

M.Sc. 3rd Semester Examination, 2015

BIOCHEMISTRY

PAPER — BIC - 304

Full Marks : 40

Time : 2 hours

Answer all questions

The figures in the right-hand margin indicate marks

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

Illustrate the answers wherever necessary

(Molecular Virology)

GROUP— A

1. Answer any *five* questions from the following : 2 × 5
(a) Mention the mode of action of Acyclovir as antiviral drug.

(Turn Over)

- (b) What is systemic and localised infection ?
- (c) Define viral trophism.
- (d) What are satellite viruses ?
- (e) State importance of some t-RNAs in viral replication.
- (f) What is retro transposons ?
- (g) What does it mean to say that viral capsid are metastable ?
- (h) What is conjugated vaccine ? Give example.

GROUP – B

Answer any two questions from the following : 5×2

- 2. Describe the sequential gene expressions and molecular events that take place during T_4 infection. 5
- 3. Compare and contrast the generalized and specialized transduction. 5

(3)

4. What are advantages and disadvantages of using animal viruses in human gene therapy? Write a suitable strategy for viral count. 3 + 2
5. Briefly describe viral envelope components and state their functions. 3 + 2

GROUP – C

Answer any two questions from the following :

10 × 2

6. What is the unique attribute of M13 bacteriophage? Outline the steps involved in the reproduction of M13. Why is it an attractive virus in recombinant technique? 2 + 6 + 2
7. How is lysogeny established and maintained in case of lambda phage? Write a short note on mu phage. 6 + 4
8. Write in detail about steps of viral pathogenesis. How does an icosahedral virion attach to host? What probable target sites will you consider for antiretroviral drugs? 5 + 3 + 2

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9. Outline the life cycle of HIV and how does it cause disease ? Mention the mode of entry of plant viruses into the host. 8 + 2
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