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Semester V

Class : III UG

Major: Biochemistry & Biotechnology

Time: 2 hours

Max. marks: 60

~~23BBG05~~ **Genetics and Molecular Biology**

Course Outcomes: ~~23BBG05~~ **23BBCC05**

CO1: Understand the key concepts of Classical Mendelian genetics, its deviations and relationship between genotype and phenotype

CO2: Comprehend the knowledge on mutations, variations in chromosomes, concepts of genetic recombination and population genetics

CO3: Appreciate the intricate molecular mechanisms of the various steps in replication, transcription and translation

CO4: Gain insight into the molecular mechanism of DNA damage, repair and recombination

CO5: Acquire knowledge on the regulation of gene expression

Part A

6 x 1 = 6

Choose the correct answer

- In a monohybrid cross, If both genotype and phenotype shows the same ratios of 1:2:1 in the F₂ generation, it shows CO1K2
 - incomplete dominance
 - co-dominance
 - complete dominance
 - dihybrid cross
- The genotype of blood group 'O' is CO1K3
 - I^AI^B
 - I^BI^B
 - IⁱIⁱ
 - I^AI^A
- Which of the following histone is responsible for stability of chromosomes? CO1K3
 - H2A
 - H3
 - H4
 - H1
- In prokaryotes, the RNA primer from the lagging strand is removed and replaced by the DNA sequence. This process is catalyzed by CO3:K3
 - DNA Polymerase I
 - DNA Polymerase II
 - DNA Polymerase III
 - DNA polymerase IV
- If Meselson and Stahl's experiment is continued for sixth generations in bacteria, the ratio of Heavy strands ¹⁵N/¹⁵N: Hybrid ¹⁵N/¹⁴N : light ¹⁴N/¹⁴N containing DNA in the sixth generation would be CO3:K5
 - 1:1:1
 - 0:1:7
 - 0:1:15
 - 0:1:31
- Which direction does DNA polymerase read the template strand during replication? CO3:K2
 - 3' to 5' direction
 - 5' to 3' direction
 - Bidirectional
 - Unidirectional

Part B

3 x 6 = 18

Answer the following.

Answers should not exceed 200 words or one page

- (a). How is Mendelian genetics applied in Humans? Explain CO1K2

(Or)
- (b) In jimsonweed, purple flowers are dominant to white. Suppose a jimsonweed plant homozygous for purple is crossed with one homozygous for white. Determine the appearance of CO1K3
 - the F₁ flowers,
 - the F₂ flowers
 - the offspring of a cross of the F₁ plants back to the purple parent
 - the offspring of a cross of the F₁ weed plants back to the white parent.

8. (a) Give a short account on lethal genes, pleiotropy and penetrance **CO1K3**
(Or)
8. (b) How did Hershey and Chase differentiate between DNA and protein in their experiment while proving that DNA is the genetic material? Explain **CO3: K4**
9. (a) Illustrate the Meselson and Stahl Experiment. What did this experiment prove? **CO3: K4**
(Or)
9. (b) Discuss the unique feature of eukaryotic chromosome replication. **CO3:K2**

Part C

3 x 12 = 36

Answer the following not exceeding 700 words or four pages

10. (a) Explain the Mendelian law of dominance and independent assortment with suitable examples **CO1K2**
(Or)
10. (b) Elaborate the structure of chromosomes with solenoid model **CO2K3**
11. (a) Discuss the following with suitable examples and punnet squares
i) incomplete dominance ii) codominance iii) Multiple genes **CO1:K3**
(Or)
11. (b) Describe the structure of nucleotide and nucleoside. Explain the different forms of DNA with a neat diagram. **CO3:K3**
12. (a) Explain the various stages involved in DNA replication in prokaryotes with specific reference to the primosome and replisome complex. **CO3:K2**
(Or)
12. (b) Discuss the different models of DNA repair mechanism with a neat diagram **CO4:K3**

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