

PROTEIN–PROTEIN INTERACTIONS

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1 INTRODUCTION

Living organisms are almost exclusively comprised of four classes of molecules, namely, proteins, nucleic acids, polysaccharides, and lipids. Of these, barring lipids, all other classes can be regarded as macromolecules that are built from a limited number of building blocks or monomers. In the case of proteins, such building blocks are amino acids. Proteins are formed by polymerization of essentially twenty