

**SARDAR PATEL UNIVERSITY**  
**Programme: MSc (Biochemistry)**  
**Semester: III**  
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<b>Paper Code:</b> PS03CBIC01	<b>Total Credits: 4</b>
<b>Title Of Paper:</b> R - Dna Technology	

Unit	Description in detail	Weightage (%)
1	Basic techniques involved in r-DNA technology. Concept and emergence of r-DNA technology. Relevance and future prospects. Principles involved, preparation and purification of genomic DNA from eukaryotic and prokaryotic organisms, plasmid DNA and bacteriophage DNA preparation. Generation of DNA fragments: Methods available and their advantages and Disadvantages; Ultrasonication; Restriction enzyme digestion and shearing of DNA. Cloning vectors – Plasmid and phage biology; vectors based on plasmids, cosmids, λ, M13, phagemids, yeast artificial chromosomes (YACs), Bacterial Artificial Chromosomes (BACs) and animal viruses.	25 %
2	DNA modifying enzymes: Ligation: reaction kinetics and factors affecting ligation. Introduction of DNA/RNA in bacteria, yeast, fungi and in other eukaryotic host systems. Selection and screening of recombinant clones: Direct and indirect methods; probe selection and labelling; methods based on nucleic acid hybridization; immunochemical methods; reporter genes and other emerging methods for clone identification. In vitro translation.	25 %
3	<b>Generation of genomic and cDNA libraries:</b> Methods and strategies for preparation and screening of genomic and cDNA libraries; Advantages and disadvantages of various methods. Applications of the genomic and cDNA libraries. <b>Characterization of cloned DNA:</b> Mapping and DNA fingerprinting: Physical and molecular mapping. Methodology, merits and demerits and applications of Restriction mapping; RFLP; RAPD; AFLP; SSR; REMAP and SCAR analysis.	25 %
4	DNA sequencing: Principles and methods for DNA sequencing. Sequencing of whole genomes; data submission and validation. Polymerase Chain Reaction: Principle and basic types of PCR; Reverse Transcription and Real Time PCRs; Factors affecting PCR; Applications and precautions. <b>Modification of cloned DNA:</b> Techniques available, advantages and limitations of random and site-directed mutagenesis. Applications of DNA modifications in genetic engineering. <b>Applications of recombinant DNA technology:</b> Applications of genetic engineering in improvement of plants, animals and microbes; Gene therapy, pharmaceutical products and molecular diagnostics; Marker Assisted Selection; Molecular Pharming. Restriction and regulation for the release of GMOs. Patenting and IPR	25 %

**Basic Text & Reference Books:**

- Recombinant DNA: Watson et. al.
- Genetic engineering : Sandhya Mitra
- Principles of gene manipulation : Old & Primrose
- Gene cloning : T. A. Brown
- Molecular cloning: Sambrook and Russel
- From genes to clones: Ernst Whittaker

