

CUET MCQ Questions from UNIT 4 (1)

1. Genetic engineering involves:

- A. Manipulating the physical structure of organisms
- B. Altering the genetic material of organisms
- C. Controlling the environment of organisms
- D. Changing protein sequences directly

2. Which of the following is a key tool in recombinant DNA technology?

- A. Centrifuge
- B. Restriction enzyme
- C. Spectrophotometer
- D. Chromatograph

3. The first step in recombinant DNA technology is:

- A. DNA isolation
- B. Cloning
- C. Gene transfer
- D. Protein synthesis.

4. In genetic engineering, vectors are used to:

- A. Replicate cells
- B. Transport genes into host cells
- C. Produce proteins
- D. Clone organisms

5. DNA ligase is crucial for:

- A. Cutting DNA
- B. Amplifying DNA
- C. Joining DNA fragments
- D. Sequencing DNA

6. The polymerase chain reaction (PCR) is used for:

- A. DNA replication in vivo
- B. Amplifying DNA in vitro
- C. Protein synthesis
- D. RNA translation

7. A common host organism used in genetic engineering is:

- A. E. coli

- B. Bacillus
- C. Saccharomyces
- D. Clostridium

8. Restriction enzymes are derived from:

- A. Plants
- B. Viruses
- C. Bacteria
- D. Fungi

9. Golden Rice is an example of:

- A. Hybridization
- B. A genetically modified organism (GMO)
- C. Tissue culture
- D. Conventional breeding

10. Gel electrophoresis is used for:

- A. DNA isolation
- B. Separating DNA fragments by size
- C. Protein synthesis
- D. Gene transfer

11. The first recombinant DNA product was:

- A. Insulin
- B. Human growth hormone
- C. Interferon
- D. Penicillin

12. Plasmids in recombinant DNA technology act as:

- A. Enzymes
- B. Vectors
- C. Proteins
- D. Membranes

13. Agrobacterium tumefaciens is commonly used to transfer genes into:

- A. Bacteria
- B. Animals
- C. Plants
- D. Fungi

14. Restriction enzymes recognize:

- A. Random sequences
- B. Palindromic sequences
- C. RNA primers
- D. Repetitive sequence.

15. Ti plasmid is used for:

- A. Protein synthesis
- B. Gene editing in animals
- C. Genetic modification in plants
- D. DNA isolation

16. In genetic engineering, transformation refers to:

- A. Cloning of DNA
- B. Introducing foreign DNA into a host cell
- C. Separating DNA fragments
- D. Amplifying RNA

17. Sticky ends in DNA are formed by:

- A. DNA ligase
- B. Restriction enzymes
- C. RNA polymerase
- D. Helicase

18. The enzyme used in PCR to synthesize DNA is:

- A. RNA polymerase
- B. DNA polymerase
- C. Taq polymerase
- D. Ligase

19. The gene gun method is primarily used for:

- A. Bacteria
- B. Fungi
- C. Plants
- D. Viruses.

20. Complementary DNA (cDNA) is synthesized from:

- A. RNA
- B. DNA
- C. Proteins

D. Lipids

21. A GMO is an organism that:

- A. Has altered metabolic pathways
- B. Contains foreign DNA
- C. Is resistant to diseases
- D. Produces extra proteins

22. Bt cotton is genetically engineered to:

- A. Resist herbicides
- B. Produce insecticidal proteins
- C. Increase water retention
- D. Enhance fiber quality

23. In vectors, antibiotic resistance genes are used for:

- A. Enhancing growth
- B. Selecting transformed cells
- C. Producing proteins
- D. Eliminating mutations

24. The steps in PCR are:

- A. Denaturation, annealing, extension
- B. Transcription, translation, replication
- C. Isolation, amplification, cloning
- D. Ligation, transformation, selection

25. A genomic library contains:

- A. All expressed genes
- B. All mRNA molecules
- C. Entire genome fragments
- D. Only coding regions of DNA

26. A major ethical concern of genetic engineering is:

- A. High cost
- B. Environmental impact
- C. Alteration of natural species
- D. Use of complex tools

