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Second Semester

Botany – Elective

RESEARCH METHODOLOGY, COMPUTER  
APPLICATIONS AND BIOINFORMATICS

(For those who joined in July 2023 onwards)

Time : Three hours

Maximum : 75 marks

PART A — (15 × 1 = 15 marks)

Answer ALL questions.

Choose the correct answer :

1. While writing manuscripts, often use the abbreviation "et.al.". It means
  - (a) extra alternate
  - (b) and alternatively
  - (c) at the end
  - (d) and others

2. What is the purpose of the "Conclusion" section in a research report?
  - (a) Detailing the research methodology
  - (b) Discussing the limitations of the study
  - (c) Acknowledging the individuals who contributed to the study
  - (d) Summarizing the study and presenting the key findings
3. In research reporting, the "Discussion" section is focused on
  - (a) Interpreting the results and comparing them to existing literature
  - (b) Presenting the raw data and figures
  - (c) Describing the research methods used in the study
  - (d) Summarizing the study's objectives
4. The sample introduction in HPLC is carried by
  - (a) Micropipette
  - (b) Densitometer
  - (c) Platinum iridium capillary
  - (d) Goniometer





5. What is the purpose of centrifugation?
- (a) To separate particles of different densities
  - (b) To purify a solution
  - (c) To measure the pH of a solution
  - (d) To mix two solutions together
6. The polymerase chain reaction is
- (a) a DNA sequencing technique
  - (b) a DNA degradation technique
  - (c) a DNA amplification technique
  - (d) All of the above
7. Which of the following is not application software?
- (a) Windows 7
  - (b) WordPad
  - (c) Photoshop
  - (d) MS-excel
8. Which of the following is system software?
- (a) Operating system
  - (b) Compiler
  - (c) Utilities
  - (d) All of the above
9. Which of the following is an Internet browser?
- (a) Windows explorer
  - (b) www.google.com
  - (c) Internet Explorer
  - (d) Task bar

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10. GenBank, the nucleic acid sequence database is maintained by
- (a) Brookhaven laboratory
  - (b) DDBJ
  - (c) EMBL
  - (d) NCBI
11. Find the correct match
- (a) Composite database-GenBank
  - (b) Secondary database-DDBJ
  - (c) Secondary database-Protein Data Bank
  - (d) Protein database-EMBL
12. Which of the following is incorrect about ENTREZ?
- (a) It is a resource prepared only by the staff of the NCBI.
  - (b) It provides a series of forms that can be filled out to retrieve a Medline reference related to the molecular biology sequence databases
  - (c) One straightforward way to access the sequence databases is through ENTREZ
  - (d) It provides a series of forms that can be filled out to retrieve a DNA or protein sequence

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13. Which of the following is a sequence alignment tool?
- (a) BLAST (b) PRINT  
(c) PROSITE (d) PIR
14. Which of These Following are not Bioinformatics Applications?
- (a) Data storage and management  
(b) Understand the relationships between organisms  
(c) Drug designing  
(d) None of the above
15. Which of the following is untrue regarding BLAST and FASTA?
- (a) FASTA is faster than BLAST  
(b) FASTA is the most accurate  
(c) BLAST has limited choices of databases  
(d) FASTA is more sensitive for DNA-DNA comparisons

PART B — (5 × 4 = 20 marks)

Answer ALL questions, choosing either (a) or (b).  
Each answer should not exceed 250 words.

16. (a) Write the difference between short communication, review paper and original research paper.
- Or
- (b) Explain the different types of research.

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17. (a) Summarize the applications of TLC.
- Or
- (b) Describe the instrumentation of agarose gel electrophoresis.
18. (a) Explain the classification of computers.
- Or
- (b) Distinguish between WWW and Internet.
19. (a) Summarize the applications of bioinformatics.
- Or
- (b) Summarize the uses of nucleotide databases.
20. (a) Enumerate various gene-finding tools using in bioinformatics.
- Or
- (b) Summarize the applications of BLAST.

PART C — (5 × 8 = 40 marks)

Answer ALL questions, choosing either (a) or (b)  
Each answer should not exceed 600 words.

21. (a) Describe the structure of science thesis.
- Or
- (b) Explain the
- (i) bibliography and  
(ii) citation and its style.

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22. (a) Describe the instrumentation and applications of GLC.

Or

- (b) Explain  
(i) High-speed centrifuges  
(ii) Ultracentrifuges

23. (a) Describe the computer parts and their functions:

Or

- (b) Discuss about internet browsers with its functions and types.

24. (a) Describe the (i) Genbank and (ii) PDB

Or

- (b) How to perform biological database searching – Discuss.

25. (a) Discuss briefly about nucleotide sequence, databases.

Or

- (b) Describe the pairwise sequence alignment.
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