Biotechnology and genetic modification – 2020 IGCSE 0610

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Genes can be inserted into crop plants to make them resistant to herbicides.

Which process is this an example of?

A antibiotic resistance

B genetic engineering

C natural selection

D selective breeding

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Which are reasons why bacteria are often useful in biotechnology?

1 lack of ethical concerns over their manipulation and growth

2 they have the same genetic code as all other organisms

3 their DNA is located in a nucleus that can easily be altered with enzymes

A 1 and 2 only **B** 1 and 3 only **C** 1, 2 and 3 **D** 2 and 3 only

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The stages describe how genetic engineering can be used to produce human insulin from bacteria.

1 cut bacterial plasmid DNA with restriction enzymes

2 extract gene for insulin from human DNA with restriction enzymes

3 insert recombinant plasmid into bacteria

4 join human DNA to bacterial plasmid DNA using DNA ligase

5 replicate bacteria containing recombinant plasmid

Which sequence will lead to the production of human insulin by bacteria?

 $A \quad 2 \rightarrow 1 \rightarrow 4 \rightarrow 3 \rightarrow 5$

 $\textbf{B} \quad 2 \rightarrow 5 \rightarrow 1 \rightarrow 3 \rightarrow 4$

 $\mathbf{C} \quad 4 \to 2 \to 3 \to 1 \to 5$

 $\textbf{D} \quad 4 \rightarrow 3 \rightarrow 5 \rightarrow 1 \rightarrow 2$

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Bacteria are used to make insulin.

This happens in several stages.

- bacteria synthesise insulin in fermenters
- 2 the insulin gene is inserted into a bacterial plasmid
- 3 removal of the insulin gene from a human chromosome
- 4 a section of a plasmid is removed

In which order do these stages occur?

- **A** $1 \rightarrow 3 \rightarrow 2 \rightarrow 4$
- Palpa Cambridge **B** $1 \rightarrow 4 \rightarrow 3 \rightarrow 2$
- $\textbf{C} \quad 4 \rightarrow 2 \rightarrow 3 \rightarrow 1$
- **D** $4 \rightarrow 3 \rightarrow 2 \rightarrow 1$