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香港中文大學 The Chinese University of Hong Kong

Course Examinations 2001-02 年度科目考試

Course Code & Title	科目編號及名稱		lar Basis of Biochemistr	
Time allowed	诗間: 2	hours 小時	minutes 分貨	童
Student I.D. No. 學生	上編號:		Seat No. 座號:	

Answer parts I and II in separate answer books.

Part I (50 marks) Attempt BOTH question 1 and 2.

- 1. (30 marks) Choose either question A or question B.
 - A. Design an experiment to indicate the path of a biosynthesized product is transported directionally outside the cell.
 - B. Describe how you can demonstrate experimentally the shift from attractant to repellent in the suspension medium changes the <u>rotational direction</u> of the *E. coli* flagellar bundle.
- 2. (20 marks) Choose either question A or question B.
 - A. Describe the cytoskeletal events responsible for the cell amoeboid movement; provide an explanation to how the driving force is generated.
 - B. What is the role played by centrosome and its accessory spindle fibres in cell division?

Part II (50 marks) Question 3 is compulsory and answer ANY ONE from questions 4-5.

- 3. (30 marks) Write brief notes on ANY TWO of the following topics: (compulsory)
 - A. Roles of calcium and calmodulin in signal transduction
 - B. Numerical and structural abnormalities of human chromosomes.
 - C. Characteristics and functional roles of gap junctions.
- 4 (20 marks) The human genome is the term used to describe the total genetic information in human cells. It really comprises two genomes: a nuclear genome and a mitochondrial genome.
 - A. Describe the classification, organization and distribution of genes in the nuclear genome.
 - B. Compare and contrast the characteristics of these two genomes.
- 5. (20 marks) Signal transduction cascades can be mediated by the adenylate cyclase, phosphatidylinositol 4,5-bisphosphate or ras protein. Explain briefly the similarities of and differences among these three pathways.