

JAYPEE UNIVERSITY OF INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY, WAKNAGHAT

End SEMESTER EXAMINATION-2015

B.Tech VIth Semester

COURSE CODE: 10B11BT614

MAX. MARKS: 45

COURSE NAME: Fermentation Technology & Downstream Processing

COURSE CREDITS: 04

MAX. TIME: 3 HRS

Note: All questions are compulsory.

Section A

(Marks: 10)

1. List the two important application of Lactic acid.
2. What is Clavulanic acid?
3. What do you understand by salting out?
4. What are the characteristics of secondary metabolites?
5. Why the production of citric acid should not be carried out in iron vessels?
6. What are the physical conditions required for the animal cell culture?
7. Why the productivity in chemostat is higher than that of in batch culture?
8. Write down the principle of distillation.
9. When the feed and solvent are fully miscible, is extraction still possible? Justify your answer.
10. Why formulation of the biomolecules is important?

Section B

(Marks: 15)

1. a) Small food particles with diameter 10^{-2} mm and density 1.03 g cm^{-3} are suspended in liquid of density 1.00 g cm^{-3} . The viscosity of the liquid is 1.25 mPa s . A tubular-bowl centrifuge of length 70 cm and radius 11.5 cm is used to separate the particles. If the centrifuge is operated at 10,000 rpm, estimate the feed flow rate at which the food particles are just removed from the suspension. [3]
- b) Why DNA removal is important while intracellular protein recovery/purification? [2]

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