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Second Semester

M Sc MICROBIOLOGY

CORE - MG030204 - MICROBIAL PHYSIOLOGY AND METABOLISM

2019 Admission Onwards 65FCAB60

Time: 3 Hours Weightage: 30

Part A (Short Answer Questions)

Answer any **eight** questions.

Weight **1** each.

- 1. Compare bacterial cell mass and cell number.
- 2. Illustrate the role of efflux pumps in the drug transport systems.
- 3. What are sensor proteins? How do they function in regulons?
- 4. What are the genes involved in quorum sensing?
- 5. Why is Acetyl CoA important in microbes?
- 6. Write a note on reductive C4-carboxylic acid cycle in bacterial CO2 fixation?
- 7. What are hopanoids?
- 8. List out the important properties of polyhydroxy alkanoate.
- 9. Write a short note on polyamine biosyntesis in bacteria.
- 10. Explain the role of glutamine synthetase in protein catabolism?

(8×1=8 weightage)

Part B (Short Essay/Problems)

Answer any **six** questions.

Weight **2** each.

- 11. Outline the methods used to determine the efficiency of microbial growth
- 12. Discuss transport of inorganic ions in bacteria.
- 13. What is heat shock response? How is heat shock response regulated in in bacteria.
- 14. List out the constituents of the electron transport chain with suitable figures?



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- 15. Give an account on fermentative pathways in production of alcohol?
- 16. Mention the enzymes and coenzymes present in fatty acid synthetase system. Illustrate their functions.
- 17. Outline the catabolism of leucine and glutathione in microbes.
- 18. Recall in detail the regulatory mechanisms of purine biosynthesis in microbes.

(6×2=12 weightage)

Part C (Essay Type Questions)

Answer any **two** questions.

Weight **5** each.

- 19. Describe in detail on the mechanism of action and significance of the Nar regulons in microbial system.
- 20. Describe in detail the metabolism of complex polysaccharides in microbes?
- 21. Write an essay on synthesis of unsaturated fatty acids in bacteria.
- 22. Outline the biosynthesis of aromatic amino acids and its regulation .

(2×5=10 weightage)

