

**BIOSENSORS
(BIOT 4181)**

Time Allotted : 3 hrs

Full Marks : 70

Figures out of the right margin indicate full marks.

*Candidates are required to answer Group A and
any 5 (five) from Group B to E, taking at least one from each group.*

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

**Group - A
(Multiple Choice Type Questions)**

1. Choose the correct alternative for the following: **10 × 1 = 10**
- (i) Biosensors that measure change in mass are known as
(a) amperometric biosensors (b) piezoelectric biosensors
(c) potentiometric biosensors (d) optical biosensors.
 - (ii) Which generation of a biosensor needs a mediator for its operation?
(a) 1st generation (b) 2nd generation
(c) 3rd generation (d) 4th generation.
 - (iii) Biosensors that measure the light output is known as
(a) electrochemical biosensors (b) optical biosensors
(c) calorimetric biosensors (d) piezoelectric biosensors.
 - (iv) BIO-FET, where antibodies are immobilized on the GATE surface, is known as
(a) EN-FET (b) DNA-FET
(c) immuno-FET (d) none of these.
 - (v) Selectivity coefficients for ion selective electrodes more responsive to target ions as compared to the interfering ions is
(a) < 1 (b) > 1 (c) = 1 (d) = 0.
 - (vi) Most extensively studied biosensor is
(a) glucose biosensor (b) urea biosensor
(c) thermistor (d) optical biosensor.
 - (vii) For detection of urea, the required electrode is
(a) ammonia electrode (b) oxygen electrode
(c) CO₂ electrode (d) nitrogen electrode.

- (viii) Which of the following is the physico-chemical component of biosensor?
 (a) Enzymes (b) Anti-bodies
 (c) Transducer (d) Cells or tissues.
- (ix) Response of an enzyme sensor depends on
 (a) rate of enzymatic reaction (b) membrane thickness
 (c) diffusion through membrane (d) all of the above.
- (x) Which of the following biosensors use the movement of electrons produced during redox reactions?
 (a) amperometric biosensor (b) Potentiometric biosensors
 (c) Piezo-electric biosensors (d) Optical biosensors.

Group - B

2. (a) Describe three processes for enzyme immobilisation for biosensor construction.
 (b) How can a biosensor be categorised based on sensor type and transducer type? Provide examples of each category.
6 + 6 = 12
3. (a) Illustrate the variations of the biological /biochemical components of a biosensor.
 (b) Explain, with an example, the use of microbes as a biosensor.
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Group - C

4. (a) Discuss the characteristics of a non-invasive biosensor.
 (b) Explain the working principle of bananatrode.
6 + 6 = 12
5. (a) Explain how you can detect DNA hybridization with the help of potentiometric biosensor.
 (b) Explain, with two examples, working principle of enzyme-inhibition based biosensor.
6 + 6 = 12

Group - D

6. (a) Explain the working principle of DNA-FET.
 (b) Discuss the role of carbon nanotubes in biosensors.
7 + 5 = 12
7. (a) Explain how can you detect bacteria in clinical or food samples with the help of optical biosensors.
 (b) A 10 KΩ NTC thermistor has a B value of 3455 between the temperature range of 25°C to 100°C. Calculate its resistive value at 100°C. Data Given: B=3455, R₁=10 KΩ at 25°C.
8 + 4 = 12

Group - E

8. (a) Explain the method of pesticide determination using acetyl-cholinesterase enzyme.
 (b) Describe the method of urea determination in environmental samples using biosensor.
6 + 6 = 12
9. (a) State the principle of nitrate determination in water using biosensor.
 (b) Describe the method of acrylamide detection in fried foods using biosensor.
7 + 5 = 12