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TEST FOR POST GRADUATE PROGRAMMES

BIOTECHNOLOGY

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INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

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1. Which of the following transgenic plant is a B-carotene yielder?
(A) Rice (B) Carrot
(C) Pea (D) Tomato
2. LSC and SSC regions of the genome are found in
(A) nucleus (B) mitochondrion
(C) chloroplast (D) bacterium
3. The CCMB is situated in
(A) Lucknow (B) New Delhi
(C) Hyderabad (D) Chandigarh
4. Ac-Ds higher plant transposon was first described in
(A) maize (B) arabidopsis
(C) tobacco (D) pea
5. A bacterium can divide every 20 min. Beginning with a single individual, how many bacteria will there be in the population, if there is an exponential growth for 3 hours?
(A) 18 (B) 440
(C) 512 (D) 1024
6. An allergic reaction is initiated by the following antibody
(A) Ig G (B) Ig M
(C) Ig A (D) Ig E
7. DNA foot-printing is used to
(A) settle disputed parentage
(B) detect protein-binding site on the DNA
(C) clone DNA
(D) separate DNA by PFGE



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8. Which one of the following genes confers freezing tolerance in animals?
- (A) Aaa3 (B) CAT
(C) Aroa (D) ADH
9. Producing a blue-coloured rose involves manipulation of
- (A) flavonoid biosynthesis pathway
(B) carotenoid biosynthesis pathway
(C) chlorophyll biosynthesis pathway
(D) alkaloid biosynthesis pathway
10. Glyphosate is a herbicide which inhibits
- (A) pigment biosynthesis
(B) nucleic acid biosynthesis
(C) energy production
(D) aromatic amino acid biosynthesis
11. In polymerase chain reaction, the DNA denaturation temperature is
- (A) 95°C (B) 75°C
(C) 120°C (D) 65°C
12. P53 is implicated in
- (A) cystic fibrosis (B) tumor suppression
(C) alzheimers (D) AIDS
13. The most abundant polysaccharide on Earth is
- (A) cellulose (B) chitin
(C) lignin (D) starch
14. The most abundant RNA present in the cell is
- (A) mRNA (B) tRNA
(C) rRNA (D) anti-sense RNA
15. GFP is isolated from
- (A) chloroplast (B) flowers
(C) jelly fish (D) wings of butterfly



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16. Cloning was first carried out in
- (A) monkey (B) cat
(C) guinea pig (D) lamb
17. Guy's 13 Ab has been successfully generated through
- (A) stem cell culture (B) hela cell culture
(C) tobacco root culture (D) hybridoma cell culture
18. Thousands of gene expression can be studied using the following technique:
- (A) DNA finger printing (B) PCR
(C) Gene finder (D) Micro array technique
19. Which one of the following is involved in alcohol production?
- (A) Aspergillus (B) Zygomonas
(C) Bacillus (D) Acetobacter
20. By which method can DNA be directly introduced into a cell without a vector?
- (A) Gene knock out (B) Gene amplification
(C) Antisense RNA technology (D) Electroporation
21. Dideoxy nucleotide is commonly employed in
- (A) mutation (B) nucleotide substitution
(C) DNA sequencing (D) DNA repair
22. Which of the following enzyme is specifically used in PCR?
- (A) Ligase (B) Reverse transcriptase
(C) Methylase (D) Taq polymerase
23. PCR was invented by
- (A) E M Southern (B) Kerry Mullis
(C) Melvin Calvin (D) Hatch and Slack



