

FOURTH SEMESTER M.Sc. DEGREE EXAMINATION, JULY 2009

General Biotechnology (Main)

GBT-215—GENETIC ENGINEERING

Time : Three Hours

Maximum : 80 Marks

Section A*Answer any **two** questions.*

1. What is DNA profiling ? How it is used as a molecular marker and mention its application in disease prognosis and animal husbandry.
2. Emphasis on production methodology on (1) Insect resistance ; (2) Nematode resistance ; (3) Disease resistant ; (4) Stress resistant.
3. What are the physical and biological methods of gene transfer ? Write a detailed account on it.

(2 X 10 = 20 marks)

Section B*Answer any **ten** questions.*

4. Explain the techniques used to increase shelf life of fruits and flowers.
5. Write on the transformation methods for monocots.
6. Differentiate R_i and T_i plasmid. Give the structure for both.
7. What is DNA microarray technology ? Explain.
8. How will you produce a transgenic animal ? Explain in correspondence with gene knockout techniques.
9. Explain genetic map of a genome and the techniques used.
10. RFLP and RAPD are the techniques used as the tools for molecular marker analysis of genome. Justify.
11. Write a brief account on processing of r proteins.
12. What are expression vectors. Give an example of mammalian expression with its strategies.
13. How primer extension RNase protection and northern analysis are used in the study of gene regulation ?
14. What is nested PCR. Explain the primer designing strategy for it.
15. Explain the chemical method of DNA sequencing.

(10 x 5 = 50 marks)

Turn over

Section C

Answer all questions.

16. Dolly.
17. Importance of *lux* gene.
18. Cryopreservation.
19. Mt DNA.
20. 35S promoter.

(5 x 2 = 10 marks)