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BIOTECHNOLOGY & BIOMEDICAL ENGINEERING

Time Allotted: 3 Hours Full Marks: 70

The figures in the margin indicate full marks.

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

GROUP - A

(Multiple Choice Type Questions)

1. Choose the correct alternatives for any ten of the following:

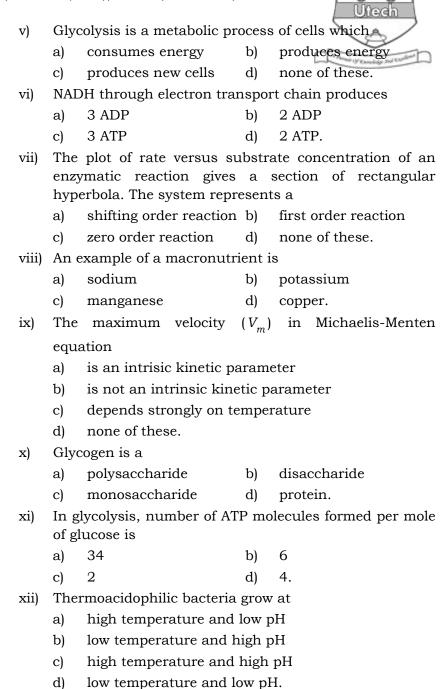
 $10 \times 1 = 10$ i) Prokaryotes are those organisms which do not contain cell wall a) b) ribosome c) DNA d) nucleus. Plant cells are unique in their build up as eukaryotes ii) which possess cell wall a) b) aflatoxin pilli none of these. c) d) Bacteria multiply by a process known as iii) asexual reproduction b) sexual reproduction a) c) binary fission d) none of these. Protozoa are microorganisms fall under the group of iv) prokaryotes eukaryotes a) b) cyanobacteria blue-green algae.

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d)

c)

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GROUP - B

2.

(Short Answer Type Questions)

Answer any three of the following.

- What are amino acids? Describe their zwitterionic structure
- and explain the term iso-electric point. 1 + 2 + 23. Derive the rate equation of a substrate uninhibited enzymatic reaction using steady state assumption of Briggs-Halden theory.
- 4. Define catabolism and anabolism. Using a schematic diagram describe the glycolysis process.
- 5. How the concentration of substrate can be evaluated at the surface of the matrix for an immobilized enzyme reaction when external diffusion controls the process?
- 6. Find the concentration of substrate at the maximum rate of cell growth when the system follows the Monods equation.

GROUP - C (Long Answer Type Questions)

Answer any *three* of the following. $3 \times 15 = 45$

- 7. Discuss in detail the different methods used for a) evaluating the kinetic parameters of Michaelis Menten equation. Why is direct data fit method superior to other methods?
 - b) The following data have been obtained for two different initial enzyme concentrations for an enzyme-catalyzed reaction:

Substrate concentration, (gm/litre)	20.0	10.0	6.7	5.0	4.0	3.3	2.9	2.5
Rate (g/l -min) with $C_{E0} = 0.015$ gm/litre	1·14	0.87	0.70	0.59	0.50	0.44	0.39	0.35
Rate (g/ l -min) with C_{E0} = 0.00875 gm/litre	0.67	0.51	0.41	0.34	0.29	×	×	×

Find the intrinsic kinetic parameters of Michaelis and Menten equation by Hanes-Woolfs method.

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8. a) Show schematically the mechanism of oxygen transport from a gas bubble to the reaction site inside the individual cells and describe each step in this process.

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- b) Derive the relationship between the overall mass transfer coefficient based on liquid phase (K_l) and the gas (k_g) and liquid film (k_l) coefficients for the case of oxygen transfer from gas bubble to cells. Under what condition K_l and k_l are identical?
- c) Write a short note on Bubble Column Reactor.
- Discuss briefly different models used to characterize non ideal flow in bioreactor and briefly describe any one of them.
 What is the significance of vessel dispersion number ?
 Sketch the response curves for random input, cyclic input, step input and pulse input perturbations.
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- 10. Derive an equation for internal mass-transfer resistance for immobilized enzyme. What is Damköhler Number and what is its significance? What is effectiveness factor? Describe the process of intraparticle diffusive mass-transfer of immobilized enzyme and hence define the first order rate kinetics for immobilized enzymes. Name a few natural and synthetic supports for immobilized enzymes.

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- 11. Write short notes on any *three* of the following: 3×5
 - a) Reverse osmosis
 - b) Gas Chromatography
 - c) Fed-batch bioreactor
 - d) Monod equation
 - e) Logarithmic growth of microbes.

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