

IV Sem. Soft Core Paper: – 3.

GENETIC ENGINEERING AND BIOTECHNOLOGY.

48 Hrs.

Genetic Engineering:

24 Hrs.

Unit I:

Historical account

DNA cloning: Generation of recombinant DNA molecules, enzymes used in recombinant DNA technology – Nucleases, Ligase, Polymerases, DNA modifying enzymes.

Types of donor DNA: Genomic and cDNA; Construction of genomic and cDNA libraries

Unit II

Vectors and their characteristics: Plasmid vectors (pBR322, pUC18/pUC19), Bacteriophage vectors (λ , M13), Hybrid vectors (COSMID vector), Eukaryotic vectors (YAC), Ti plasmid, Shuttle vectors

Unit III

Hosts: Bacteria, Yeast; Ligation, transformation, methods of gene transfer, screening procedures for recombinant clones. Applications of genetic engineering

Unit IV

Basic techniques in genetic engineering: Agarose gel electrophoresis, Polyacrylamide gel electrophoresis, isolation and purification of nucleic acids, blotting techniques (Southern, Northern and Western), PCR and its applications, DNA sequencing.

Biotechnology:

24 Hrs.

Unit V

Animal biotechnology:

Animal cell culture: facilities required, culture conditions, advantages and limitations, applications, culture media, characterization and biology of cultured cells – primary culture and cell lines, scale up.

Unit VI

Transgenic animals: Methods for introducing foreign gene, gene knockout, transgenic mice and their applications, transgenesis in large animals.

Unit VII

Agricultural biotechnology:

Plant tissue culture: plant cell culture, culture media, protoplast culture, micropropagation, GM plants, transgenic plants as bioreactors

Unit VIII

Medical/Pharmaceutical biotechnology:

Vaccines: Recombinant vaccines, DNA vaccines, Edible vaccines

Hybridomas, monoclonal antibodies and their applications, Gene therapy.

Tutorials. ----- 16X2 = 32 Hrs.

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