering. Hence, we have attempted to demonstrate how a typical chemical engineer would address and solve such problems. Consequently, a simplified rather than rigorous approach has often been adopted in order to facilitate an understanding by newcomers to this field of study. Although in Part I of the book we have outlined some very elementary concepts of chemical engineering for those new to the field, the book can be used equally well for senior or even postgraduate level courses in chemical engineering for students of biotechnology, when the reader can simply start from Part II. Naturally, this book should prove especially useful for those biotechnologists interested in self-studying chemical bioengineering. In Part III, we provide descriptions of the applications of biochemical engineering not only to bioprocessing but also to other areas, including the design of selected medical devices. Moreover, to assist progress in learning, a number of worked examples, together with some “homework” problems, are included in each chapter.

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## Nomenclature\*

$A$	Area ( $\text{m}^2$ )
$a$	Specific interfacial area ( $\text{m}^2 \text{m}^{-3}$ or $\text{m}^{-1}$ )
$b$	Width of rectangular conduit (m)
$C$	Concentration ( $\text{kg}$ or $\text{kmol m}^{-3}$ , $\text{g}$ or $\text{mol cm}^{-3}$ )
$C_n$	Cell number density ( $\text{m}^{-3}$ )
$C_p$	Heat capacity ( $\text{kcal } ^\circ\text{C}^{-1}$ or $\text{kJ K}^{-1}$ )
$C_x$	Cell mass concentration ( $\text{kg m}^{-3}$ )
$Cl$	Clearance of kidney or hemodialyzer ( $\text{cm}^3 \text{min}^{-1}$ )
$c_p$	Specific heat capacity ( $\text{kJ kg}^{-1} \text{K}^{-1}$ or $\text{kcal kg}^{-1} ^\circ\text{C}^{-1}$ )
$D$	Diffusivity ( $\text{m}^2 \text{h}^{-1}$ or $\text{cm}^2 \text{s}^{-1}$ )
$D$	Tank or column diameter (m)
$Dl$	Dialysance of hemodialyzer ( $\text{cm}^3 \text{min}^{-1}$ )
$d$	Diameter (m or cm)
$d_e$	Equivalent diameter (m or cm)
$E$	Enhancement factor = $k^*/k(-)$
$E$	Internal energy (kJ)
$E_a$	Activation energy ( $\text{kJ kmol}^{-1}$ )
$E_D, E_H, E_V$	Eddy diffusivity, Eddy thermal diffusivity, and Eddy kinematic viscosity, respectively ( $\text{m}^2 \text{h}^{-1}$ or $\text{cm}^2 \text{s}^{-1}$ )
$E_f$	Effectiveness factor
$F$	Volumetric flow rate $(-)$ ( $\text{m}^3 \text{h}^{-1}$ or $\text{cm}^3 \text{s}^{-1}$ or $\text{min}^{-1}$ )
$f$	Friction factor
$G_m$	Fluid mass velocity ( $\text{kg h}^{-1} \text{m}^{-2}$ )
$G_V$	Volumetric gas flow rate per unit area ( $\text{m h}^{-1}$ )
$g$	Gravity acceleration ( $= 9.807 \text{ m s}^{-2}$ )
$H$	Henry's law constant ( $\text{atm}$ or $\text{Pa kmol}^{-1}$ (or $\text{kg}^{-1}) \text{ m}^3$ )
$H$	Height, Height per transfer unit (m)
$H$	Enthalpy (kJ)
$H_s$	Height equivalent to an equilibrium stage $(-)$
$Ht$	Hematocrit (%)
$h$	Individual phase film coefficient of heat transfer ( $\text{W m}^{-2} \text{K}^{-1}$ or $\text{kcal h}^{-1} \text{m}^{-2} ^\circ\text{C}^{-1}$ )

\* Some symbols and subscripts explained in the text are omitted.



