Time: 3 Hours Total Marks: 100

#### **SECTION I**

All questions are compulsory. (40 marks)
Select the most appropriate answer from the alternatives provided for each of the following

- 1. In higher plants, cytochrome c is typically located in
  - a) Plasma membrane
  - b) Chloroplasts
  - c) Mitochondria
  - d) Cytoplasm
- 2. Ames test is performed to detect:
  - a) Mutagen
  - b) pH
  - c) Nutrient stress
  - d) Salinity
- 3. Amino acids responsible for N-linked and O-linked glycosylation of proteins are:
  - a) Aspargine and Aspartic acid
  - b) Glutamine and serine
  - c) Glutamic acid and serine
  - d) Aspargine and Threonine
- 4. An increase in some phenomenon at a constant rate over a specified time period.
  - a) Geometric growth
  - b) Exponential
  - c) Arithmetic growth
  - d) Nonlinear
- 5. Which of the following plant hormones is incorrectly paired with its function?
  - a) Cytokinin promotes senescence
  - b) Gibberellin stimulates seed germination
  - c) Abscisic acid promotes seed and bud dormancy
  - d) Ethylene -promotes fruit ripening
- 6. Which of the following factor is least responsible for genetic drift?
  - a) Migration
  - b) Founder effect
  - c) Bottleneck phenomenon
  - d) Restriction of resources
- 7. Positive selection of T cells ensures:
  - a) Self tolerance
  - b) MHC restriction
  - c) TCR engagements
  - d) Activation by co-stimulatory signals

- 8. The role of urea in PAGE separation of DNA is to:
  - a) Act as anion
  - b) Act as cation
  - c) Helps to denature the DNA
  - d) Provide buffer stability of the gel
- 9. Which of the following membrane lipid constituent can be considered as the lipid marker of inner mitochondrial membrane?
  - a) Lecithin
  - b) Cardiolipin
  - c) Ceramide
  - d) Sphingo-ceramide
- 10. Which of the following is a mobile electron carrier in the mitochondrial electron transport system?
  - a) NADH dehydrogenase
  - b) FADH debydrogenase
  - c) Ubiquinone
  - d) Succinate dehydrogenase
- 11. A Researcher would like to monitor changes in the level of serum protein for which the antibody is available. Which one of the following method is suited for the purpose?
  - a) Immunofluorescence Microscopy
  - b) Fluorescence In Situ Hybridization
  - c) Enzyme linked Immunosorbent Assay
  - d) Fluorescence Activated Cell Sorting
- 12. In stomach, the mucous which protects the epithelial lining of the stomach, is secreted by:
  - a) Parietal cells
  - b) Microvilli
  - c) Goblet cells
  - d) Acinar cells
- 13. Bacterial DNA polymerase I lacks which of the following activity?
  - a)  $5' \rightarrow 3'$  polymerase activity
  - b) 3' → 5' polymerase activity
  - c) 5' → 3' exonuclease activity
  - d) 3' → 5' exonuclease activity
- 14. A cross between a red eyed male fly and a white eyed female fly produces red eyed female and white eyed male progenies. Whilse a reciprocal cross produces all offspring with red eyes. The trait for eye colour is:
  - a) Sex linked trait
  - b) Sex influenced trait

- c) Sex linked homogametic male
- d) Sex linked heterogametic male
- 15. The nucleolus is chemically composed of
  - a) RNA, DNA and protein
  - b) RNA and protein only
  - c) DNA and protein only
  - d) Nucleic acids, proteins and phospholipids
- 16. Globular proteins when treated with organic solvents get denatured. The main interaction which is affected on treatment with organic solvent is:
  - a) Hydrogen bonds
  - b) Covalent bonds
  - c) Hydrophobic interactions
  - d) Ionic interactions
- 17. Homologous structures are:
  - a) Anatomically similar and functioning similarly
  - b) Anatomically similar but performing different functions
  - c) Anatomically different but performing similar functions
  - d) Anatomically different and functioning differently
- 18. Alkaptonuria is an inherited metabolic disorder caused by
  - a) Tyrosinase
  - b) Homogentisic acid
  - c) Phenylalanine hydroxylase
  - d) Tryptophan synthetase
- 19. Which of the following is translocated in the phloem?
  - a) Sucrose
  - b) D-Glucose
  - c) D-mannose
  - d) D-fructose
- 20. Which of the following is an example of a trisaccharide?
  - a) Verbascose
  - b) Stachyose
  - c) Raffinose
  - d) Sucralose
- 21. DNA repair mechanism is absent in:
  - a) Nuclear genome
  - b) Mitochondrial genome
  - c) Chloroplast genome
  - d) Both 2 and 3

