# M.Sc. DEGREE EXAMINATION, APRIL 2021

## Second Semester

# Microbiology

## **MICROBIAL GENETICS**

## (CBCS 2019 onwards)

Time : 3 Hours

Maximum : 75 Marks

 $(10 \times 2 = 20)$ 

Part A

Answer **all** questions.

- 1. Retrotransposons.
- 2. Junk DNA.
- 3. Apurinic site.
- 4. recA protein.
- 5. Inducible enzyme.
- 6. Corepressors.
- 7. F factor.
- 8. Resistance transfer factor.
- 9. Replicative recombination.
- 10. IHF protein.

#### Part B $(5 \times 5 = 25)$

Answer **all** questions, choosing either (a) or (b).

11. (a) Explain adaptive mutation and mutation rates.

 $\mathbf{Or}$ 

- (b) Discuss on detection of mutagen.
- 12. (a) How base excision repair alter the DNA?

Or

- (b) How liquid holding recovery is important in mutation?
- 13. (a) How tryptophan operon controlled by attenuation?

Or

- (b) Give an account on regulation of arabinose operon.
- 14. (a) Describe the properties of plasmid.

 $\mathbf{Or}$ 

- (b) Describe
  - (i) plasmid incompatibility.
  - (ii) plasmid amplification,
  - (iii) control of copy number.
- 15. (a) Summarize the mechanism of bacterial transformation.

Or

(b) Illustrate the mechanism of Holliday model for reciprocal general recombination.

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**Part C**  $(3 \times 10 = 30)$ 

Answer any **three** questions.

- 16. Give notes on mechanism of spontaneous mutation.
- 17. Write an essay on recombination and SOS repair process.
- 18. Illustrate the mechanism of gene induction and repression.
- 19. Write an essay on types of plasmid.
- 20. Give detailed notes on generalized and specialized transduction.

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# rDNA TECHNOLOGY

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Maximum : 75 Marks

**Part A**  $(10 \times 2 = 20)$ 

Answer **all** the questions.

- 1. Smal
- 2. 3'-5 exonuclease.
- 3. MCS.
- 4. PVDF.
- 5. T<sub>m</sub>
- 6. Beacon designer.
- 7. Eumelanin
- 8. Hydrocortisone.
- 9. Histone modificaion.
- 10. Dicer.

**Part B** (5 × 5 = 25)

Answer **all** questions, choosing either (a) or (b).

11. (a) Classify the restriction enzyme based on subunit composition and cleavage position.

Or

- (b) Compare the DNA polymerases based on their structure and function.
- 12. (a) How bacterial transformation is confirmed by  $\alpha$  -complementation.

#### Or

- (b) Illustrate the cDNA synthesis and library construction.
- 13. (a) Write notes on general concepts and tools used for primer designing.

Or

- (b) How the genetic variation identified by RAPD.
- 14. (a) Discuss on types of reaction in bio steroid transformation.

Or

- (b) Give short notes on HBs Ag production in yeast.
- 15. (a) Summarize the genetic factors of silencing.

Or

(b) Write the mechanism of antisense mRNA formation.

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Answer any three questions.

- 16. Describe the mechanism of
  - (a) DNase
  - (b) Methylase
  - (c) Phosphatases
  - (d) Ligases.
- 17. Write an essay on Northern and Southern blotting.
- 18. How mRNA detected and quantified by RT-PCR?
- 19. Write an essay on production of interferon in *E. coli*.
- 20. Give detailed notes on types and mechanism of gene silencing.

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## FOOD MICROBIOLOGY

#### (CBCS-2019 onwards)

Time : 3 Hours

Maximum : 75 Marks

Part A  $(10 \times 2 = 20)$ 

Answer **all** questions.

- 1. How do bacterial contaminations occur in animal food samples?
- 2. Name the extrinsic factors affecting the grow of microbes in food.
- 3. How do coliform bacteria are important in food spoilage?
- 4. What is controlled atmosphere storage?
- 5. Name the curing agents of meat.
- 6. What are ISI and AGMARK standards of food?
- 7. What is sauerkraut?
- 8. What are the uses of blanching?
- 9. What are the use of Pasteurization?
- 10. List the south Indian probiotic food.

**Part B**  $(5 \times 5 = 25)$ 

Answer **all** questions, choosing either (a) or (b).

11. (a) Write the role of food safety and microbiological quality assurance.

Or

- (b) Give an account on chemical food preservatives.
- 12. (a) Briefly describe the contamination and spoilage of meat and meat products.

Or

- (b) Define Canning. Write a note on biological spoilage of Canned foods.
- 13. (a) Describe the food, borne parasitic infections.

 $\mathbf{Or}$ 

- (b) Briefly describe the fermented Indian Probiotic foods.
- 14. (a) What is Brucellosis? Give an account on milk borne diseases.

