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63/2 (SEM-1) BIT 103

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**BIOTECHNOLOGY**

(Theory Paper)

Paper Code : BIT-103

(Cell And Development Biology)

Full Marks – 80

Time – Three hours

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

1. Choose the correct answer : 1×8=8

(i) Which of the following microorganism have  
two nuclei ?

(a) Slime Molds

(b) Cyanobacteria

(c) Amoeba

(d) Paramecium

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(ii) Non-membrane bound body of the nucleus which disappears in the late prophase and reappears in telophase \_\_\_\_\_.

- (a) Nucleolus                      (b) Chromosome
- (c) Nucleoplasm                  (d) Nuclear pore

(iii) The histone octamer contains \_\_\_\_\_ of histones.

- (a) 4 types                          (b) 5 types
- (c) 6 types                          (d) 8 types

(iv) Microfilaments are composed of a protein called

- (a) Tubulin                          (b) Actin
- (c) Myosin                          (d) Chitin

(v) Lysosomes are known as "suicidal bags" because

- (a) Parasitic activity
- (b) Presence of food vacuole
- (c) Hydrolytic activity
- (d) Catalytic activity

(vi) The resting potential membrane is determined by

- (a) Potassium-ion gradient
- (b) Sodium-ion gradient
- (c) Bicarbonate-ion gradient
- (d) Chloride-ion gradient

(vii) Which cell organelle is involved in apoptosis ?

- (a) Lysosome                      (b) ER
- (c) Golgi                              (d) Mitochondria

(viii) The oxygen and carbon-dioxide crosses the plasma membrane by the process of

- (a) Active diffusion
- (b) Facilitated diffusion
- (c) Passive diffusion
- (d) Random diffusion.

2. Answer the following questions :                      2×6=12

- (a) What is the Endo-symbiotic theory represent ?
- (b) Write two functions of golgi bodies.
- (c) Define endocytosis and exocytosis.

- (d) What are integrins ?
- (e) What are haematopoietic stem cells ?
- (f) What are Cyclin Cdk complexes ?

3. Write short notes on any *four* of the following :  
5×4=20

- (a) The Cell Theory
- (b) Endo-membrane System
- (c) G-Protein Coupled Receptors
- (d) The Cell Cycle
- (e) Apoptosis
- (f) Gap Junctions.

4. Answer any *two* from the following :  
8×2=16

- (a) Explain briefly the structure of the plasma membrane. Outline the different functions performed by the plasma membrane.
- (b) How is the chromatin packaged inside the nucleus ? Give an account of the organization of the chromatin in the nucleus. Support your answer with relevant diagrams.

- (c) What are second messengers? Explain the mechanism of hormone action through  $\text{Ca}^{2+}$  and Phosphatidylinositol as the second messengers.

5. Answer any *two* from the following :  
12×2=24

- (a) Write an account on the structure and function of the nucleus. Also add notes on its components such as the nuclear envelope, nucleolus and lamina.
- (b) Give a brief account on the structural organization of the cell wall. Briefly discuss the formation of cell wall. Support your answer with suitable diagram.
- (c) Discuss the development of *Drosophila melanogaster* and how the genes control their development.