

UNIVERSITY OF JAFFNA, SRI LANKA  
FACULTY OF ALLIED HEALTH SCIENCES  
FIRST YEAR FIRST SEMESTER EXAMINATION IN BPharmHons-2023  
PHABP 1153 -BIOCHEMISTRY FOR PHARMACY I  
PAPER II

Date: 16.12.2024

Time: 2 Hours

Answer All the Six Questions.

Answer Each Part in Separate Answer Books.

PART A

- 1 1.1 List four sugar derivatives. (10 Marks)
- 1.2 Explain why cellulose is not digested in the human digestive system. (10 Marks)
- 1.3 Explain why the arachidonic acid (ARA) and docosahexaenoic acid (DHA) are called conditionally essential fatty acids. (20 Marks)
- 1.4 List the significance of arachidonic acid (ARA) and docosahexaenoic acid (DHA) in humans. (10 Marks)
- 1.5 Briefly describe the passive transport with examples. (20 Marks)
- 1.6 Explain the biochemical basis of classifying the blood group antigens. (30 Marks)
  
- 2 2.1 Write short note on isoelectric point of a protein. (15 Marks)
- 2.2 Outline the steps involved in the eukaryotic protein synthesis. (45 Marks)
- 2.3 List the physical and chemical agents which denature proteins. (20 Marks)
- 2.4 2.4.1 Explain the condition emphysema. (05 Marks)
- 2.4.2 Explain the role of alpha -1 antitrypsin in preventing emphysema. (15 Marks)

PART B

- 3 3.1 List five examples for body buffers. (10 Marks)
- 3.2 Describe the advantages and disadvantages of the buffer system which is present in highest concentration in the body. (10 Marks)
- 3.3 List the enzymes and their functions in DNA replication. (20 Marks)
- 3.4 Write short notes on
  - 3.4.1 Phagocytosis. (10 Marks)
  - 3.4.2 Acquired immune response. (30 Marks)
- 3.5 3.5.1 Define the Km value of an enzyme. (05 Marks)
- 3.5.2 List the factors that affect the rate of enzyme-catalysed reactions. (15 Marks)

- 4 4.1 A new-born baby was jaundiced and returned to normal in two weeks time.
- 4.1.1 Name the probable condition. (05 Marks)
- 4.1.2 List the biochemical causes that can lead the above condition. (25 Marks)
- 4.2 Explain why and how the oxygen dissociation curves of haemoglobin and myoglobin differ. (30 Marks)
- 4.3 With regard to haemolytic jaundice, list
- 4.3.1 three conditions leading to the above condition. (06 Marks)
- 4.3.2 the biochemical changes that may occur in
- 4.3.2.1 Serum (04 Marks)
- 4.3.2.2 Urine (04 Marks)
- 4.3.2.3 Faeces (04 Marks)
- 4.3.3 Give reasons for the changes in the above biochemical parameters in
- 4.3.3.1 Serum (18 Marks)
- 4.3.3.2 Faeces and Urine (14 Marks)
- 5 5.1 5.1.1 Define Uncouplers. (05 Marks)
- 5.1.2 Give three examples for uncouplers (06 Marks)
- 5.1.3 Diagrammatically show how the uncouplers function. (09 Marks)
- 5.2 5.2.1 Give three examples for thiamine dependent enzyme catalysed reactions naming the substrate, enzyme, product/s and coenzymes. (30 Marks)
- 5.2.2 List five dietary sources of thiamine. (10 Marks)
- 5.3 Diagrammatically show and explain the biochemical function of Vitamin K. (40 Marks)
- 6 6.1 6.1.1 List the biochemical functions of thyroid hormone in different organs. (30 Marks)
- 6.2 List five dietary sources of iron. (10 Marks)
- 6.3 List the biochemical functions of
- 6.3.1 Zinc (10 Marks)
- 6.3.2 Copper (10 Marks)
- 6.4 In the gastro intestinal tract of an adult describe how the carbohydrates in the diet are
- 6.4.1 digested (25 Marks)
- 6.4.2 absorbed (15 Marks)