27. The primary goal of the Human Genome Project was to:

- A. Create new proteins

- B. Map all human genes
- C. Clone humans
- D. Develop vaccines

28. RNA interference (RNAi) is used in genetic engineering to:

- A. Increase protein synthesis
- B. Silence specific genes
- C. Replace faulty DNA
- D. Repair DNA damage

29. Bioreactors are used for:

- A. Cloning organisms
- B. Large-scale protein production
- C. Gene editing
- D. DNA sequencing

30. Gene therapy involves:

- A. Cloning organisms
- B. Introducing healthy genes to treat diseases
- C. Vaccinating against pathogens
- D. Modifying proteins

31. A genetically modified organism (GMO) is an organism whose genetic material has been:

- A. Naturally evolved
- B. Artificially modified
- C. Mutated due to radiation
- D. Crossbred with other species

32. In Bt crops, "Bt" stands for:

- A. Biotech technology
- B. Bacillus thuringiensis
- C. Biological toxin
- D. Biotechnology term

33. Which of the following is a genetically modified Bt crop?

- A. Bt Cotton
- B. Golden Rice
- C. Hybrid Maize
- D. Organic Wheat

34. A transgenic animal is created by:

- A. Selective breeding
- B. Genetic engineering
- C. Cloning
- D. Natural mutation

35. The primary purpose of Bt crops is to:

- A. Increase growth rate
- B. Resist pests
- C. Enhance flavor
- D. Tolerate herbicides

36. Biosafety concerns about GMOs include:

- A. Allergies
- B. Loss of biodiversity
- C. Gene transfer to wild relatives
- D. All of the above

37. Which of these is a transgenic animal?

- A. Dolly the Sheep
- B. GloFish
- C. Zebrafish
- D. Clydesdale Horse

38. Biopiracy refers to:

- A. Illegal poaching of animals
- B. Unauthorized use of biological resources
- C. Theft of genetic material
- D. Both B and C

39. Golden rice is genetically modified to combat:

- A. Iron deficiency
- B. Vitamin A deficiency
- C. Protein deficiency
- D. Caloric deficiency

40. A patent in biotechnology grants:

- A. Ownership of biological organisms
- B. Exclusive rights to an invention

- C. Universal use of technology
- D. Access to natural resources

41. GMOs designed for herbicide tolerance allow:

- A. Enhanced photosynthesis
- B. Resistance to pests
- C. Survival after herbicide application
- D. Increased water absorption

42. Aqu Advantage Salmon grows faster due to:

- A. Enhanced diet
- B. Genetic modification
- C. Warmer water habitats
- D. Crossbreeding with larger fish

43. Transgenic animals are created for:

- A. Studying diseases
- B. Producing pharmaceuticals
- C. Enhancing food production
- D. All of the above

44. The Cartagena Protocol focuses on:

- A. Food security
- B. Biosafety of GMOs
- C. Wildlife conservation
- D. Industrial pollution

45. Patents on GMOs raise ethical issues because:

- A. They increase costs for farmers
- B. Limit access to technology
- C. Exploit indigenous knowledge
- D. All of the above

46. The toxin produced by Bt crops affects:

- A. Humans
- B. Beneficial insects
- C. Specific pests
- D. All organisms

47. The first genetically modified crop approved for commercial production was:

- A. Bt Cotton
- B. Golden Rice
- C. Flavr Savr Tomato
- D. GM Soybean

48. One major biosafety concern regarding GMOs is:

- A. Improved crop yield
- B. Insect resistance development
- C. Increased food production
- D. Lower pesticide use

49. Bt cotton is genetically modified to protect against:

- A. Leaf rust
- B. Root nematodes
- C. Bollworms
- D. Aphids

50. Cry genes in Bt crops encode:

- A. Enzymes
- B. Pest-resistant proteins
- C. Growth hormones
- D. Herbicides

CUET MCQ Questions from UNIT 4 (2)

- 1. Human insulin produced using recombinant DNA technology is called:**
 - A. Synthetic insulin
 - B. Recombinant insulin
 - C. Natural insulin
 - D. Bacterial insulin

