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Instructions: Answer 4 Questions.All questions carry equal marks.

Duration: 2 hours

Sitting: Winter 2015/2016

Requirements for this examination:

Note to Candidates: Please check the Programme Title and the Module Title to ensure that you have received the correct examination paper.
If in doubt please contact an Invigilator.

Q1 Discuss the importance of cell preservation in an industrial biotechnology process.

In your answer mention

- (a) Cell preservation methods (6 marks)
- (b) Cell Banking (7 marks)
- (c) Cell Characterisation (12 marks)

Q2 (a) Describe the design and construction of a typical Stirred Tank Reactor (STR) used in an industrial setting.

(10 marks)

(b) Describe the steps involved in the preparation of Stirred tank Bioreactor for a fermentation.

(8 marks)

(c) List the advantages of using a STR in the production of Biotechnology Products.

(7 marks)

Q3 Discuss the following in the context of downstream processing.

- (a) Viral contamination and removal (8 marks)
- (b) Regulatory requirements regarding viral inactivation and clearance (7 marks)
- (c) Methods for Viral inactivation and clearance, and viral detection. (10 marks)

Q4 Describe each of the following as they would be used in the downstream processing and purification of a monoclonal antibody

- (a) Initial Product recovery (8 marks)
- (b) Nucleic acid removal (5marks)
- (c) Initial product concentration (8 marks)
- (d) Protein A chromatography (4 marks)

Q5. Write descriptive notes on the following

- (a) Pharmacopeia and monographs (7 marks)
- (b) The various grades of water and their uses in Biopharmaceutical industry (8 marks)
- (c) Biopharma QC testing and production support (10 marks)

Q6 Write a descriptive account of Clean rooms using the following.

- (a) Definition of a clean room as used in biopharmaceutical production (2 marks)
- (b) Contamination sources (2 marks)
- (c) Clean room classification (7 marks)
- (d) Clean room contamination control (8 marks)
- (e) Clean room monitoring (6 marks)