

PG Even Semester (CBCS) Exam., May—2018

LIFE SCIENCE AND BIOINFORMATICS

( 4th Semester )

Course No. : LSBCC-402

*Full Marks : 70*

*Pass Marks : 28*

*Time : 3 hours*

*The figures in the margin indicate full marks  
for the questions*

Botany Students will answer from LSBCC-402 (B) and  
Zoology Students will answer from LSBCC-402 (Z)

( For Botany Students )

Course No. : LSBCC-402 (B)

( **MOLECULAR GENETICS AND  
PLANT BREEDING** )

1. (a) What do you mean by histone protein?  
Write briefly about different classes of  
histone protein with specific functions.  
2+4=6

- (b) Briefly discuss about the series of  
events regarding elucidation of fine  
structure of gene. 5
- (c) Add a note on overlapping gene with  
example. 3

**OR**

2. (a) Elaborate on the processes involved in  
the conversion of a primary transcript to  
mature mRNA. 7
- (b) Using specific example, explain the  
functional significance of post-  
translational modifications. 7
3. (a) What is linkage map? How are they  
constructed? 2+5=7
- (b) Two genes A and B are linked. The other  
homologous chromosome contains their  
*a* and *b* allele. Give combination of  
alleles in gametes with or without  
crossing-over. 3
- (c) What is multiple allele? If father is of  
blood group A and mother of blood  
group AB, then what would be the  
percentage of children with blood group  
A? Justify your answer. 1+3=4

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OR

4. (a) What do you mean by microsatellites and minisatellites? Add a note on different types of microsatellite markers in plants. Write the importance of SSR markers in plant genomic studies.

2+4+3=9

- (b) With specific example, explain how DNA methylation can affect gene expression. 5

5. (a) With suitable model, explain auxin-regulated gene expression in plants. 7

- (b) Explain molecular events in transcription of light-regulated genes. 7

OR

6. (a) Explain the following terminologies in connection with RNA interference : 3×3=9

(i) DICER

(ii) SiRNA

(iii) RISC

- (b) With suitable sketches, explain plastid inheritance in *Mirabilis jalapa*. 5

7. (a) Differentiate between qualitative and quantitative traits. Write a note on different types of quantitative trait with examples. 2+3=5

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- (b) Write about the components of phenotypic variation ( $V_p$ ). 5

- (c) What do you mean by broad-sense heritability ( $h^2B$ ) and narrow-sense heritability ( $h^2N$ )? 4

OR

8. (a) Explain Hardy-Weinberg law of genetic equilibrium with example. How is genetic equilibrium balanced in a population? 4+3=7

- (b) The frequency of two alleles in gene pool is 0.19 (A) and 0.81 (a). Assume that the population is in Hardy-Weinberg equilibrium.

(i) Calculate the percentage of homozygous recessives in the population.

(ii) Calculate the percentage of heterozygous individuals in the population.

(iii) Calculate the percentage of homozygous dominants in the population. 7

9. (a) Differentiate between heterosis and inbreeding depression. 2

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(b) Explain following terminologies :  $2 \times 3 = 6$

(i) Average heterosis

(ii) Heterobeltosis

(iii) Negative heterosis

(c) Explain dominance and overdominance hypotheses of heterosis. 6

**OR**

10. (a) What do you mean by heteromorphic and homomorphic self-incompatibilities? Write a note on homomorphic self-incompatibility.  $2+5=7$

(b) With suitable model, explain the mechanism of self-incompatibility in plants. 7

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( For Zoology Students )

Course No. : LSBCC-402 (Z)

**( ANIMAL PHYSIOLOGY )**

1. Describe the structure and function of hemoglobin with suitable diagrams. Write a note on sickle-cell anemia.  $10+4=14$

**OR**

2. Explain hemopoiesis with suitable diagrams. Write a detailed note on the cause and clinical aspect of thalassemia.  $10+4=14$

3. Write notes on the following :  $7+7=14$

(a) Gaseous exchange

(b) Organization of respiratory system

**OR**

4. Write, in detail, on the regulation of respiration with reference to neural and chemical controls. 14

5. Write notes on the following :  $7+7=14$

(a) Structure of nephron

(b) Water excretion

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**OR**

6. Write, in detail, on glomerular filtration.  
Describe the factors affecting the glomerular  
filtration rate. 10+4=14
7. Draw suitable diagrams and explain the  
structures and functions of various  
components of a neuron. 14

**OR**

8. Write notes on the following : 7+7=14  
(a) Action potential  
(b) Ultrastructure of skeletal muscle fibre
9. Write notes on the following : 7+7=14  
(a) Free radicals-reactive oxygen and  
reactive nitrogen species  
(b) Enzymatic and non-enzymatic  
antioxidant defense systems

**OR**

10. Write, in detail, on the basic mechanism of  
action of toxic agents and dose-response  
relationship. 14

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