$J$	Mass transfer flux ( $\text{kg or kmol h}^{-1} \text{m}^{-2}$ )
$J_F$	Filtrate flux ( $\text{m s}^{-1}$ , $\text{m h}^{-1}$ , $\text{cm min}^{-1}$ or $\text{cm s}^{-1}$ )
$K_L$	Consistency index ( $\text{g cm}^{-1} \text{s}^{n-2}$ or $\text{kg m}^{-1} \text{s}^{n-2}$ )
$K$	Overall mass transfer coefficient ( $\text{m h}^{-1}$ or $\text{cm s}^{-1}$ )
$K$	Distribution coefficient, Equilibrium constant (–)
$K_m$	Michaelis constant ( $\text{kmol m}^{-3}$ or $\text{mol cm}^{-3}$ )
$k$	Individual phase mass transfer coefficient ( $\text{m h}^{-1}$ or $\text{cm s}^{-1}$ )
$k$	Reaction rate constant ( $\text{s}^{-1}$ , $\text{m}^3 \text{kmol}^{-1} \text{s}^{-1}$ etc.)
$k_M$	Diffusive membrane permeability coefficient ( $\text{m h}^{-1}$ or $\text{cm s}^{-1}$ )
$L$	Length (m or cm)
$L_v$	Volumetric liquid flow rate per unit area ( $\text{m h}^{-1}$ )
$m$	Partition coefficient (–)
$N$	Mass transfer rate per unit volume ( $\text{kmol or kg h}^{-1} \text{m}^{-3}$ )
$N$	Number of revolutions ( $\text{T}^{-1}$ )
$N$	Number of transfer unit (–)
$N$	Number of theoretical plates (–)
$N_i$	Number of moles of $i$ component (kmol)
$n$	Flow behavior index (–)
$n$	Cell number (–)
$P$	Total pressure (Pa or bar)
$P$	Power requirement ( $\text{kJ s}^{-1}$ or W)
$p$	Partial pressure (Pa or bar)
$Q$	Heat transfer rate ( $\text{kcal/h}$ or $\text{kJ/s}$ or W)
$Q$	Total flow rate ( $\text{m}^3 \text{s}^{-1}$ )
$q$	Heat transfer flux ( $\text{W m}^{-2}$ or $\text{kcal h}^{-1} \text{m}^{-2}$ )
$q_p$	Adsorbed amount ( $\text{kmol kg}^{-1}$ )
$R$	Gas law constant $\text{atm l gmol}^{-1} \text{K}^{-1}$ , ( $= 0.08206 \text{ kJ kmol}^{-1} \text{K}^{-1}$ , etc.)
$R$	Hydraulic resistance in filtration ( $= 8.314 \text{ m}^{-1}$ )
<b>R, r</b>	Radius (m or cm)
$r_p$	Sphere-equivalent particle radius (m or cm)
$r_i$	Reaction rate of $i$ component ( $\text{kmol m}^{-3} \text{s}^{-1}$ )
$T$	Temperature (K)
$t$	Temperature ( $^{\circ}\text{C}$ or K)
$t$	Time (s)
$U$	Overall heat transfer coefficient ( $\text{kcal h}^{-1} \text{m}^{-2} \text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}^{-1}$ or $\text{W m}^{-2} \text{K}^{-1}$ )
$U$	Superficial velocity ( $\text{m s}^{-1}$ or $\text{cm s}^{-1}$ )
$u$	Velocity ( $\text{m s}^{-1}$ or $\text{cm s}^{-1}$ )
$V$	Volume ( $\text{m}^3$ )
$V_{\max}$	Maximum reaction rate ( $\text{kmol m}^{-3} \text{s}^{-1}$ )
$v$	Velocity averaged over conduit cross section ( $\text{m s}^{-1}$ or $\text{cm s}^{-1}$ )
$v_t$	Terminal velocity ( $\text{m s}^{-1}$ )
$W$	Work done to system ( $\text{kJ/s}$ or W)
$W$	Mass flow rate per tube ( $\text{kg s}^{-1}$ or $\text{g s}^{-1}$ )
$W$	Peak width ( $\text{m}^3$ or s)
$w$	Weight (kg)

$x$	Thickness of wall or membrane (m or cm)
$x_i$	Mole fraction (–)
$x$	Fractional conversion (–)
$Y_{x/s}$	Cell yield (kg dry cells/kg substrate consumed)
$\gamma$	Distance (m or cm)
$\gamma$	Oxygen saturation (% or –)
$\Delta y_f$	Effective film thickness (m or cm)
$Z$	Column height (m)
$z$	Height of rectangular conduit of channel (m or cm)

### Subscripts

G	Gas
i	Interface, Inside, Inlet
L	Liquid
o	Outside, Outlet
0	Initial

### Superscripts

*	Value in equilibrium with the other phase
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### Greek letters

$\alpha$	Thermal diffusivity ( $\text{m}^2 \text{h}^{-1}$ or $\text{cm}^2 \text{s}^{-1}$ )
$\alpha$	Specific cake resistance ( $\text{m kg}^{-1}$ )
$\gamma$	Shear rate ( $\text{s}^{-1}$ )
$\varepsilon$	Void fraction (–)
$\varepsilon$	Gas holdup (–)
$\phi$	Thiele modulus (–)
$\kappa$	Thermal conductivity ( $\text{W m}^{-1} \text{K}^{-1}$ or $\text{kcal m}^{-1} \text{h}^{-1} \text{°C}^{-1}$ )
$\mu$	Viscosity ( $\text{Pa s}$ or $\text{g cm}^{-1} \text{s}^{-1}$ )
$\mu$	Specific growth rate ( $\text{h}^{-1}$ )
$\nu$	Kinematic viscosity = $\mu/\rho$ ( $\text{cm}^2 \text{s}^{-1}$ or $\text{m}^2 \text{h}^{-1}$ )
$\Pi$	Osmotic pressure (atm or Pa)
$\rho$	Density ( $\text{kg m}^{-3}$ )
$\sigma$	Surface tension ( $\text{kg s}^{-2}$ )
$\sigma$	Reflection coefficient (–)
$\sigma$	Standard deviation (–)
$\tau$	Shear stress (Pa)
$\tau$	Residence time (s)
$\omega$	Angular velocity ( $\text{s}^{-1}$ )

**Dimensionless numbers**

$(Bo) = (g D^2 \rho / \sigma)$	Bond number
$(Da) = (-r_{a,max} / k_L A C_{ab})$	Damköhler number
$(Fr) = [U_G / (g D)^{1/2}]$	Froude number
$(Ga) = (g D^3 / \nu^2)$	Galilei number
$(Gz) = (W G_p / \kappa L)$	Graetz number
$(Nu) = (h d / \kappa)$	Nusselt number
$(Nx) = (F / D L)$	Unnamed
$(Pe) = (\nu L / E_D)$	Peclet number
$(Pr) = (c_p \mu / \kappa)$	Prandtl number
$(Re) = (d \nu \rho / \mu)$	Reynolds number
$(Sc) = (\mu / \rho D)$	Schmidt number
$(Sh) = (k d / D)$	Sherwood number
$(St) = (k / \nu)$ or $(h / c_p \nu \rho)$	Stanton number

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