

2012**M.Sc.****1st Semester Examination****BIOTECHNOLOGY****PAPER—BIT-101***Full Marks : 40**Time : 2 Hours*

The figures in the right-hand margin indicate full marks.

Candidates are required to give their answers in their own words as far as practicable.

Illustrate the answers wherever necessary.

Group—A

Answer any *five* questions from the following : 5×2

1. (a) Compare between A, B and Z DNA.
- (b) What is an assymmetric carbon atom?
- (c) What do you mean by T_m value of a DNA?
- (d) What is the relationship between ΔG for a process and the speed at which it occurs?
- (e) Give important difference between a reaction taking place within a cell and one taking place within a test-tube.

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- (f) Protein strongly absorbs UV light in the range 275-300 nm. Explain why ?
- (g) Which amino acid is unable to form a proper peptide bond and why ?
- (h) Mention the function of sphingomyelin.

Group—B

Answer any *two* questions from the following. 2×5

2. (a) Explain why during analysis of protein it is normally precipitated by TCA. 2+3
- (b) What is Sanger's reagent ? In which test it is used ? 2+3
3. (a) Which base is unique to DNA and to RNA ?
- (b) Why RNA and not DNA is sensitive to alkaline hydrolysis ? 2+3
4. (a) What are co-enzymes ? Give example.
- (b) Briefly describe the secondary structure of Protein. 3+2
5. Briefly mention the function of the following :
- (i) Transaminases ;
- (ii) Oxido-red intase. 2+3

Group—C

Answer any two questions from the following : 2×10

6. (a) State the difference between MALDIMS and ESI MS in their working principle during the measurement of a macromolecular protein ?
- (b) What is isoelectric focusing ?
- (c) Explain Lambert-Beer's law and its importance in spectroscopic methods of structure elucidation.

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7. (a) What is radioactivity ?
- (b) State and explain the theory of radioactive disintegration.
- (c) What do you mean by Tracer Technique ?
- (d) Write some useful applications of radioactive materials.

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8. (a) What is 'Ribozyme' ?
- (b) What is the function of active site of an enzyme ?
- (c) Deduce Michaelis-Menten' equation for an enzyme-catalysed reaction.
- (d) What do you mean by 'optimum temperature of an enzyme catalyzed reaction ?

1+1+7+1

9. (a) What do you mean by the term 'PAGE' ?
- (b) Describe briefly with a suitable diagram how proteins in a mixture can be separated using 'SDS-PAGE'.
- (c) What is affinity chromatography ?

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