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M.Sc. (Bio-Technology) Second Semester  
MBIO-201: Molecular Biology

Time allowed: 3 Hours

Max. Marks: 80

**NOTE:** Attempt five questions in all, including Question No. 1 which is compulsory and selecting two questions from each Unit. All questions carry equal marks.

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I. Attempt the following:-

- a) What was the experiment by Avery et al. What did they interpret from this experiment?
- b) Draw A-T base pairing
- c) Differentiate between initiation of transcription in eukaryotic and prokaryotic transcription
- d) What is the role of Tu in translation?
- e) Explain why a map is a useful aid to genome sequencing.
- f) Write in brief about application of RFLP in disease prognosis.
- g) What is hammer head ribozyme? Explain.
- h) How was it determined that the human genome contains counterparts to the oncogenes found in retroviruses?

**UNIT – I**

- II.
  - a) The major groove of B-DNA is rich in chemical information. Explain.
  - b) Describe the factors that contribute to the high fidelity of DNA replication.
  - c) Discuss three different properties of DNA polymerase I
- III.
  - a) What is an Okazaki fragment and what is its biological significance?
  - b) Write in brief about Holiday junction and Cre/Lox recombination.

**UNIT – II**

- IV.
  - a) What is the nature of a promoter sequence in prokaryotes and why is it important? What would be the likely effect of a mutation that would prevent sigma from dissociating from the RNA polymerase core?
  - b) Discuss in brief the post-transcriptional modifications of eukaryotic RNA.
- V.
  - a) How do prokaryotes and eukaryotes differ in mechanism for selecting an AUG codon as a start for polypeptide synthesis? Discuss the initiation process in detail
  - b) What is meant by post-translational modification of proteins?

**UNIT – III**

- VI.
  - a) Discuss the different molecular mechanisms that have been shown to activate the expression of human oncogenes.
  - b) What role is played by the retinoblastoma and p53 tumor suppressor gene in controlling the onset of cancer?

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- VII. a) What is antisense technology? What are its medical applications?  
 b) What is the difference between antisense technology and RNAi technology for the knock down the expression of a gene?

#### UNIT – IV

- VIII. Distinguish between 'genetic mapping' and 'physical mapping'. What are the strengths and weaknesses of the two techniques?  
 a) What is FISH and how is it used to construct a physical map?  
 b) Explain the basis of sequence tagged site (STS) mapping, and list the various DNA sequences that can be used as STSs.
- IX. a) Differentiate between Sanger's method of sequencing and next generation sequencing.  
 b) What is YEC? Explain the method for construction of YAC library in detail.

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