24. The Hybridoma cells have the capacity of producing
- (A) RBC (B) antigen
(C) CD4 cells (D) antibodies
25. RFLP can be used in
- (A) forensic study
(B) intron analysis
(C) amplification of template
(D) comparison of closely related species
26. Chloroplast contains the following pigments:
- (A) Chlorophyll a (B) Chlorophyll b
(C) Carotenoids (D) All of the above
27. Which of the following gas is involved in global warming?
- (A) CO (B) CH₄
(C) SO₂ (D) O₃
28. The cultivation of honey bees is called
- (A) agriculture (B) sericulture
(C) apiculture (D) moriculture
29. Cells without cell wall are called
- (A) tonoplasts (B) protoplasts
(C) leucoplasts (D) chromoplasts
30. Virus-free plants can be obtained through
- (A) root culture (B) mericlone
(C) callus culture (D) floriculture
31. An organism capable of causing disease is known as
- (A) phage (B) mycoplasma
(C) fungus (D) pathogen



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32. Which one of the following plant is used for bio-diesel production?
- (A) Sunflower (B) Castor
(C) Jatropha (D) Groundnut
33. The haploids can be raised from
- (A) endosperm (B) callus
(C) somaclone (D) pollen
34. The structure of the protein is mostly determined by
- (A) hydrogen bonds (B) amino acid sequence
(C) disulphide bridges (D) polypeptides
35. The number of units of activity per mg protein of enzyme is known as
- (A) specific activity (B) turn over number
(C) molar activity (D) allosteric activity
36. Crown-gall is caused by
- (A) candida (B) fusarium
(C) agrobacterium (D) azospirillum
37. In commercially important seeds, the dormancy can be broken by
- (A) 2,4-D (B) ABA
(C) GA₃ (D) IBA
38. Which among the following is an important rice biofertilizer?
- (A) Water hyacinth (B) Ottelia
(C) Pistia (D) Azolla
39. Non Watson-Crick pairing is most common in
- (A) A-DNA (B) B-DNA
(C) C-DNA (D) Z-DNA



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40. The first transgenic animal reported was a
- (A) mouse (B) pig
(C) fish (D) lamb
41. Which of the following is a post-translational event?
- (A) Addition of polyA tail (B) Methylation
(C) Demethylation (D) Glycosylation
42. Which of the following antibiotics is of recent origin?
- (A) Penicillin (B) Tetracyclin
(C) Streptomycin (D) Ciprofloxacin
43. Which of the following environmentally friendly marker is employed in modern molecular biology?
- (A) Antibiotics (B) Tracers
(C) EPSPS (D) Metabolic genes
44. Cells have a mechanism that removes introns and yields mRNA. This process is specifically called as
- (A) RNA splicing (B) RNA maturation
(C) processing of RNA (D) RNA editing
45. Among the following, which one of them is not protein but an enzyme?
- (A) Metallo enzyme (B) Allosteric enzyme
(C) Zymogen (D) Ribozyme
46. The process of making a product of a gene is
- (A) genetic map (B) gene therapy
(C) gene expression (D) genetic engineering
47. An RNA molecule that complements another RNA is called
- (A) mRNA (B) RNA duplex
(C) amplification (D) antisense RNA



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48. According to Food Safety Standards Authority of India, which of the following states supply purest milk?
- (A) Puducherry and Goa (B) Tamilnadu
(C) Karnataka and Kerala (D) Andhra Pradesh
49. What is the current level of CO₂ in the atmosphere?
- (A) 392 ppm (B) 300 ppm
(C) 240 ppm (D) 200 ppm
50. Recently, International AIDS Vaccine Initiative (IAVI) identified the following finding in AIDS patients:
- (A) ART (B) Vaccine
(C) Target binding (D) Neutralizing antibody (bNAbs)
51. Many of the biosynthesized nanoparticles exhibit a common property such as
- (A) antimicrobial activity (B) X-RD
(C) plasmon resonance (D) quantum dot
52. Frederick Sanger who won the Nobel Prize twice discovered
- (A) 2,3-dideoxynucleotide method for DNA sequencing
(B) Labeling of 3' end of DNA with P³²
(C) Automatic sequencing
(D) Capillary gel sequencing
53. The whole complex of binding an antibody to a bacterial toxin covalently is called
- (A) immuno complex (B) immuno adhesion
(C) magic bullet (D) ricin
54. The heavy metal binding protein, metallothionein, is rich in
- (A) arginine (B) histidine
(C) methionine (D) cysteine



