

Please check whether you have got the right question paper.

- N.B:
1. Attempt all questions.
  2. All questions carry equal marks.
  3. Draw neat labeled diagrams wherever necessary.

Q.1 a. Explain the following terms **(any three)**: (03)

- i) Minimal medium
- ii) Competent cell
- iii) Helper phage
- iv) Homoallelic mutation
- v) Non-permissive host
- vi) Transducing phage

Q.1 b. Attempt the following **(any two)**: (12)

- i) Diagrammatically describe specialised transduction.
- ii) Conjugation and interrupted mating allow mapping of large chromosome fragments. Justify.
- iii) Describe 'Cis-trans test'
- iv) What is an F' (*lac*)? How is it formed?

Q.2 a. Do as directed **(Any three)**: (03)

- i) \_\_\_\_\_ is a 162 base pair region found between the promoter-operator region and *trpE*.
- ii) Explain the term allosteric shift.
- iii) Give the role of Rec A protein in induction of lytic pathway in phage  $\lambda$ .
- iv) State the significance of *lacI<sup>Q</sup>* and *lacI<sup>SQ</sup>* mutants.
- v) What are non-autonomous elements?
- vi) Give an example of a composite transposon.

Q.2 b. Discuss the following: **(Any two)**: (12)

- i) Regulation of *lac* operon through catabolite repression.
- ii) Early transcription events in phage  $\lambda$ .
- iii) Cis -dominant mutations.
- iv) Integration of an IS element into chromosomal DNA.

Q.3 a. Do as instructed **(Any three)**: (03)

- i) State the significance of YAC vectors.
- ii) What are expression vectors?
- iii) State the importance of phagemid vectors.
- iv) Name the enzyme which uses RNA as template to synthesize DNA.
- v) What is Homopolymer tailing?
- vi) State an application of alkaline phosphatase.

Q.3 b. Give an account of **(any two)**: (12)

- i) 'Blue white selection' in recombinant DNA technology.
- ii) Applications of type II restriction enzymes in cloning.
- iii) Advantages and drawbacks of pBR322 vector.
- iv) Mode of action and sources of DNA ligase.

Q.4 a. Explain the following: **(Any three):** (03)

- i) Genomic library
- ii) Autoradiography
- iii) Heterologous probe
- iv) Plaque lift
- v) Partial Digestion of DNA
- vi) cDNA

Q.4 b. Answer the following **(any two):** (12)

- i) Explain the screening of lambda genomic library
- ii) Give an account of Nick translation method.
- iii) Diagrammatically explain cDNA synthesis.
- iv) How would you create a rDNA molecule?

Q.5 Write short notes on **(any three):** (15)

- i) Restriction mapping
- ii) Use of linker in construction of library
- iii) Life cycle of a lambda phage
- iv) Cointegration model for transposition of a transposable element.
- v) Molecular model for attenuation
- vi) Reverse transcriptase

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