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B.E. / B.TECH. DEGREE EXAMINATIONS, MAY 2024

Fourth Semester

BT22401 – ANALYTICAL TECHNIQUES AND INSTRUMENTATION*(Biotechnology)***(Regulation 2022)****TIME: 3 HOURS****MAX. MARKS: 100**

COURSE OUTCOMES	STATEMENT	RBT LEVEL
CO 1	Learn the working principle and application of spectroscopic methods used for biological products	2
CO 2	Compare and study the principles and applications of mass spectrometry, nuclear magnetic and electron resonance spectroscopic techniques for various biological applications.	3
CO 3	Perceive with chromatographic techniques used in various industries such as Biotech/Biopharma/Food/ Etc.,	3
CO 4	Interpret the advanced microscopic methods for characterizing the biomolecules/bioproducts	3
CO 5	Separate the biomolecules using electrophoresis	2

PART- A (20 x 2 = 40 Marks)

(Answer all Questions)

	CO	RBT LEVEL
1. Specify the basic components of optical instruments used in spectroscopy.	1	2
2. Define absorbance and Transmittance.	1	2
3. Specify the major design requirements of monochromators.	1	2
4. Outline the principle of monochromators in studying the spectral properties of materials.	1	3
5. Brief about the sample preparation in the IR spectrophotometers for solid Samples.	2	2
6. Distinguish between fluorescence and phosphorescence.	2	3
7. Write the Beer's law and discuss the reasons for derivation of Beer's law.	2	3
8. Mention two applications of Raman spectroscopy in materials analysis.	2	2

9.	List the experimental considerations when using NMR spectrometers.	3	2
10.	Why do we go for a solid-state detector instead of a scintillation detector?	3	3
11.	Explain the dead time in the GM counter.	3	2
12.	Deduce the relationship between mass and charge in mass spectrometry.	3	3
13.	How affinity chromatography is employed in protein purification?	4	3
14.	State the role of the elution buffer in ion exchange chromatography.	4	3
15.	Define R _f and R _m values with their significance.	4	2
16.	What are the requirements for pumping system in HPLC?	4	3
17.	Write down the applications of gel electrophoresis in molecular biology.	5	2
18.	Explain the mechanism of gel electrophoresis/Zone Electrophoresis.	5	2
19.	Differentiate between agarose gel electrophoresis and polyacrylamide gel electrophoresis.	5	3
20.	Contrast the surface properties of materials using AFM and STM.	5	3

PART- B (5 x 10 = 50 Marks)

		Marks	CO	RBT LEVEL
21. (a)	Explain the electromagnetic spectrum and indicate various Biotechnological instruments that are operated in the determination of iron content present in the drinking water.	(10)	1	2
	(OR)			
(b)	Describe the working principle of instruments highlighting how signal-to-noise is enhanced. Explain any two instrumental methods for the same.	(10)	1	2
22. (a)	Explain the instrumentation of UV-visible spectrophotometer with a neat block diagram.	(10)	2	3
	(OR)			
(b)	Write in brief about the fundamental modes of vibrations in polyatomic molecules and list the various detectors used in IR Spectroscopy.	(10)	2	3
23. (a)	Describe the fundamental principles of NMR spectroscopy and explain how	(10)	3	3

the interaction of nuclei with an external magnetic field and radiofrequency pulses leads to the acquisition of NMR spectra.

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| (b) | Explain the principle, mechanism, and working of Mass spectrometry and briefly explain the flame ionization detector working principle. | (10) | 3 | 3 |
| 24. (a) | Discuss the principles of high-performance liquid chromatography and compare its advantages over traditional liquid chromatography. | (10) | 4 | 3 |
| (OR) | | | | |
| (b) | With a neat diagram explain the various stages of gas chromatography and label the main instruments. | (10) | 4 | 3 |
| 25. (a) | Explain the principles of PAGE electrophoresis and its advantages in resolving proteins based on size and charge. | (10) | 5 | 2 |
| (OR) | | | | |
| (b) | Explain the principles and operation of Atomic Force Microscopy. | (10) | 5 | 2 |

PART- C (1 x 10 = 10 Marks)

(Q.No.26 is compulsory)

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| 26. | Explain the technique that would be most useful to identify and quantify the presence of a known impurity in a drug substance. | (10) | 3 | 3 |
