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MASTER'S DEGREE (C.S.S) EXAMINATION, MARCH 2024 2022 ADMISSIONS REGULAR SEMESTER IV - Zoology ZO4E01TM20 - Molecular Biology

Time : 3 Hours Maximum Weight : 30

Part A

I. Answer any Eight questions. Each question carries 1 weight

(8x1=8)

- 1. What is linking number?
- 2. Write short notes on plasmid genome.
- 3. Compare the three models of replication.
- 4. Explain the importance of telomerase.
- 5. Write notes on Initial transcribing complex and Stable ternary complex.
- 6. Write notes on different regions of the sigma factor.
- 7. Write a short note on stability of DNA.
- 8. Define the terms (a) Hyperchromic shift (b) Hypochromic shift (c) Bathochromic shift (d) Hypsochromic shift.
- 9. Comment on accommodation.
- Write a note on ribosome recycling.

Part B

II. Answer any Six questions. Each question carries 2 weight

(6x2=12)

- 11. Compare the different types DNA.
- 12. Explain the chemistry of DNA replication.
- 13. Explain the mechanism of removal of primers from a newly synthesized DNA strand.
- 14. Explain the mechanisms involved in splicing of Group I and Group II introns.
- 15. Describe the types of proof reading mechanisms operating in prokaryotes.
- 16. Comment on RNAi.
- 17. What are riboswitches? Explain the mechanism.
- 18. Summarize the formation of 70S initiation complex during prokaryotic translation.

Part C

III. Answer any Two questions. Each question carries 5 weight

(2x5=10)

- 19. Write an essay on the different DNA repair mechanisms operating in prokaryotes and eukaryotes.
- 20. Write an essay on the mechanism of nuclear export of mRNA. Add a note on the mRNA stability.
- 21. Explain the regulation of gene expression in E.Coli taking Tryptophan operon as example.
- 22. Outline the major aspects of prokaryotic translation.

