



UNIVERSITY OF JAFFNA, SRI LANKA
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FIRST YEAR SECOND SEMESTER EXAMINATION IN BScHons (MLS)-2020

MLSMT 1213 MEDICAL LABORATORY TECHNOLOGY II

Date: 06.09.2022

Time: 2 Hour

Answer all Six Questions.

1. 1.1 Explain the working principle of atomic absorption spectroscopy. (20 Marks)
- 1.2 Describe the causes and corrective actions of the following interferences that may occur in atomic absorption spectroscopy.
 - 1.2.1 Spectral interferences (20 Marks)
 - 1.2.2 Chemical interferences (20 Marks)
 - 1.2.3 Ionization interference (20 Marks)
- 1.3 Briefly explain the advantages of Fourier-transform infrared (FTIR) spectrometers over Dispersive infrared spectrometers. (20 Marks)

2. 2.1 Describe the working principle of,
 - 2.1.1 Turbidimetry (20 Marks)
 - 2.1.2 Vacuum concentration (20 Marks)
 - 2.1.3 Freeze-drying or lyophilization (20 Marks)
- 2.2 Schematically explain the instrumentation of a double-beam UV-visible spectrophotometer. (40 Marks)

3. 3.1 A crude protein extract obtained from garlic gloves was found to contain protein X. The isoelectric pH of protein X is 5.0. Explain how you would separate protein X from the crude sample using ion exchange chromatography. (70 Marks)
- 3.2 Explain how Reverse phase High-Performance Liquid Chromatography (HPLC) differs from Normal phase HPLC. (30 Marks)

4. 4.1 Give the basic principle of,
- 4.1.1. Size exclusion chromatography (30 Marks)
 - 4.1.2. Hydrophobic interaction chromatography (30 Marks)
- 4.2 Explain how you would carry out a paper chromatography to separate amino acids. (40 Marks)
5. 5.1 Explain how Agarose Gel Electrophoresis is performed to separate DNA fragments obtained from Polymerase Chain Reaction. (80 Marks)
- 5.2 State the importance of using Ethidium Bromide in Agarose Gel Electrophoresis. (20 Marks)
6. Write short notes on
- 6.1 Working principle of Severinghaus-style PCO₂ electrode. (30 Marks)
 - 6.2 Applications of Mass spectrometry. (30 Marks)
 - 6.3 Advantages and limitations of total laboratory automation. (40 Marks)