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FOURTH YEAR FIRST SEMESTER MAIN EXAMINATION

FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN MICROBIOLOGY

COURSE CODE:

BIO 410

COURSE TITLE:

IMMUNOLOGY

DATE:

11TH MARCH 2021

TIME: 2.00 P.M - 5.00 P.M

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

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REGULAR – MAIN EXAM

BIO 410: IMMUNOLOGY

DURATION: 3 Hours

STREAM: BSc. Microbiology

INSTRUCTION TO CANDIDATES

- i. Answer ALL questions from section A and any THREE from section B.
- ii. Diagrams should be used whenever they serve to illustrate the answer.
- iii. Do not write on the question paper.

SECTION A (24 MARKS)

Question One

a)	Explain an immune response?		(3 Marks)
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- b) Explain four characteristics of an immunogenic agent. (2 Marks)
- c) Highlight three effects of an immune disorder. (3 Marks)
- d) Distinguish between low affinity antibodies and high affinity antibodies. (2 Marks)

Question Two

- a) Outline the principle of precipitation. (2 Marks)
- b) Describe the intermolecular forces involved in Antigen- Antibody reactions. (4 Marks)
- c) Maturation of a B or T cell involves becoming immunocompetent. Explain (3 Marks)
- d) Explain role of normal flora in innate immunity. (3 Marks)

SECTION B (36 MARKS)

Question Three

- a) Explain the role played by B and T cells in the adaptive immune system (10 Marks)
- b) Point out two ways in which an adjuvant enhances an immune response. (2 Marks)

Question Four

- a) Which two main functional features characterize hematopoietic stem cells. (2 Marks)
- b) Elaborate what is implied by herd immunity during this COVID-19 pandemic. (4 Marks)
- c) Compare and contrast between specific immunity and non-specific immunity. (6 Marks)

Question Five a) Describe the procedure for direct agglutination test and expected results. (6 Marks) b) Discuss passive immunity. (6 Marks) **Question Six** a) Briefly describe the different sub-types of T-cells. (6 Marks) b) Outline the characteristics of:i. IgG (3 Marks) ii. IgM (3 Marks) **Question Seven** Write an essay on a) Indirect ELISA (6 Marks)

(6 Marks)

b) Factors affecting antigen-antibody reactions.