STELLA MARIS COLLEGE (AUTONOMOUS) CHENNAI –600 086 (For candidates admitted from the academic year 2010 - 11 & thereafter)

SUBJECT CODE: BI/PC/BP24

M. Sc. DEGREE EXAMINATION, APRIL 2011 BIOINFORMATICS SECOND SEMESTER

COURSE : MAJOR - CORE PAPER : BIOPHYSICS TIME : 3 HOURS

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SECTION - A

ANSWER ALL THE QUESTIONS

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Define / Explain the following:

- 1. Explain stokes and antistokes line.
- 2. What is absorption and emission spectra?
- 3. Define Fluorescence.
- 4. Explain entropy of a system.
- 5. State the laws of thermodynamics.
- 6. Explain Chemical Shift.
- 7. Explain Spin-Spin interaction.
- 8. Explain 2D NMR.
- 9. Give the applications of Infrared Spectroscopy to nucleic acid.
- 10. What is meant by denaturation?
- 11. Define resolution in X-ray diffraction technique.
- 12. Why X-ray is used to determine the structure of macromolecule?
- 13. What is super saturated state in crystallography?
- 14. Define Bragg's law
- 15. Give the peptide ion fragmentation take place in MS-MS analysis
- 16. How the sequest algorithm works?
- 17. Explain the term goniometer in crystallography
- 18. Explain the principle of mass spectrometry
- 19. Give the applications of chemical force microscopy
- 20. What are the methods available to determine the 3D structure of a molecule?

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SECTION - B

Answer any FOUR of the following; each answers not exceeding 500 words. Draw diagram wherever necessary. (4x10=40)

- 21. Explain the basic principle of atomic force microscopy and describe its applications.
- 22. Explain the basic theory of fluorescence spectroscopy.
- 23. Explain the relationship between entropy, enthalpy and free energy.
- 24. Describe the methods for crystal growth.
- 25. ATP is the universal currency for free energy in biological system explain the statement.
- 26. What are thermodynamic principles? Give an account on spontaneity of biological reactions?
- 27. Write short notes on relaxations and intramolecular shielding.

SECTION - C

Answer any TWO of the following, each answer not exceeding 1200 words. Draw diagram wherever necessary. (2x20=40)

- 28. Explain in detail the principle, operation of NMR spectroscopy technique. Give its applications to biological molecules.
- 29. Write notes on MALDI mass spectrometer and explain about the mass analyzers.
- 30. Write an essay on the principle and application of Infrared spectroscopy for studying biomolecules.
- 31. How are the 3D macromolecular structure elucidated by x-ray diffraction methods.