- 22. Allosteric inhibition of an enzyme involves which of the following?
  - a) Binding of an inhibitor to a site other than the substrate binding site
  - b) Binding of an inhibitor competitively to the substrate binding site
  - c) Binding of an inhibitor noncompetitively to the substrate binding site
  - d) Cooperative binding of substrate to an enzyme with four or more subunits
- 23. Drugs that either stabilize or depolymerize microtubules can be used in cancer chemotherapy. Which of the following is correct concerning such drugs?
  - a) They prevent chromatin condensation.
  - b) They prevent movement of tumor cells into other tissues.
  - c) They interfere with mitosis.
  - d) They interfere with endocytosis
- 24. Which of the following will result if the level of potassium ions in a solution bathing a nerve cell is raised tenfold while the cell is at its resting state?
  - a) The decrease in the normal K+ gradient will cause partial depolarization.
  - b) The amplification of the normal K+ gradient will cause partial hyperpolarization.
  - c) The added extracellular K+ will accelerate Na+/K+ pumping and cause partial depolarization.
  - d) The elevated K+ will promote Ca2+ channel opening and produce partial hyperpolarization.
- 25. Crossing over between non-sister chromatids along with exchange of material takes place during
  - a) Diplotene
  - b) Pachytene
  - c) Zygotene
  - d) Diakinensis
- 26. For a double stranded DNA molecule, which one of the following base-ratios will always be equal to 1
  - a) (A + T) / (G + C)
  - b) (A + G) / (T + C)
  - c) C/T
  - d) G / A
- 27. Exogenous antigens bind strongly with
  - a) Class I MHC molecules
  - b) Class II MHC molecules
  - c) CD 3
  - d) CD 4
- 28. The water vapour present in a unit volume of air is called :
  - a) Relative humidity
  - b) Static humidity
  - c) Absolute humidity
  - d) Total humidity

- 29. Active transport is uniquely characterized by:
  - a) Transport of cholesterol
  - b) Transport of a molecule into the cell when the concentration of the molecule is higher outside the cell than inside the cell.
  - c) Transport of a molecular that requires the cell to extend energy to drive a thermodynamically unfavorable process.
  - d) Transport of a molecular that is a needed metabolite in the cell
  - e) Transport of a molecular that is a toxic waste product.
- 30. A human cell containing 22 autosomes and a Y chromosome is
  - a) a sperm
  - b) an egg
  - c) a somatic cell of a female
  - d) a somatic cell of a male
- 31. Which sequence represents increasing levels of chromosomal organization, from most dispersed to most condensed?
  - a) nucleosomes -30 nm filaments-supercoiled loops mitotic chromosomes
  - b) nucleosomes supercoiled loops 30 nm filaments- mitotic chromosomes
  - c) nucleosomes -30 nm filaments- mitotic chromosomes -supercoiled loops
  - d) mitotic chromosomes -30 nm filaments-supercoiled loops nucleosomes
- 32. Which of the following cell junctions is responsible for metabolic coupling?
  - a) Tight junction
  - b) Gap junction
  - c) Adherens junction
  - d) Desmosome
- 33. What is the probability of drawing an ace from a bunch of playing cards?
  - a) 1/10
  - b) 1/13
  - c) 1/52
  - d) 1/4
- 34. Which one of the following is not considered as a part of the endomembrane system?
  - a) Vacuole
  - b) Lysosome
  - c) Golgi body
  - d) Peroxisome
- 35. Hydra shows morphallactic regeneration and involves which one of the following signal transduction pathway in its axis formation?
  - a) Wnt/β catenin pathway
  - b) Retinoic acid pathway
  - c) FGF pathway
  - d) Delta Notch pathway

- 36. Which is the enzyme responsible for replication of the genome of AIDS virus
  - a) Ligases
  - b) Reverse Transcriptase
  - c) Restriction endonuclease
  - d) Polymerase
- 37. Isomers of a substance have the same
  - a) Empirical formula
  - b) Structural formula
  - c) Physical Properties
  - d) Chemical properties.
- 38. A command file is actually a
  - a) Database
  - b) Computer memory
  - c) Computer program
  - d) Micro substitution.
- 39. Membrane carrier proteins differ from membrane channel proteins by which of the following characteristics?
  - a) Carrier proteins transport molecules down their electrochemical gradient, while channel proteins transport molecules against their electrochemical gradient.
  - b) Carrier proteins can mediate active transport, while channel proteins cannot.
  - c) Carrier proteins do not bind to the material transported, while channel proteins do.
  - d) Carrier proteins are synthesized on free cytoplasmic ribosomes, while channel proteins are synthesized on ribosomes bound to the endoplasmic reticulum
- 40. The enzyme reverse transcriptase is useful in the generation of cDNA libraries for which of the following reasons?
  - a) It is sensitive to high temperatures and so can be readily "killed" by heat treatment when the reaction is completed.
  - b) It does not require a primer to initiate polymerization as do most DNA polymerases.
  - c) It is insensitive to high temperatures and so can survive the many cycles of heating required to perform the polymerase chain reaction.
  - d) It is an RNA-dependent DNA polymerase.

# **SECTION II**

### Attempt ANY THREE of the following

(30 marks)

- 1. What is the Major Histocompatibility Complex? Describe its organization and importance in immune responses
- 2. Give the principle of ELISA test and give its applications.

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3. The scores of two batsmen A and B in ten innings during a certain season are :

Α	32	28	47	63	71	39	10	60	96	14
В	19	31	48	53	67	90	10	62	40	80

Find (using coefficient of variation) which of the two batsmen, A or B, is more consistent in scoring

- 4. Draw a neat labeled diagram to show the various parts of the eye.
- 5. What are the challenges you foresee while developing a drug from a plant known for his medicinal value?

### **SECTION III**

# Attempt ANY TWO of the following;

(30 marks)

- 1. Explain kinetics of enzyme catalyzed reactions with respect to the Michaelis Menten kinetics
- 2. Enumerate various renewable energy resources and add a note on biofuels.
- 3. List five natural plant growth regulators. Write a note on the physiological functions and agricultural/horticultural applications of any two of them.
- 4. What are genetically modified organisms? Using a suitable example describe any one GMO and give its importance.