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B. Tech
PCBT 4302

Fifth Semester Examination – 2013
GENETIC ENGINEERING AND R-DNA TECHNOLOGY

BRANCH : BIOTECH

QUESTION CODE : C-372

Full Marks – 70

Time : 3 Hours

*Answer Question No. 1 which is compulsory and any **five** from the rest.
The figures in the right-hand margin indicate marks.*

1. Answer the following questions : 2×10
- (a) What is the difference between linker and adapter ?
 - (b) What is restriction modification system ?
 - (c) Give two advantages of using YAC as a vector.
 - (d) What are differentially expressed genes ?
 - (e) Write down the principle behind RAPD.
 - (f) What is RNA interference ?
 - (g) Beginning with 600 template DNA molecules, after 25 cycles of PCR, how many amplicons will be produced ?
 - (h) What is a quantitative trait locus ?
 - (i) What are the differences between phagemid and cosmid ?
 - (j) What do you mean by DNA microarray ?
2. Describe the construction of a cDNA library. What are its advantages over genomic DNA library ? 5+5
3. Write the process of AFLP along with advantages and disadvantages. 10
4. What are the desirable characteristics of a vector ? λ -EMBL 3 is used as a vector to clone 20,000 bp fragments generated from a partial *Sau*3A1 digest of the human genome (3×10^9 bp). We wish to isolate a gene contained completely

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- on a 20,000 bp fragment. To have a 99% chance of isolating this gene in the λ -EMBL 3 recombinant genomic library, how many independent clones must be examined? 3+7
5. Define DNA fingerprinting. Describe any one technique of DNA fingerprinting. What is its difference from DNA foot printing? 2+5+3
6. What is a two hybrid assay ? Describe its methodology and two major applications. 3+7
7. (a) What are the main points and findings of the rice genome project ? 5
(b) What are ESTs ? What is the importance of studying ESTs ? 5
8. Write short notes on : 5×2
(a) Applications of molecular markers in diagnostics
(b) Physical mapping of genome.
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