- 2. The human insulin gene is inserted into which organism for mass production?**
 - A. Bacteria
 - B. Plants
 - C. Yeast
 - D. Algae

- 3. Gene therapy is used to:**
 - A. Replace defective genes
 - B. Remove unwanted proteins
 - C. Modify bacteria
 - D. Treat fungal infections

- 4. Which disease is a target for gene therapy?**
 - A. Diabetes
 - B. Severe Combined Immunodeficiency (SCID)
 - C. Cancer
 - D. Tuberculosis

- 5. Golden rice is an example of:**
 - A. Biofortification
 - B. Bioremediation
 - C. GM crops for pest resistance
 - D. Hydroponics

- 6. The production of vaccines using biotechnology involves:**
 - A. Cloning pathogens
 - B. Generating recombinant proteins
 - C. Modifying DNA structure
 - D. Isolating natural antibodies

- 7. Bt toxin in genetically modified crops is derived from:**
 - A. *Bacillus thuringiensis*

- B. *Escherichia coli*
- C. *Streptococcus pneumoniae*
- D. *Pseudomonas fluorescens*

8. The first genetically modified crop introduced in India was:

- A. Bt Cotton
- B. Golden Rice
- C. Bt Brinjal
- D. Herbicide-Resistant Corn

9. *Agrobacterium tumefaciens* is used in genetic engineering as:

- A. A pest
- B. A natural genetic engineer
- C. A pathogen
- D. A growth hormone

10. The recombinant Hepatitis B vaccine is produced in:

- A. Yeast
- B. Bacteria
- C. Fungi
- D. Viruses

11. GM crops like soybean are modified for:

- A. Pest resistance
- B. Drought tolerance
- C. Herbicide resistance
- D. Disease resistance

12. Transgenic animals are used for:

- A. Producing vaccines
- B. Testing drug safety
- C. Gene therapy research
- D. All of the above

13. The first product of recombinant DNA technology was:

- A. Human Insulin
- B. Hepatitis B Vaccine
- C. Antibiotics
- D. Golden Rice

14. Edible vaccines are produced in:

- A. Bacteria
- B. Plants
- C. Animals
- D. Fungi

15. DNA fingerprinting is used for:

- A. Solving crimes
- B. Paternity testing
- C. Genetic diversity studies
- D. All of the above

16. CRISPR-Cas9 is used in biotechnology for:

- A. Gene editing
- B. DNA replication
- C. Protein synthesis
- D. Vaccine production

17. The production of pharmaceuticals using genetically modified organisms is known as:

- A. Biopharming
- B. Biotechnology
- C. Genetic therapy
- D. Bioremediation

18. Which vaccine is an example of a genetically engineered product?

- A. Polio vaccine
- B. Hepatitis B vaccine
- C. Smallpox vaccine
- D. Rabies vaccine

19. Restriction enzymes are used in genetic engineering to:

- A. Cut DNA at specific sites
- B. Replicate DNA
- C. Synthesize proteins
- D. Repair damaged DNA

20. Which of these is a genetically modified crop for pest resistance?

- A. Bt Brinjal
- B. Hybrid Tomato

- C. Rice Varieties
- D. Sugarcane

21. Gene cloning involves:

- A. Amplifying a specific gene
- B. Cloning an organism
- C. Cutting DNA randomly
- D. None of the above

22. Golden rice is enriched with:

- A. Vitamin A
- B. Vitamin B
- C. Vitamin C
- D. Vitamin D

23. Somatic gene therapy involves modifications in:

- A. Somatic cells
- B. Germ cells
- C. Embryos
- D. Fertilized eggs

24. Genetically modified organisms are used in healthcare for:

- A. Antibiotic production
- B. Vaccine development
- C. Hormone production
- D. All of the above

25. Antisense RNA technology is used to:

- A. Block specific gene expression
- B. Synthesize proteins
- C. Enhance gene expression
- D. Repair DNA

26. Biosensors in biotechnology detect:

- A. DNA mutations
- B. Environmental toxins
- C. Pathogens
- D. All of the above

