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Attempt five questions in all.

Question No. 1 is compulsory.

Give illustrations and examples wherever required.

Subparts of the questions should be attempted together.

1. (a) Define the following (any five) : 5×2=10

(i) Palindromic sequences

(ii) Blotting

(iii) Ori C

(iv) Adapters

(v) Probe

(vi) Tracking dye.

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(b) State True or False and justify (any four) : 4×2=8

- (i) Ethanol precipitation is preferred over isopropanol precipitation in the process of plasmid DNA isolation.
- (ii) In agarose gel electrophoresis, DNA fragments move towards the cathode.
- (iii) Restriction enzymes often work as exonucleases.
- (iv) cDNA libraries represent the expressed part of an organism's genome.
- (v) Vectors always contain a promoter sequence to initiate gene expression

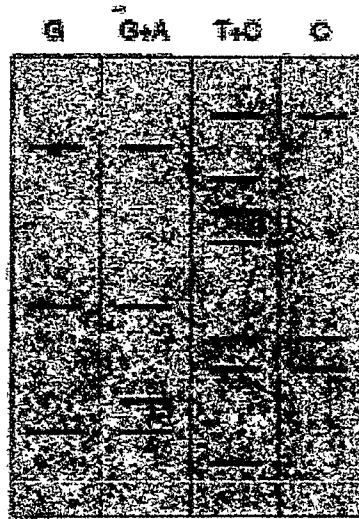
2. (a) Differentiate between the following (any three) : 3×3=9

- (i) Western and Southern hybridization
- (ii) Genomic DNA library and cDNA library
- (iii) Native and SDS-PAGE
- (iv) Colony and plaque hybridization.

(b) Write short notes on (any three) : 3×3=9

- (i) Restriction Enzymes
- (ii) Agarose gel electrophoresis
- (iii) Multiplex PCR
- (iv) Blue/white screening.

3. (a) The autoradiogram obtained after sequencing of a template strand is shown below. Elaborate in detail the method that has been used for sequencing. Also give the sequence of the template strand explaining how you obtained it. 9



- (b) Explain how gene cloning techniques are being applied for the production of recombinant pharmaceuticals, with a suitable example. 9
4. (a) Detail the structure and function of an expression vector. List the challenges encountered while using *E. coli* as the host for recombinant protein synthesis. 6
- (b) Plasmid pRIT453 was cut with *Sma*I, *Hind*III, and *Eco*RI. From the data given below, determine the restriction map : 6

<i>Eco</i> RI	7.7	1.6		
<i>Hind</i> III	7.4	1.9		
<i>Eco</i> RI + <i>Hind</i> III	4.5	1.9	1.6	1.3

- (c) What does "GMOs" stand for ? Give *two* examples. Discuss the biosafety concerns related to their use. 6
5. (a) What is Gene therapy ? Give a detailed account of the first successful gene therapy. Discuss the ethical concerns associated with it. 9
- (b) Explain in detail the technique of DNA profiling with the help of a diagram. 9
6. (a) Compare and contrast the features of agarose gel electrophoresis with that of polyacrylamide gel electrophoresis. 9
- (b) Give a brief account of different vectors used for cloning of a DNA fragment. 9