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GUJARAT TECHNOLOGICAL UNIVERSITY
BACHELOR OF ENGINEERING – SEMESTER 6 – EXAMINATION – SUMMER 2026

Subject Code: 3160415

Date: 29/05/2026

Subject Name: Rational Drug Design

Time: 10:30 AM TO 01:00 PM

Total Marks: 70

Instructions:

- 1. Attempt all questions.**
- 2. Make suitable assumptions wherever necessary.**
- 3. Figures to the right indicate full marks.**
- 4. Simple and non-programmable scientific calculators are allowed.**

- Q.1** (a) Define drug discovery process. **03**
(b) Explain the role of bioinformatics in drug design. **04**
(c) Discuss structure-based and ligand-based drug design approaches with examples. **07**
- Q.2** (a) Define molecular mechanics. **03**
(b) Explain components of molecular mechanics energy function. **04**
(c) Explain hydrogen bonding and van der Waals interactions in drug–receptor binding. **07**
- OR
- Q.2** (c) Describe application of energy minimization in drug discovery. **07**
- Q.3** (a) Define molecular dynamics. **03**
(b) Explain importance of solvent effects in MD simulations. **04**
(c) Describe conformational changes studied using MD simulation. **07**
- OR
- Q.3** (a) Explain constant temperature and pressure simulations. **03**
(b) What are time-dependent properties measured in MD? **04**
(c) Discuss application of MD in drug discovery. **07**
- Q.4** (a) Define molecular docking. **03**
(b) Explain types of molecular docking. **04**
(c) Describe virtual screening workflow. **07**
- OR
- Q.4** (a) Define combinatorial chemistry. **03**
(b) What is drug likeness? **04**
(c) Explain ADMET property prediction. **07**
- Q.5** (a) Define pharmacophore. **03**
(b) List descriptors used in QSAR. **04**
(c) Explain QSAR methodology. **07**
- OR
- Q.5** (a) Define QSPR. **03**

- (b)** Explain role of neural networks in QSAR. **04**
- (c)** Describe pharmacophore-based virtual screening. **07**
