

AGRICULTURAL BIOTECHNOLOGY
(BIOT 5141)

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) Rubisco binds to
(a) O₂ only
(b) CO₂ only
(c) none
(d) both
- (ii) Germplasm means
(a) breeding method
(b) A collection of genetic material
(c) A new disease
(d) None of the above
- (iii) Genome markers
(a) Must occur as multiple alleles
(b) Must be repeat DNA sequences
(c) Can be any unique DNA sequence
(d) Are only used in genetic maps
- (iv) When fungal hyphae extends into soil and penetrate outer cells of plant root while forming branches are type of
(a) mycorrhizae
(b) exomycorrhizae
(c) endomycorrhizae
(d) ploromycorrhizae
- (v) Cryopreservation is a technique used for
(a) Crystallization of food
(b) Food packing
(c) Seed saving
(d) Preservation of excess production of vegetables
- (vi) The technology used to develop transgenic tomato is
(a) Antisense RNA
(b) RNAi
(c) Sense RNA
(d) none of these
- (vii) Which of the following organisms forms a beneficial symbiotic relationship with plant roots to help the plant get nitrogen?
(a) Viroid
(b) Mycorrhizae
(c) Lichen
(d) Rhizobium

- (viii) The following is not a plant growth regulator
(a) Acetic acid (b) Auxins (c) Gibberellins (d) Ethylene
- (ix) The BT gene was taken from:
(a) *Bacillus thuringiensis*
(b) Artificially synthesized by codon optimization
(c) Promoter region of BT-gene
(d) cotton BT gene
- (x) Molecular markers are used to construct
(a) chromosome maps (b) cytogenic maps
(c) physical maps (d) all of those

Group - B

2. (a) Define molecular marker. [(CO4)(Describe/LOCQ)]
(b) Can all types of markers be called as molecular maker-justify your answer citing suitable reasons. [(CO4)(Evaluate/HOCQ)]
(c) Mention the limitations of RAPD markers. [(CO4)(Understand/IOCQ)]
(d) Mention the advantages of AFLP. [(CO4)(Understand/IOCQ)]

$2 + 4 + 3 + 3 = 12$

3. (a) Mention four characteristics which an ideal DNA marker should possess [(CO3)(Describe/HOCQ)]
(b) Mention in which category RAPD lies and evaluate its usefulness in crop improvement. [(CO4)(Evaluate/HOCQ)]
(c) Explain how RAPD is useful in plant biotechnology mention its limitations in plant biotechnology. [(CO4)(Analyze/IOCQ)]

$4 + (1 + 3) + (2 + 2) = 12$

Group - C

4. (a) Compare and contrast: breeding vs. Transgenic technology. [(CO1)(Compare/IOCQ)]
(b) How high yielding winter wheat variety was developed? [(CO1)(Evaluate/HOCQ)]
(c) Write the prospect for Second Green Revolution. Why at all it has become utmost necessary? [(CO1,2)(Analyze/HOCQ)]

$4 + 4 + 4 = 12$

5. (a) What is meant by photosynthetic efficiency and dry matter partitioning? [(CO2)(Remember /LOCQ)]
(b) How photosynthetic efficiency can be improved? [(CO2)(Analyze/IOCQ)]

$(3 + 3) + 6 = 12$

Group - D

6. (a) What are alkaloids? Give examples of two active alkaloids with their plant source and mode of action. [(CO6)(Remember/LOCQ)]
 (b) Terpenoids are secondary metabolites. Justify the statement. [(CO6)(Analyze/IOCQ)]
(2 + 3 + 3) + 4 = 12
7. (a) What are phytochemicals? Write their mode of action. [(CO2)(Describe/IOCQ)]
 (b) Write any two techniques for developing herbicide resistant plant. [(CO2)(Describe/IOCQ)]
(2 + 4) + 6 = 12

Group - E

8. (a) Mention the basic steps briefly followed to achieve a successful cryopreservation in crop protection and its precautions. [(CO1)(Describe/IOCQ)]
 (b) Describe the usefulness of haploid culture in plant tissue culture and its application. [(CO1)(Describe/IOCQ)]
(5 + 2) + (3 + 2) = 12
9. (a) Justify the role of germplasm in crop-protection. [(CO1)(Justify HOCQ)]
 (b) Cryopreservation can be done by several ways. Discuss briefly. Which of this method is better justify your choice. [(CO1)(Evaluate/HOCQ)]
4 + (6 + 2) = 12

Cognition Level	LOCQ	IOCQ	HOCQ
Percentage distribution	21%	54%	25%

Course Outcomes (CO):

At the end of the course the student will be able to:

1. Explain the different techniques of plant tissue culture for bio-resource production.
2. Impart knowledge on all recent biotechnological developments related to the quality improvement of crops.
3. Understand role of plant along with microorganisms in agro-industry.
4. Analyze the role different molecular markers for different characters related to agronomic importance.
5. Understand the role of plants as bioresources by virtue of their secondary metabolites.

Department & Section	Submission Link
BT	https://classroom.google.com/c/NDU3NjI5NzUxNDIz/a/NDc1MTU2ODIxMzYx/details