



**UNIVERSITY OF JAFFNA, SRI LANKA**  
**FACULTY OF ALLIED HEALTH SCIENCES**  
**FIRST YEAR SECOND SEMESTER EXAMINATION IN BScHons (MLS) - 2023**  
**MLSMT 1213 MEDICAL LABORATORY TECHNOLOGY II**

**Date: 20.06.2025**

**Time: 2 hours**

**Answer all Six Questions.**

1. 1.1 Describe the working principle of UV/Visible spectroscopy. (20 Marks)
- 1.2 Explain 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 State the clinical applications of Nephelometry. (20 Marks)
2. 2.1 Outline the principle of Hydrophobic Interaction chromatography. (20 Marks)
- 2.2 Explain the steps of performing a Hydrophobic Interaction chromatography to purify a newly invented drug molecule. (60 Marks)
- 2.3 Give the applications of gel permeation chromatography. (20 Marks)
3. 3.1 Briefly describe the scientific basis of DNA gel electrophoresis. (20 Marks)
- 3.2 Explain the usage of the following in a Protein gel electrophoresis.
  - 3.2.1. Bromophenol blue (20 Marks)
  - 3.2.2. Coomassie brilliant blue (20 Marks)
  - 3.2.3. Glycerol (20 Marks)
- 3.3 State the importance of using Ethidium Bromide in DNA Gel Electrophoresis. (20 Marks)

4. 4.1 Describe the principle of mass spectrometry. (50 marks)
- 4.2 Name four (4) different types of mass analyzers used in mass spectrometry. (20 marks)
- 4.3 Outline the steps of measuring serum electrolytes ( $\text{Na}^+$  and  $\text{K}^+$ ) in flame photometry. (30 Marks)
5. 5.1 Describe the working principle of,
- 5.1.1. Anion exchange chromatography. (20 Marks)
- 5.1.2. Paper chromatography (20 Marks)
- 5.2 Explain how thin-layer chromatography (TLC) can be used to identify the presence of an amino acid impurity in a purified drug sample (60 Marks)
6. Write short notes on
- 6.1 pH electrode. (25 Marks)
- 6.2 Clark-style amperometric  $\text{O}_2$  sensor. (25 Marks)
- 6.3 Pneumatic tube systems. (25 Marks)
- 6.4 Ion-Selective Electrodes. (25 Marks)