

M.Sc. 1st Semester Examination, 2023

ZOOLOGY

PAPER — ZOO-104

Full Marks : 50

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

PAPER — ZOO-104.1

(Cell Biology)

[Marks : 20]

1. Answer any *two* of the following : 2 × 2

(a) What are the common fatty acid chains

in phosphoglycerids and why do these fatty acid chains differ in their number of carbon atoms by multiple of 2 ?

(b) What are the basis of microtubule polarity ?

(c) Mention the name of TM and Loops in a typical GPCR having more

(i) Hydrophobicity

(ii) Disulphide linkage.

(d) Why does CAM Kinase regarded as “Molecular memory device” ?

2. Answer any *two* questions from the following : 4 × 2

(a) Cdk 1 mutation at Tyr 15 is replaced by phenyl alanine shows premature entry into mitosis. Explain the phenomenon with proper diagram. 4

(b) State the function of GRB2, Thr 35 of $G\alpha$ subunit is replaced by valine. State its the consequences in cell signalling. 1 + 3

(c) What is the relation between MDM2 and p53 ? What is function of securin ? 2 + 2

(d) The membrane potential in animal cells depends on K^+ channels. Why K^+ channels are considered as non-gated channel ? How do K^+ channels are selective for K^+ versus Na^+ , which is smaller than K^+ ? 2 + 2

3. Answer any *one* question from the following : 8 × 1

(a) (i) State the role of CIP and INK4 family proteins in cell cycle regulation. 2

(ii) Cancer cells typically lose cell cycle control. Explain how the following

mutations, which are found in some cancer cells, lead to a bypass of these controls : 6 + 2

(I) Overexpression of cyclin D

(II) Loss of Rb function

(III) Loss of p16 function

(IV) Hyperactive E2F.

(b) (i) Describe the structure responsible for determining microtubule formation. 2

(ii) What is the function of A-Kinase associated protein (AKAP) in regulation of the function of PKA ? 3

(iii) State the role of G-Protein coupled receptor kinases (GRKs) in regulation of GPCR activation. 3

PAPER – ZOO-104.2

(*Cytogenetics*)

[**Marks : 20**]

4. Answer any *two* of the following : 2 × 2

- (a) If two different mutations that produce the same phenotype can complement each other, what can you conclude about the locations of each mutation ?
- (b) Which bacterial genetic transfer process does not require recombination with the bacterial chromosome ?
- (c) In some cancer cells a specific gene has become duplicated many times. Is this gene likely to be an oncogene or a tumour suppressor gene ?
- (d) Differentiate bacterial transformation from transduction.

5. Answer any *two* of the following : 4 × 2

(a) In a generalised transduction system using *p1* phage, the donor is $\text{pur}^+ \text{nad}^+ \text{pdx}^-$ and the recipient is $\text{pur}^- \text{nad}^- \text{pdx}^+$. The donor allele pur^+ is initially selected after transduction, and 50 pur^+ transductants are then scored for the other alleles present. The results follow :

Genotype	Number of colorie
$\text{nad}^+ \text{pdx}^+$	3
$\text{nad}^+ \text{pdx}^-$	10
$\text{nad}^- \text{pdx}^+$	24
$\text{nad}^- \text{pdx}^-$	13
	50

- (i) What is the cotransduction frequency for *pur* and *nad* ?
- (ii) What is the cotransduction frequency for *pur* and *pdx* ?

- (b) Consider the following genetic map showing 12 identifiable mutational sites :

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12

One special mutant D1 fails to give rII^+ recombinant when crossed with mutants 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, ; Another special mutant D2 fails to give rII^+ recombinant when crossed with 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12. A third mutant D3 that gives rII^+ recombinant when crossed with D1 but not when crossed with D2. Define the areas of the gene and mention where D1, D2 and D3 lies.

- (c) Draw a complementation map from the given complementation matrix for some of the mutant genes at the *his-3* locus on Neurospora first chromosome.

	CD16	245	261	D566	1438
CD16	O	O	O	O	O
245	O	+	+	+	
261			O	+	+
D566				O	O
1438					O

O = no complementation

+ = complementation

- (d) In a London population of cat, Searle scored both males and females for the yellow genotype and found the following.

Females — $\frac{+/+}{277}$ $\frac{+/y}{54}$ $\frac{y/y}{7}$

Males — 311 42

What are the gene frequencies (p and q) and genotype frequencies in male and female of the cat population?

6. Answer any *one* question from the following : 8 × 1

(a) Hutt collected the following data from the families of Cornell University veterinary students.

<u>Mating</u>	Number of offsprings	
	Tasters	Nontasters
taster × taster	654	76
taster × non-taster	354	205
non-taster × non-taster	7(?)	98

Calculate whether this population is in equilibrium with respect to genotypic frequencies.

(b) (i) In a phage a set of delations is inter-crossed pairwise combination. The following results are obtained. + indicate wild type recombinant obtained and – indicate no recombinant obtained. 5

	1	2	3	4	5
1	-	+	-	+	-
2	+	-	+	+	-
3	-	+	-	-	-
4	+	+	-	-	+
5	-	-	-	+	-

Construct a deletion map. If this was a complementation map instead of a deletion map, how many discrete complementation region would be indicated ?

- (ii) An autosomal recessive condition affects 1 in 10,000 in a randomly mating population. What is the approximate frequency of carriers in this population? Calculate allele frequency and genotype frequency in this case.

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[Internal Assessment – 10 Marks]
