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**SEPTEMBER 2020\_1 EXAMINATION**

**COURSE CODE: BIO416**

**COURSE TITLE: INDUSTRIAL MICROBIOLOGY**

**CREDIT: 3 units**

**TIME ALLOWED: 2½ Hours**

**INTRUCTION: Answer question ONE (1) and any other FOUR (4) questions**

- 1a.** Describe the nature of industrial microbiology (4 mks)
- b.** State three characteristics of a suitable microorganism for industrial uses (3 mks)
- c.** Define the term bioprospecting (1½ mks)
- d.** Give four examples of microbial cultures sourced from natural materials (2 marks)
- e.** Explain the term culture media (3½ mks)
- f.** Discuss different types of media (8mks)
  
- 2a.** Discuss three different methods of plate technique (9mks)
- b.** List three examples of mutagen (3mks)
  
- 3a.** What is lyophilisation? (1mk)
- b.** Explain lyophilisation technique (3mks)
- c.** List and explain three methods of microbial culture storage at reduced temperature (8mks)
  
- 4a.** What is Recombinant DNA Technology? (1mks)
- b.** State 8 conditions for producing a genetically engineered bacterium (8mks)
- c.** Describe Genetic Manipulation of Microorganisms (3mks)
  
- 5a.** State any five features of the top fermenting yeasts (5mks)
- b.** Explain the malting process (4mks)
- c.** Explain briefly kelming (3mks)
  
- 6a.** Discuss the term Wine (5mks)
- b.** Explain the term spirit (4mks)
- c.** Explain the production of sufu (3mks)