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55. The first genome to be sequenced was from
- (A) *Haemophilus influenza* (B) *E. coli*
(C) *Saccharomyces cerevisiae* (D) *Plasmodium falciparum*
56. Which one of the following is a nitrogen-fixing bacterium?
- (A) Rhizobium (B) Frankia
(C) Acetobacter (D) Thiobacillus
57. The first case of a life patenting was done by
- (A) Anand Chakrabarty (B) Milstein and Kohler
(C) Rolfe (D) Cocking
58. HIV binds to the following molecule:
- (A) CD4 (B) CD8
(C) MHC I (D) MHC II
59. The study of genetic manipulation of a cell leading to overproduction of a particular metabolite is called
- (A) enzyme engineering (B) metabolic engineering
(C) metabolic derangement (D) end product inhibition
60. Which one of the following is a radiative gas?
- (A) H₂ (B) O₂
(C) CO₂ (D) N₂
61. Skin colour in man is determined by
- (A) single gene (B) poly genes
(C) alleles (D) mutant genes
62. The human genome consists of the following number of genes:
- (A) 100,000 (B) 50,000
(C) 30,000 (D) 15,000



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63. The first recombinant protein produced was
- (A) Thrombin (B) Humilin
(C) Factor VIII (D) Cyclodextrin
64. Gene therapy is mostly employed against
- (A) genetic diseases (B) fungal diseases
(C) bacterial diseases (D) viral diseases
65. Which of the following is a bifunctional enzyme?
- (A) RuBPCase (B) PEPCase
(C) PEPKinase (D) Malic enzyme
66. The GM crop that faces biggest challenge in India for commercialisation is
- (A) Bt-cotton (B) Bt-maize
(C) Bt-brinjal (D) Bt-potato
67. One of the plants that exhibits antimetabolic activity as a prelude to treatment of cancer is
- (A) onion (B) cluster bean
(C) soybean (D) cabbage
68. To increase drought tolerance in plants, the following gene is employed:
- (A) Mtl-D (B) Pro
(C) Bet (D) HSP
69. The most popular gene to induce herbicide tolerance in plants is
- (A) LUC (B) GFP
(C) aroa (D) CAT
70. HBSAg is a very popular edible vaccine produced in
- (A) potato (B) cauliflower
(C) sugarcane (D) beet root



71. Enzyme can be engineered using the following technique
- (A) Site-directed mutagenesis (B) Physical mutagen
(C) Chemical mutagen (D) Induction of disulfide bridges
72. In tissue culture the following auxin is primarily required:
- (A) Myo-inositol (B) IPA
(C) 2,4-D (D) IBA
73. Our coastal regions can be guarded against tsunami more economically by employing
- (A) blockades (B) concrete walls
(C) cement blocks (D) mangrove afforestation
74. Nucleic acids absorb maximally at
- (A) 240 nm (B) 250 nm
(C) 260 nm (D) 280 nm
75. Most higher eukaryotes contain
- (A) exons (B) introns
(C) exons and introns (D) overlapping genes
76. When the final product of a metabolic pathway inhibits the action of the existing enzymes, the process is called
- (A) repression (B) feedback inhibition
(C) catabolic repression (D) uncompetitive inhibition
77. The emerging defense strategy employed in plants against biotic and abiotic stresses is
- (A) abscisic acid (ABA)
(B) salicylic acid (SA)
(C) jasmonic acid (JA)
(D) ABA-SA-JA inter metabolic pathway