 $\mathbf{Or}$ 

- (b) Write a short note on microbiological standards of food with reference to FDA, HACCP.
- 15. (a) Write a note on cheese production and their nutritional importance.

Or

(b) Briefly describe the production of bread.

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**Part C**  $(3 \times 10 = 30)$ 

Answer any **three** questions.

- 16. Explain the factors influencing microbial activity in foods.
- 17. Discuss the food preservation using low temperature.
- 18. Explain the contamination and spoilage of cereals product.
- 19. Describe the contamination and spoilage of Fruits and vegetables.
- 20. Discuss in detail about the bacterial food intoxication.

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## AGRICULTURE AND ENVIRONMENTAL MICROBIOLOGY

#### (CBCS – 2019 onwards)

Time : 3 Hours

Maximum : 75 Marks

 $(10 \times 2 = 20)$ 

Part A

Answer **all** questions.

- 1. Which culture media used for the isolation phosphate solubilizing bacteria?
- 2. Difference between Mutualism and Parasitism
- 3. What are the causative agents and symptoms of early and late blight of potato?
- 4. What is carbon sequestration?
- 5. How does Leghemoglobin protect nitrogenase?
- 6. Differentiate between food chain and food web.
- 7. What is maturation pond?
- 8. What are the functions of polysaccharide matrix of epilithic biofilm on rock surface?
- 9. Define pyrolysis.
- 10. What is Zoogloeal film?

**Part B** (5× 5 = 25)

Answer all questions, choosing either (a) or (b).

11. (a) Describe the symbiotic association of *Frankia* in non leguminous actinorhizal plants.

Or

- (b) Summarize the cultivation methods and uses of *Azolla biofertilizer*.
- 12. (a) Give an account on Citrus canker and Bacterial blight of cotton.

Or

- (b) Describe the highlights phenolic compound in plant protection.
- 13. (a) Carbon is exchanged among the biosphere, pedosphere, geosphere, hydrosphere, and atmosphere of the Earth justify.

Or

- (b) How do you assess the air quality by liquid impingement method?
- 14. (a) Give an account on Hydrothermal vent microbial communities.

Or

- (b) What is the role of microorganisms in the aquatic ecosystem? How can microorganisms such as green algae affect the health of organisms in aquatic ecosystems?
- 15. (a) Summarize the production and applications of biogas.

Or

(b) Give an account on activated sludge treatment and oxidation pond.

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**Part C** (3 × 10 = 30)

Answer any **three** questions.

- 16. Explain the isolation, screening and mass production of *Azospirillum bioferlizer* for paddy crops.
- 17. Discuss in detail about Phoma blight, Bacterial canker, Bacterial Black Spot, Anthracnose of mango.
- 18. Discuss the Nitrogen assimilation and dissimilation by bacteria and benthic microalgae.
- 19. Temperature and light have profound impact on both biotic and abiotic characteristic of lake- Justify.
- 20. What is Vermicomposting? Explain the requirements, production and technoeconomics of vermicomposting plant.

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## Fourth Semester

# Microbiology

# EXTREMOPHILES

## (CBCS – 2019 onwards)

Time : 3 Hours

Maximum : 75 Marks

Part A  $(10 \times 2 = 20)$ 

Answer **all** the questions.

- 1. Extremophiles
- 2. Pyschrophiles
- 3. Soda lakes
- 4. Alkalophiles
- 5. Halotolerence
- 6. Extremozymes
- 7. Barophily
- 8. Polymerases
- 9. Psychrotolerant
- 10. Ecology

	Part B	$(5 \times 5 = 25)$	
Answer <b>all</b> questions, choosing either (a) or (b).			
(a)	Explain about categories of extremotrophs		
	Or		
(b)	Give an account on origin of extremophiles		
(a)	Write a brief note on classification of alkalophiles		
Or			
(b)	Give a brief note on biotechnological applications of alkalophiles		
(a)	Explain about osmoadaptation		
	Or		
(b)	Give an account on classification of barop	hiles.	

14. (a) Explain history of hyper thermophiles

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12.

13.

Or

- (b) Write a short note on Evolution of PCR enzymes
- 15. (a) Explain-Adaptation mechanisms of psychro tolerant pathogens

Or

(b) Give an account on growth kinetics of acidophiles

**Part C**  $(3 \times 10 = 30)$ 

Answer any **three** questions.

- 16. Explain in detail about types and diversity of thermophiles
- 17. Give an brief note on adaptive mechanisms of extreme alkaliphiles

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- 18. Explain about the application of halophiles and its extremozymes.
- 19. Write a brief note on enzymes involved in DNA amplification from thermophiles
- 20. Explain about the taxonomy of pschrophiles

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