27. The first artificial vaccine developed using recombinant technology was for:

- A. Hepatitis B
- B. Polio
- C. Measles
- D. Tuberculosis

28. Antibodies produced in genetically modified plants are known as:

- A. Plantibodies
- B. Phytoproteins
- C. Immunomodulators
- D. None of the above

29. Ethical concerns about gene therapy include:

- A. Safety
- B. Accessibility
- C. Genetic inequality
- D. All of the above

30. Biopesticides derived from biotechnology are:

- A. Organic chemicals
- B. Natural organisms or their byproducts
- C. Artificial compounds
- D. Synthetic proteins

31. An example of biopiracy is:

- A. Exporting crops legally
- B. Unauthorized patenting of neem or turmeric properties
- C. Developing hybrid plants
- D. Preserving biodiversity in reserves

32. Transgenic animals are used to:

- A. Study ecosystems
- B. Increase crop production
- C. Produce therapeutic proteins
- D. Generate renewable energy

33. Herbicide-tolerant GMOs help farmers by:

- A. Increasing the crop yield
- B. Killing beneficial organisms
- C. Simplifying weed control
- D. Enhancing biodiversity

34. Which organization oversees GMO safety in India?

- A. ICAR
- B. GEAC
- C. NABARD
- D. NGT

35. Bioprospecting is the:

- A. Illegal use of natural resources
- B. Study of biological resources for commercial use
- C. Exploitation of indigenous knowledge
- D. Preservation of endangered species

36. A key benefit of Bt crops is:

- A. Enhanced taste
- B. Reduced pesticide use
- C. Faster growth rates
- D. Increased herbicide tolerance

37. A biosafety issue associated with GMOs is:

- A. Increased crop yields
- B. Potential allergenicity
- C. Improved shelf life
- D. Reduced need for fertilizers

38. Transgenic plants can produce:

- A. Pesticides
- B. Vaccines
- C. Growth hormones
- D. Antibiotics

39. The precautionary principle in biosafety means:

- A. Avoiding all GMOs
- B. Taking preventive action before harm occurs
- C. Banning genetically modified crops
- D. Promoting GMOs globally

40. Which international agreement addresses GMO safety?

- A. Kyoto Protocol
- B. Montreal Protocol

- C. Cartagena Protocol
- D. Basel Convention

41. Which of the following contributes most to plastic pollution in oceans?

- A. Agricultural runoff
- B. Industrial spills
- C. Improper disposal of single-use plastics
- D. Overfishing

42. Green energy sources include:

- A. Coal and natural gas
- B. Solar and wind energy
- C. Nuclear power
- D. Geothermal and fossil fuels

43. A primary pollutant released by vehicles is:

- A. Methane
- B. Carbon monoxide
- C. Ozone
- D. Nitric acid

44. Excessive phosphates in water bodies primarily lead to:

- A. Eutrophication
- B. Thermal pollution
- C. Water scarcity
- D. Biodiversity gain

45. Waste-to-energy technology involves:

- A. Incinerating waste to generate power
- B. Composting biodegradable waste
- C. Recycling plastic waste
- D. Producing biofuels from algae

46. A sustainable alternative to chemical pesticides is:

- A. Organic farming using biopesticides
- B. Increasing pesticide application rates
- C. Landfilling excess pesticides
- D. Replacing fertilizers with synthetic chemicals

47. Pollination is an example of:

- A. Air pollution control
- B. An ecological service
- C. Solid waste management
- D. Thermal pollution reduction

48. Carbon sequestration refers to:

- A. Increasing carbon emissions
- B. Capturing and storing atmospheric carbon dioxide
- C. Removing carbon from fossil fuels
- D. None of the above

49. Which of the following is a waterborne disease caused by pollution?

- A. Malaria
- B. Cholera
- C. Tuberculosis
- D. Typhoid

50. A key challenge in recycling plastics is:

- A. High energy requirements
- B. Limited availability of plastics
- C. High biodegradability of plastics
- D. Lack of demand for recycled products