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MARCH/APRIL 2016 EXAMINATION

SCHOOL OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

COURSE CODE: BIO 305
COURSE TITLE: MOLECULAR BIOLOGY **CREDIT UNIT:** 2

TIME: 2 HOURS

INSTRUCTION: ANSWER QUESTION ONE (1) AND ANY OTHER THREE (3) QUESTIONS

- 1ai. what is molecular biology. (3 marks)
- ii. Describe the structures of DNA. (8 marks)
- bi. Outline the important features of glycolysis. (6 marks)
- ii. Give a detailed description of hormonal control of gene-expression. (8 marks)

- 2a. Describe the process of oxidative phosphorylation. (7 marks)
- b. Give an account of any two methods of determining DNA sequences. (8 marks)

- 3a. what is DNA sequencing? (3 marks)
- b. Write **short notes** on each of the following:
 - (i) chromosome number (4 marks)
 - (ii) sex chromosomes (4 marks)
 - (iii) a cistron (4 marks)

- 4a. Summarize the roles of DNA and RNA (5 marks)
- b. Describe with examples and illustrations the human genetic disorders. (10 marks)

- 5a. Account for the fact that *E. coli* is used as an experimental model in molecular biology. (6 marks)
- b. Write **short notes** on each of the following:
 - i. promoter clearance (3 marks)
 - ii. chain elongation (3 marks)
 - iii. termination of transcription. (3 marks)

- 6a. Outline the major components of a nucleotide. (5 marks)
- b. With the help of a **good illustration**, describe the central dogma. (10 marks)

