

**Question bank**  
**PAPER - 1**  
**M.Sc. r-DNA TECHNOLOGY**  
**MCQs**

1. Which technique is used for detecting specific DNA sequences using a labelled probe?

- a) Western blot
- b) Southern blot
- c) Northern blot
- d) South-Western blot

Answer: b) Southern blot

2. Alpha complementation is used for selection in:

- a) Yeast two-hybrid system
- b) Blue-white screening
- c) Colony hybridization
- d) DNA sequencing

Answer: b) Blue-white screening

3. Insertional inactivation is used to detect:

- a) RNA interference
- b) Recombinant plasmids
- c) Protein expression
- d) DNA methylation

Answer: b) Recombinant plasmids

4. Which method involves chemical cleavage of DNA for sequencing?

- a) Sanger's method
- b) Maxam-Gilbert method
- c) Automated sequencing
- d) Next Generation Sequencing

Answer: b) Maxam-Gilbert method

5. Fluorescent in situ hybridization (FISH) is used to visualize:

- a) Proteins in cells
- b) Specific DNA/RNA sequences in cells
- c) Enzymatic activity
- d) Lipid membranes

Answer: b) Specific DNA/RNA sequences in cells

6. Colony hybridization is used to screen bacterial colonies for:

- a) Antibiotic resistance
- b) Specific DNA sequences
- c) Protein production
- d) Phage infection

Answer: b) Specific DNA sequences

7. DNA arrays with short synthesized sequences are called:

- a) Spotted DNA arrays
- b) Oligonucleotide chips
- c) Protein chips
- d) Microfluidic chips

Answer: b) Oligonucleotide chips

8. Which blotting technique is used for RNA detection?

- a) Southern blot
- b) Western blot
- c) Northern blot
- d) South-Western blot

Answer: c) Northern blot

9. Sanger's sequencing method uses:

- a) Chemical degradation
- b) Dideoxy chain termination
- c) Pyrosequencing
- d) Hybridization

Answer: b) Dideoxy chain termination

10. Hybrid arrest translation is used to identify:

- a) DNA-binding proteins
- b) mRNA corresponding to a cloned DNA
- c) DNA methylation patterns
- d) Protein-protein interactions

Answer: b) mRNA corresponding to a cloned DNA

1. Which technique is used to introduce specific mutations at a defined site in DNA?

- a) RNA interference
- b) Site-directed mutagenesis
- c) Knock-out technology
- d) DNA sequencing

Answer: b) Site-directed mutagenesis

2. CRISPR-Cas9 is used for:

- a) Protein purification
- b) Genome editing
- c) DNA sequencing
- d) RNA detection

Answer: b) Genome editing

3. Knock-out technology is used to:

- a) Increase gene expression
- b) Delete or inactivate a gene
- c) Insert a reporter gene
- d) Mutate RNA

Answer: b) Delete or inactivate a gene

4. RNA interference (RNAi) works by:

- a) Degrading DNA
- b) Degrading or blocking mRNA
- c) Enhancing translation
- d) Methylating genes

Answer: b) Degrading or blocking mRNA

5. TALENs are used for:

- a) Protein visualization
- b) Genome editing
- c) DNA sequencing
- d) RNA interference

Answer: b) Genome editing

6. Next Generation Sequencing is different from Sanger sequencing because it is:

- a) Slower
- b) Low-throughput
- c) High-throughput and parallel
- d) Only for proteins

Answer: c) High-throughput and parallel

7. Zinc finger nucleases function by:

- a) Binding RNA and cutting DNA

- b) Binding DNA and creating double-strand breaks
- c) Methylating DNA
- d) Degrading proteins

Answer: b) Binding DNA and creating double-strand breaks

8. Knock-in technology involves:

- a) Deleting a gene
- b) Inserting or replacing a gene at a specific locus
- c) Random mutagenesis
- d) RNA silencing

Answer: b) Inserting or replacing a gene at a specific locus

9. Golden Rice is an application of rDNA technology in:

- a) Medicine
- b) Agriculture
- c) Industry
- d) Animal husbandry

Answer: b) Agriculture

10. Which of the following is NOT a type of NGS platform?

- a) Illumina
- b) Pyrosequencing
- c) Maxam-Gilbert
- d) Ion Torrent

Answer: c) Maxam-Gilbert

Fill-in-the-Blanks

1. Alpha complementation in blue-white screening uses the \_\_\_\_ gene.

Answer: lacZ

2. Southern blotting is used for detecting \_\_\_\_ sequences.

Answer: DNA

3. The Maxam-Gilbert sequencing method uses \_\_\_\_ cleavage of DNA.

Answer: chemical

4. \_\_\_\_ blotting is used for detecting proteins with antibodies.

Answer: Western

5. In colony hybridization, colonies are transferred to a \_\_\_\_ membrane.

Answer: nitrocellulose / nylon

6. Automated DNA sequencing often uses \_\_\_\_ labeling.

Answer: fluorescent

7. DNA arrays allow high-throughput analysis of gene \_\_\_\_.

Answer: expression

8. Oligonucleotide chips contain \_\_\_\_ DNA sequences synthesized on a chip.

Answer: short / synthetic

9. South-Western blot is used to study \_\_\_\_ interactions.

Answer: protein-DNA

10. Zoo blotting compares DNA sequences across different \_\_\_\_.

Answer: species

1. Site-directed mutagenesis allows \_\_\_\_ changes in DNA sequences.

Answer: specific / targeted

2. RNA interference involves \_\_\_\_ RNA molecules that silence genes.

Answer: small / siRNA / miRNA

3. CRISPR-Cas9 uses a \_\_\_\_ RNA to guide Cas9 to target DNA.

Answer: guide (gRNA)

4. Knock-out mice are created by \_\_\_\_ a specific gene.

Answer: deleting / inactivating

5. TALENs stand for \_\_\_\_.

Answer: Transcription Activator-Like Effector Nucleases

6. Next Generation Sequencing allows \_\_\_\_ sequencing of DNA fragments.

Answer: parallel / high-throughput

7. Zinc finger nucleases contain DNA-binding domains and a \_\_\_\_ domain.

Answer: nuclease / cleavage

8. Recombinant DNA technology is used to produce \_\_\_\_ in medicine, such as insulin.

Answer: proteins / therapeutics

9. In agriculture, rDNA technology helps create \_\_\_\_ resistant crops.

Answer: pest / herbicide / disease

10. \_\_\_\_ is a genome editing tool derived from bacterial immune systems.

Answer: CRISPR-Cas9

### short Questions

1. What is alpha complementation

2. What are Nucleic acid probes

3. What is southern blotting

4. What is RNAi

5 what is crisper cas9 system