

UNIVERSITY OF JAFFNA, SRI LANKA  
BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN MEDICAL LABORATORY SCIENCES  
SECOND YEAR FIRST SEMESTER EXAMINATION – OCTOBER 2019  
MLSHE 2125 HAEMATOLOGY I  
PAPER II

Date: 28.10.2019

Time: 2 Hours

ANSWER ALL EIGHT QUESTIONS

1. Use of anticoagulants is mandatory for almost all the haematology tests.
  - 1.1. Name two anticoagulants used for haematological tests. (10 Marks)
  - 1.2. Mention the recommended concentrations of each mentioned in 1.1. (15 Marks)
  - 1.3. Name two (2) haematological tests done for each anticoagulant stated. Indicating ratio of anticoagulant to blood required. (20 Marks)
  - 1.4. Write the mode of action of each anticoagulant (20 Marks)
  - 1.5. Briefly describe the effects of excess anticoagulant on haematological tests. (35 Marks)
  
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  - 2.1. Define the term "haemopoiesis". (10 Marks)
  - 2.2. Mention the sites where haemopoiesis occur during fetal life and changes of haemopoiesis expected after birth. (30 Marks)
  - 2.3. Write the schematic diagram of granulopoiesis. (20 Marks)
  - 2.4. Describe the typical Morphology of Monocyte and Eosinophil (20 Marks)
  - 2.5. List two (2) causes for increase of each white blood cell type. (20 marks)
  
3. Automated haematology analyzers are widely used in haematology laboratories.
  - 3.1. Name two (2) techniques used for cell count in automated haematology analyzer. (10 Marks)
  - 3.2. Write the principles of each technique mentioned in 3.1. (30 Marks)
  - 3.3. List four (4) advantages of using automated haematology analyzer. (10 Marks)
  - 3.4. Outline how you would troubleshoot abnormal full blood count results in automated machine (30 Marks)
  - 3.5. Describe calibration requirements of automated FBC analyzers (20 Marks)

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- 4.1. List two (2) stains used for reticulocyte count. (10 Marks)
  - 4.2. List two (2) causes for reticulocytosis. (10 Marks)
  - 4.3. State the principle of reticulocyte count. (20 Marks)
  - 4.4. State how you would assure quality of reticulocyte stain and count. (30 Marks)
  - 4.5. Briefly describe how you would do a correction on total WBC count for Nucleated RBC. (30 Marks)
5. Write short notes on
- 5.1. Factors affecting Erythrocyte Sedimentation Rate. (30 Marks)
  - 5.2. Erythrocyte inclusions. (30 Marks)
  - 5.3. Key safety issues in haematology laboratory (40 Marks)
6. A blood sample of a female patient with suspected case of anaemia has the following finding in her Full Blood Count.  
Total WBC-  $8.3 \times 10^9/L$ , RBC-  $3.9 \times 10^{12}/L$ , Hb- 90g/L, Haematocrit- 0.36, MCV -75 fl  
MCH- 25pg, RDW (CV) - 27.8%
- 6.1. Describe the morphological classification of anaemias. (25 Marks)
  - 6.2. Mention the most appropriate morphological type of anaemia in this patient. (10 Marks)
  - 6.3. List (3) possible causes for the type you mentioned in 6.2. (15 Marks)
  - 6.4. State the red cell morphology you would expect on blood film of the above patient. (20 Marks)
  - 6.5. State the laboratory tests which will help in the diagnosis and identifying probable cause for this anaemia. (30 Marks)
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- 7.1. List two (2) indications for blood film examination. (10 marks)
  - 7.2. Name two (2) Romanowsky stains. (10 Marks)
  - 7.3. Write the principle of Romanowsky stain. (30 Marks)
  - 7.4. State the causes for poor quality blood picture. (20 Marks)
  - 7.5. Tabulate morphological criteria for the identification of *Plasmodium vivax* on thin film. (30 Marks)

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- 8.1. Define the term factitious thrombocytopenia indicating possible causes. (20 Marks)
- 8.2. Discuss how you would troubleshoot factitious thrombocytopenia (30 Marks)
- 8.3. Discuss different methods available for haemoglobin estimation. (30 Marks)
- 8.4. Outline how you would assure quality of results in manual Haemoglobin estimation method. (20 Marks)