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78. In recent times, Multiphoton Fluorescence Microscope is employed in the detection of
- (A) cancer (B) jaundice
(C) malaria (D) AIDS
79. The most important potentially industrial application of halophilic bacteria is
- (A) stress tolerant proteases (B) osmoregulatory compounds
(C) salinity tolerance (D) stress protective agents
80. *Jatropha* is considered as a wonder plant because of its
- (A) drought tolerance (B) unpalatability to animals
(C) high oil content in seeds (D) All of the above
81. Which of the following is a non-leguminous plant to contain leghaemoglobin in N_2 fixing root nodules?
- (A) *Arachis hypogaea* (B) *Paraponia andersonii*
(C) *Glycine max* (D) *Cyamopsis tetragonaloba*
82. Transgenic plants accumulating glycine betaine were found to exhibit more tolerance to
- (A) salinity (B) heavy metals
(C) cold (D) high temperature
83. An anti-oxidant vitamin is
- (A) ascorbic acid (B) biotin
(C) pantothenic acid (D) deoxy-calciferol
84. The light-dependent uptake of O_2 and evolution of CO_2 in photosynthetic organism is called
- (A) light reaction (B) dark reaction
(C) photorespiration (D) oxygenase reaction



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85. To avoid transgene escape to the environment, genes are cloned into chloroplast for expression and the process is called
- (A) vectorless mode of transformation
 - (B) green technology
 - (C) metabolic engineering
 - (D) transplastomic technology
86. The antioxidants of green tea specifically prevent
- (A) cancer
 - (B) jaundice
 - (C) hypertension
 - (D) AIDS
87. To distinguish intraspecific genetic variation, the identification tool employed is:
- (A) RFLP
 - (B) RAPD
 - (C) DNA bar coding
 - (D) PCR
88. Which of the following is a new threat to the environment?
- (A) Heavy metals
 - (B) Radioactive wastes
 - (C) Radiative gases
 - (D) e-Wastes
89. Eco RI is isolated from
- (A) *E. coli*
 - (B) *A. niger*
 - (C) *B. thuringensis*
 - (D) fire fly
90. The total genetic material collected and sequenced from an environment is called
- (A) structural genomics
 - (B) metagenomics
 - (C) functional genomics
 - (D) genetic diversity
91. The vast majority of life on Earth is
- (A) plants
 - (B) animals
 - (C) insects
 - (D) microbes



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92. In the case of genetic diseases and spinal cord injury, the efficacy of the following therapy is tested:
- (A) Neural stem cells
 - (B) Embryonic stem cells
 - (C) Bone marrow stem cells
 - (D) A combination of all the above
93. Antisense coat protein gene is used against
- (A) pest resistance
 - (B) viral resistance
 - (C) nematode resistance
 - (D) fungal resistance
94. Which of the following treatment in the control of malaria is promising and environmentally safe?
- (A) Pyrethroids
 - (B) Chloroquinone
 - (C) Indoor spray of chemicals
 - (D) Artemisinin-based combination therapy
95. The genome of *Trichoderma sp.* potentially codes for an industrially relevant product
- (A) Gliotoxin
 - (B) Atmospheric N₂ fixation
 - (C) Aegerolysins
 - (D) Chitinase and glucanase
96. One of the following is a novel ornamental plant commercially grown in nurseries:
- (A) Crotons
 - (B) Rose
 - (C) Ferns
 - (D) Cycas
97. *Helicoverpa armigera* is an important pest of
- (A) brinjal
 - (B) cotton
 - (C) potato
 - (D) papaya



