## 3 (Sem-2/CBCS) ZOO HC2

## 2023

## ZOOLOGY

(Honours Core)

Paper: ZOO-HC-2026

(Cell Biology)

Full Marks: 60

Time: Three hours

## The figures in the margin indicate full marks for the questions.

- 1. Choose the correct answer:  $1 \times 7 = 7$ 
  - (i) The structure associated with the formation of aster during nuclear division is
    - (a) Endoplasmic reticulum
    - (b) Centriole
    - (c) Sphaerosome
    - (d) Ribosome

- (ii) Cytoskeleton consists of
  - (a) Microtubules
  - (b) Microfilaments
  - (c) Intermediate filaments
  - (d) All of the above
- (iii) The unit membrane model of plasma membrane was proposed by
  - (a) Nicolson
  - (b) Danielli and Davson
  - (c) Robertson
  - (d) Mitchel
- (iv) An octamer of histone proteins associated with DNA forms

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(a) Endosome

- (b) Nucleosome
- (c) Mesosome
- (d) Centromere
- (v) Pairing of homologous chromosomes in Prophase-I of meiosis takes place in
  - (a) Zygotene
  - (b) Pachytene
  - (c) Diplotene
  - (d) Diakinesis
- (vi) Nucleolus is the site for the synthesis of
  - (a) DNA
  - (b) mRNA
  - (c) tRNA
  - (d) rRNA

- (vii) A molecule acting as a 'second messenger' in biological system is
  - (a) cDNA
  - (b) cAMP
  - (c) tRNA
  - (d) hn RNA
- 2. Answer the following:

 $2 \times 4 = 8$ 

- (a) Write the basic difference between active and passive transport.
- (b) Draw the structure of a typical mycoplasma.
- (c) Define nucleoplasmic index.
- (d) Write the difference between euchromatin and heterochromatin.

- 3. Answer **any three** from the following: 5×3=15
  - (a) How do  $Na^+/K^+$  ATPase regulate the balance of  $Na^+$  and  $K^+$  in the cell?
  - (b) "Mitochondria is considered as a semi autonomous cell organelle." Justify the statement.
  - (c) What is nucleosome? Write its importance in DNA packaging.

2+3=5

- (d) What do you mean by autocrine cell signalling? Draw the outline of major signalling pathways by which extracellular messenger molecules can elicit intracellular responses. 2+3=5
- (e) What is facilitated diffusion? Briefly comment on the glucose transporter as an example of facilitated diffusion.

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1+4=5

4. (a) Briefly explain the structure and function of Golgi apparatus. 5+5=10

Or

- (b) Write the difference between rough and smooth endoplasmic reticulum with special reference to the nature of their cytosolic surface. Briefly explain the structure and function of rough endoplasmic reticulum. 2+5+3=10
- 5. (a) What do you mean by a cell cycle? Describe the role of cyclins and kinases in the transition from  $G_1$  to S and  $G_2$  to M during the process of cell cycle regulation. 3+7=10

Or

(b) Elucidate the structural composition of microtubules. Write its functional significance with special emphasis on its role in cellular organization and intracellular motility. 5+5=10

6. (a) Describe the structure of nuclear pore complex with proper labelled diagram. 7+3=10

Or

(b) What is oxidative phosphorylation?
Write a note on the mitochondrial electron transport system showing the enzymes and the coenzymes involved in the process.

2+8=10

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