Indian Institute of Technology (IIT) Delhi Department of Biochemical Engineering and Biotechnology

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MAJOR TEST

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Time = 2 hours

Max. Marks = 40

Answer all the questions

Question #	Question	Marks
1	a) Discuss the salient features of the human genome as put forth by the IHGSC with respect to the evolution, repeats and GC content.	(4)
	b) Define the process of genome annotation. Why is it necessary to annotate genome sequences?	(3)
	c) In an EST project, how does the kind of information that comes from 5'-sequencing differ from 3'-sequencing? Results coming out of EST projects are said to be "low quality, but very informative". What does this mean?	(3)
2	a) How will you detect SNPs and describe the implications of SNPs.	(3)
	b) What is the difference between an ortholog and a paralog? If you did a BLAST search with a sequence from species "A" and found several "hits" from species "B", how might you decide which are orthologous and which are paralogous?	(3)
	c) What is chain-terminator sequencing reaction? Describe the outcome of a chain-terminator sequencing procedure in which (i) too little ddNTP is added (ii) too much ddNTP is added (iii) too few primers are present (iv) too many primers are present.	(4)
3	a) What are the differences between open and close column chromatography? Explain with examples.	(4)
,	b) What kind of chromatographic techniques should be used for the high through put protein purification and checking of purity of protein molecules? Explain with justifications.	(4)
4	a) What should be the level of purity of the protein molecules for carrying out X-Ray crystallography, NMR spectroscopy, Mass spectrometric analysis, CD and fluorescence spectroscopy on them? Explain with proper justifications.	(6)
	b) Explain the basic principle of N-terminal amino acid sequence analysis of the protein molecules. Explain the protein sequence analysis using Mass spectrometry based method.	(6)