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98. Given the DNA sequence, ATTAAGGC, which one of the following is the antisense RNA?
- (A) AUUAAGGC (B) UAAUCCG
(C) CGGAATTA (D) TAATTCCG
99. The transgenic plant 'flavr-savr' is characterized by
- (A) delayed ripening (B) longer shelf life
(C) aroma (D) All of the above
100. Photo gene has been identified in
- (A) nucleus (B) mitochondrion
(C) cytoplasm (D) chloroplast
101. Which vector is commonly used to express a foreign gene in a dicot plant?
- (A) Baculovirus vector (B) Retroviral vector
(C) Transposon (D) Ti-plasmid
102. Transfer of T-DNA from Ti-plasmid into a plant cell is mediated by
- (A) MOB genes (B) VIR genes
(C) CAT genes (D) OCT-NOP genes
103. Plant developed from pollen is called
- (A) monoecious plant (B) di-haploid plant
(C) sterile plant (D) androgenic plant
104. The production of pharmaceuticals through *in vitro* culture is called
- (A) metabolic engineering (B) recombinant protein
(C) biopharming (D) pharmaceutical engineering
105. Restriction endonuclease is employed in cutting
- (A) single-stranded DNA (B) double-stranded DNA
(C) double-stranded RNA (D) anti-sense RNA



106. Reverse transcriptase is
- (A) RNA dependent RNA polymerase
 - (B) DNA dependent RNA polymerase
 - (C) DNA dependent DNA polymerase
 - (D) RNA dependent DNA polymerase
107. The common feature among the nucleus, chloroplast and mitochondrion is
- (A) lamellae
 - (B) DNA
 - (C) cristae
 - (D) ETC
108. A technique of using very small metal particles coated with desired gene in gene transfer is called
- (A) electroporation
 - (B) microinjection
 - (C) biolistics
 - (D) conjugation
109. Which of the following is a stable isotope?
- (A) O^{18}
 - (B) C^{14}
 - (C) P^{32}
 - (D) H^3
110. Which of the following bacteria is involved in the biosorption and detoxification of heavy metals?
- (A) *Pseudomonas aeruginosa*
 - (B) *Pseudomonas putida*
 - (C) *Rhizobium japonicum*
 - (D) *Bradyrhizobium sp.*
111. In the analysis of heavy metals, which of the following instrument is essentially used?
- (A) FTIR
 - (B) SDS-PAGE
 - (C) Sieve chromatography
 - (D) AFM
112. Rheumatoid arthritis is
- (A) an auto immune disorder
 - (B) an immunosuppressive reaction
 - (C) a hypersensitive reaction
 - (D) a heavy metal-induced disorder



113. Nanoparticles can be confirmed by the following method:
- (A) X-RD (B) UV-VIS spectrophotometer
(C) SEM (D) All of the above
114. Which bacterium is known as the 'Work Horse' in molecular biology?
- (A) Pseudomonas (B) Acetobacter
(C) *E. coli* (D) Azotobacter
115. Eukaryotic polypeptides are synthesized on the following ribosome complex:
- (A) 80S (B) 70S
(C) 60S (D) 40S
116. Catalytic antibodies are called
- (A) abzymes (B) ribozymes
(C) lysozyme (D) novozymes
117. Harvesting the solar energy is carried out by one of the plastids:
- (A) Amyloplast (B) Leucoplast
(C) Chromoplast (D) Chloroplast
118. Hairy roots are induced *in vitro* by the following bacterium:
- (A) *Agrobacterium tumefaciens* (B) *Agrobacterium rhizogens*
(C) *Rhizobium japonicum* (D) *Pseudomonas sp.*
119. The following one is a non-communicable disease:
- (A) Diabetes (B) Jaundice
(C) Dengue fever (D) Chikungunya
120. According to the Human Genome Project study, what is the percentage of coding genes?
- (A) 3% (B) 10%
(C) 15% (D) 20%



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121. The following is the second messenger in plants:
- (A) Calmodulin (B) Plasmodesma
(C) Nodulin (D) Golgi body
122. Somaclones are due to variation in
- (A) ploidy level (B) protein profile
(C) plastid number (D) 2,4-D concentration
123. Conversion of CO₂ to methanol using solar energy is called
- (A) dark reaction (B) photosynthesis
(C) light reaction (D) artificial photosynthesis
124. Identification of mud crabs belonging to the genus *Scylla* is carried out by the following tool:
- (A) PCR (B) RAPD
(C) RFLP (D) Micro array
125. Cry1 expression in Bt cotton is affected by the following abiotic stress:
- (A) water stress (B) salinity stress
(C) cold stress (D) heat shock stress
126. The epiphytic lichens act as bio-indicators of
- (A) pollution (B) atmospheric moisture
(C) ambient temperature (D) global warming
127. The normal BP of an individual should be
- (A) 120/80 (B) 140/90
(C) 110/90 (D) 100/80
128. The nanoparticles are potent
- (A) bactericide (B) fungicide
(C) nematocide (D) biopesticide



