

MIC 213



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## UNIVERSITY EXAMINATIONS

### 2018 /2019 ACADEMIC YEAR

SECOND YEAR SECOND SEMESTER REGULAR EXAMINATION

FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF SCIENCE  
IN MICROBIOLOGY

COURSE CODE: MIC 213

COURSE TITLE: CELL BIOLOGY

DATE: 17<sup>TH</sup> APRIL, 2019

TIME: 9.00 AM – 12.00 PM

### INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

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**MIC 213: CELL BIOLOGY**

**STREAM: BSc in Microbiology**

**DURATION: 3 HOURS**

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**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.*
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**SECTION A (24 MARKS)**

**Question One**

- a) Define the term apoptosis (1 Mark)
- b) Describe the pathways that regulate the process of apoptosis. (3 Marks)
- c) State the cell theory. (1 Mark)
- d) Outline the exceptions to the cell theory. (3 Marks)
- e) Differentiate between passive and active transport in a cell membrane. (4 Marks)

**Question Two**

- a) Describe the composition of a mitochondrion. (3 Marks)
- b) Describe the types of cell junctions below:
  - i. Tight junctions (3 Marks)
  - ii. Adherens junctions (3 Marks)
  - iii. Desmosomes (3 Marks)

**SECTION B (36 Marks)**

**Question Three**

- a). State the contributions of the following scientists to the cell theory. (2 Marks)  
i). Rudolph Virchow  
ii). Matthias Schleiden
- b). Distinguish between endocytosis and exocytosis. (2 Marks)
- c). Tabulate four differences between mitosis and meiosis of cell division. (8 Marks)

**Question Four**

- a). Clearly point out six distinguishing features between prokaryotes and eukaryotes. (6 Marks)
- b). Explain any three significances of osmosis in plant. (6 Marks)

**Question Five**

- a). Explain the structural composition of the cell wall. (8 Marks)
- b). Describe two components of a cytoskeleton filament. (4 Marks)

**Question Six**

- a). Explain the different responses of a cell in different solute concentration. (4 Marks)
- b). Discuss any four factors affecting the rate of diffusion. (8 Marks)

**Question Seven**

- a). Write short notes on the following:-  
i. Vacuole (4 Marks)  
ii. Chromosomes (4 Marks)
- b). Explain the composition of a Gram Positive cell. (4 Marks)



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