2021

BIOCHEMISTRY—HONOURS

Paper: CC-7

Full Marks: 50

The figures in the margin indicate full marks.

Candidates are required to give their answers in their own words as far as practicable.

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1. Answer <i>any five</i> questions:		

- (a) Define numerical aperture (NA) of a microscope.
- (b) How does confocal microscopy differ from fluorescence microscopy?
- (c) Mention two similarities between mitochondria and Rickettsia prowazekii.
- (d) What is Nuclear Localization Signal?
- (e) Differentiate between apoptosis and necrosis.
- (f) What is meant by secondary cell walls of plants?
- (g) What is the major function of cell matrix?
- (h) What is endocytosis?
- (i) What is ubiquitin?
- (j) How can you differentiate between a plant cell and an animal cell, under the microscope?

2. Answer any two questions:

(a) What is subcellular fractionation? How can you isolate mitochondria by using subcellular fractionation?

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- (b) What is retrograde transport of proteins? What is the role of COPI in protein transport?
- (c) What are the major functions of microfilaments? What is the major purpose of stairing the cells? 3+2
- (d) Why we get a greater magnification in electron microscope than in light microscope? How do eubacterial cell walls differ from that of archaea bacterial cell walls?

Unit-I

Answer any one question.

3. (a) What are RER and SER? State their functions? Why is the inner mitochondrial membrane highly invaginated? What are these invaginations called?

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- (b) Mention three structural components of a bacterial flagellum along with their function. Mention two uses of fluorescent microscopic technique. $\{(1+1)+(2+1)\}+3+2$
- **4.** (a) Do the number of Nuclear Pore Complex remain constant throughout the cell cycle? Justify your answer. How do peroxisome facilitate lipid metabolism? 2+3
 - (b) How do peroxisome facilitate processing of reactive oxygen species? What function chloroplasts display other than photosynthesis? (2+3)+ (2+3)

Unit-II

Answer any one question.

- **5.** (a) Schematically describe how actin proteins are polymerized.
 - (b) What is the major function of intermediate filament?
 - (c) Can the cytoskeleton change in response to the environment?
 - (d) Schematically describe how cytoskeleton helps in a ameoboid movement.

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- **6.** (a) What is the function of colchicine?
 - (b) What are the major functions of tight junctions?
 - (c) What are the focal adhesions?
 - (d) How do focal adhesions facilitate cell migration?

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Unit-III

Answer any one question.

- **7.** (a) Schematically describe the function of
 - (i) exportin and
 - (ii) importin in protein transport across nuclear pore complexes.
 - (b) What are the major functions of
 - (i) COP I
 - (ii) COP II and
 - (iii) Clathrin in protein transport

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- **8.** (a) Briefly describe significance of the check points in eukaryotic cell cycle.
 - (b) What is metaphase plate? What is linker DNA?
 - (c) What is the major function of cyclins?
 - (d) What is vesicle budding?

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