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Department of Biochemistry and Molecular Biology
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Course No. : **BMB -322** Course Title: **Molecular Biology-I**
Credit: **3.0** Total Marks: **70** Time: **3 Hours**

Instructions:

- Number in the right side indicates the marks of the question.
- Marks for each question are same.
- Answer any two (2) questions from each Part (A and B).

PART-A

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| 1. | a) | Discuss the structural features of Watson-Crick proposed DNA model. | 4.0 |
| | b) | Write down the importance of the Watson-Crick proposal. | 3.0 |
| | c) | Show the H-bonding among purine and pyrimidine bases in a double stranded DNA. | 3.0 |
| | d) | Write down the functions of different RNAs. | 5.0 |
| | e) | Briefly discuss the secondary structure of RNA. | 2.5 |
| 2. | a) | What is DNA supercoiling? Mathematically explain the supercoiling of DNA. | 3.0 |
| | b) | Explain the roles of topoisomerases on supercoiled DNA. | 2.5 |
| | c) | What is Cot value? How will you calculate the complexity of an organism? | 4.0 |
| | d) | Briefly discuss the complexity of eukaryotic genome. | 4.0 |
| | e) | Justify that-"Repeated DNA having both coding and non coding function." | 4.0 |
| 3. | a) | What are the roles of RNA primers and Okazaki fragments during DNA replication? | 2.0 |
| | b) | Justify that DNA replication proceeds bidirectionally. | 3.0 |
| | c) | "DNA synthesis in a 5' to 3' direction is semi-discontinuous". - Justify. | 3.5 |
| | d) | How the prokaryotic DNA replication is initiated? | 3.5 |
| | e) | Summarize and compare the properties of DNA polymerase-I, II, III. | 3.0 |
| | f) | Demonstrate the AlkB dependent direct repair system. | 2.5 |

PART-B

4.
 - a) What is genetic code? Discuss the Wobble hypothesis with experimental evidence. 4.0
 - b) Write down the synthetic mechanism of amino acyl-tRNA. 3.0
 - c) "Shine Dalgarno sequence helps recruit the ribosome to the mRNA to initiate protein synthesis."- Justify. 2.5
 - d) Discuss the following types of posttranslational modification with example: 6.0
 - (i) Attachment of carbohydrate side chain.
 - (ii) Addition of prosthetic group.
 - (iii) Proteolytic processing.
 - (iv) Formation of di-sulfide linkage.
 - e) Discuss the role of chaperone protein in protein targeting. 2.0
5.
 - a) How is transcription initiation controlled in bacterial cell? 2.0
 - b) Give a step-by-step description of the process of transcription. 6.0
 - c) What is promoter? Discuss the role of promoter on DNA transcription regulation? 4.0
 - d) What is the relevance of intron and exon sequences with respect to the final mRNA formation in eukaryotic posttranscriptional processing? 2.5
 - e) Discuss the structure and function of RNA polymerases (RNAPs). 3.0
6.
 - a) Discuss the adsorption chromatography method for DNA extraction. 3.0
 - b) What are the essential components of a PCR used to amplify a specific sequence of DNA? 1.5
 - c) Outline the steps in a PCR cycle and write down the application of PCR technique in molecular Biology. 5.0
 - d) What is pyrosequencing? Discuss the method with its advantages and limitations. 4.0
 - e) Explain the principle and method of DNA sequencing by Sanger Dideoxy method. 4.0