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M.E./ M.TECH. DEGREE EXAMINATION, MAY 2023

Second Semester

BY18201 – Bioseparation Technology

(Biotechnology)

(Regulation 2018A)

TIME: 3 HOURS

MAX. MARKS: 100

- CO 1** Understand the importance of bioseparation and nature of the fermentation broth and biomolecules to select an appropriate purification process
- CO 2** Select the appropriate cell disruption method used for the recovery of intracellular products
- CO 3** Choose the appropriate extraction and precipitation methods used for the separation of biomolecules
- CO 4** Select an appropriate chromatographic separation method to achieve maximum purity of target product
- CO 5** Apply the principles of drying and crystallization to obtain the final polished desired biomolecule

PART- A (10 x 2 = 20 Marks)  
(Answer all Questions)

	CO	RBT LEVEL
1 Name any two cationic and anionic detergents used for cell disruption.	2	2
2 List out the industrial applications of tangential-flow microfiltration.	2	2
3 Brief about the role of electrophoresis in bioseparations.	3	2
4 How will you use reverse micelles for the separation of proteins?	3	2
5 Give the applications of ion-exchange chromatography in bioseparations.	4	2
6 How will you calculate number of theoretical plates in chromatography?	4	2
7 Differentiate adsorption and partition column chromatography.	4	2
8 List out the considerations in scaling up an HPLC method.	4	2
9 Compare batch and continuous crystallization process.	5	2
10 What does the term polishing chromatography refers to?	5	2

PART- B (5 x 13 = 65 Marks)

	Marks	CO	RBT LEVEL
<b>11(a)</b> Categorize bioproducts based on their volume in fermentation broth and market volume with examples. Suggest and brief about the suitable biosperation techniques for each of the above category.	(13)	1	3
(OR)			
<b>11(b)</b> Comment on the challenges in the purification of recombinant proteins. Also elaborate on the guidelines to reach high-quality purified recombinant expressed proteins.	(13)	1	3
<b>12(a)</b> Enumerate various methods of cell disruption for release of intracellular products from fermentation broth. Give a detailed note on cell disruption by mechanical methods.	(13)	2	3
(OR)			
<b>12(b)</b> Brief about the principle and theory of different types of centrifugation techniques. Also given an overview of commercial applications of centrifugation that are commonly used in biotechnology.	(13)	2	3
<b>13(a)</b> Explain the theoretical principles and steps involved in the aqueous two-phase extraction of an enzyme.	(13)	3	3
(OR)			
<b>13(b)</b> Discuss about the principles and strategies of salting-out method in large scale precipitation of proteins.	(13)	3	3
<b>14(a)</b> Describe the working principle and applications of size exclusion chromatography with a neat diagram.	(13)	4	3
(OR)			
<b>14(b)</b> Describe the various affinity chromatography techniques used in separation of biomolecules.	(13)	4	3
<b>15(a)</b> Elaborate on the stability and process considerations involved in spray-drying of biopharmaceutical products.	(13)	5	4
(OR)			

- 15(b)** Present an overview of recent techniques used in the purification of cephalosporin antibiotics. (13) 5 4

**PART- C (1 x 15 = 15 Marks)**

(Q.No.16 is compulsory)

- |   | Marks       | CO       | RBT<br>LEVEL |
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| <b>16</b> Monoclonal antibodies (mAbs) have realized their potential over the last 20 years, with successful applications in a range of major therapeutic areas, including the treatment of breast cancer. In fact, they are the largest and fastest growing class of biological drugs today. As a result, there is high demand for solutions that will deliver efficient, flexible, and cost-effective mAb purification. Increases in upstream titers mean that downstream processes must gear up too. Higher titers mean a higher number of impurities is likely, and these need to be separated from the target molecule. So what is the most effective way to optimize purification? Justify your answer. | <b>(15)</b> | <b>5</b> | <b>5</b>     |