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129. The chief proponent of endosymbiosis theory is
- (A) Rosalind Franklin (B) Darwin
(C) Milton (D) Margulies
130. Sexual incompatibility can be overcome by
- (A) *In vitro* fertilization (B) hybridization
(C) cloning (D) cell culture
131. Aromatic amino acids are biosynthesized by a special pathway called
- (A) terpenoid pathway (B) shikimic acid pathway
(C) glycolate pathway (D) glyoxalate pathway
132. In addition to mitochondria, there is one more power house in plant cells called
- (A) nucleus (B) glyoxysome
(C) chloroplast (D) peroxisome
133. Against dental caries, the following edible plantibody has been produced:
- (A) Guy's 13 antibody (B) Ig E
(C) Ig A (D) humanized antibody
134. Vinblastin is produced by
- (A) *Rosa indica* (B) *Vinca rosea*
(C) *Vernonia cinera* (D) *Victoria regia*
135. Spacers are present in
- (A) polycistronic mRNA (B) mRNA
(C) tRNA (D) RNAi
136. Phylogenetic tree can be constructed by using the following software:
- (A) clustal W (B) MSa
(C) gene finder (D) ORF finder



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137. Which one of the following gases plays a key role in animal cell culture?
- (A) CO₂ (B) O₂
(C) H₂ (D) O₃
138. In the case of nuclear power plant disaster, the radioactive rays emitted can be detected employing the following instrument:
- (A) GM Counter (portable) (B) Blotting analysis
(C) Autoradiography (D) FTIR
139. The most common substrate used in distilleries for the production of ethanol is
- (A) molasses (B) corn meal
(C) soya meal (D) potato starch
140. The RNAi technology has been used in the development of plants resistant to
- (A) insects (B) nematode
(C) fungi (D) mycoplasma
141. The most important ornamental plant decorating many international airports is
- (A) cycas (B) fern
(C) orchids (D) bonsai
142. The advantage of immobilized enzyme is
- (A) recycling of the enzyme (B) to avoid enzyme inhibition
(C) to get pure end product (D) to reduce the K_m value
143. Which of the following is a sugar-free plant for diabetic patient?
- (A) Stevia (B) Gymnema
(C) Phyllanthus (D) Curcuma
144. Agar agar is obtained from
- (A) *Agaricus sp.* (B) polyporus
(C) *Fusarium sp.* (D) seaweeds



145. For large scale production of single cell protein, the following mode of culture is resorted to:
- (A) Petri plate (B) simple culture flask
(C) continuous culture (D) bioreactor
146. For disposal of municipal organic wastes, the following tool is used:
- (A) Incineration (B) Vermicompost
(C) Fermentor (D) *Ex situ* remediation
147. Pyrimidine dimer is induced by
- (A) visible light (B) gamma rays
(C) UV rays (D) infra-red rays
148. The following enzyme provides protection against UV light in plants:
- (A) Isocitrate lyase (B) Photolyase
(C) Glycolate oxidase (D) Peroxidase
149. The important function of folic acid metabolism is
- (A) chlorophyll biosynthesis (B) Haeme biosynthesis
(C) DNA synthesis and repair (D) synthesis of cytochrome
150. In the preparation of fast food in the modern world, the following irradiation is made use for safety purposes:
- (A) UV rays (B) Infra red rays
(C) Microwaves (D) Gamma rays