

CORE COURSE VII- rDNA TECHNOLOGY

UNIT- I

Outline process of genetic engineering and recombinant DNA technology, Isolation of genes, exonuclease & endonuclease, Concept of restriction and modification - Restriction endonucleases, DNA modifying enzymes, Ligases. Different Kinds of Vectors - Plasmids, Phage vectors, Cosmids, Phagemids, Virus vectors, Shuttle vectors and expression vectors- YAC, BAC- *S. cerevisiae* system as a model.

UNIT -II

Host-vector system - Cloning vectors for *E. coli.*, Cloning vectors for Eukaryotes- methods of transformation - Cloning strategies, construction of genomic libraries and cDNA Libraries. Probe construction, recombinant selection and screening, Molecular cloning.

UNIT -III

Analysis of expression. Analysis of recombinant DNA (Selection methods – antibiotics, expression basis, GUS expression), sequencing (chemical degradation; chain termination and automated sequence). mutagenesis, altered expression and engineering genes. Site-directed mutagenesis.

DNA amplification using polymerase chain reaction (PCR): key concepts, Analysis of amplified products. Southern blot, Northern blot and Western blot Applications of PCR : Ligase chain reaction. RFLP, RAPD, DNA Finger printing.

UNIT -IV

Application of rDNA Technology in plants: Transgenic plants with reference to virus and pest resistances, herbicide tolerance and stress tolerance (cold, heat and salt); cytoplasmic male sterility; delay of fruit ripening; resistance to fungi and bacteria, Bio-pharmaceuticals and secondary metabolite production.

UNIT -V

Application of rDNA Technology in animals: Transgenic animals –pharmaceutical production; insulin production. farm animal protection; Gene therapy – haemopoietic cells, genetically engineered bone marrow cells, skin fibroblasts, hepatocytes, myoblast and genetically modified lymphocytes – Recombinant Technology in the production of vaccines.

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