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**UNIVERSITY EXAMINATIONS
2022/2023 ACADEMIC YEAR**

**THIRD YEAR SECOND SEMESTER MAIN PRACTICAL
EXAMINATION**

**FOR THE DEGREE
OF
BACHELOR OF MEDICAL LABORATORY SCIENCES &
MEDICAL BIOTECHNOLOGY**

COURSE CODE: MLC 300

COURSE TITLE: PRACTICUM I

DATE: 11TH APRIL 2023

TIME: 9.00 – 12.00 NOON

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

This paper is divided into three sections, **1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7** and **8** carrying respectively: **Haematology, Blood Transfusion Science, Clinical Chemistry, Microbiology, Medical Parasitology & Entomology, Histology & Cytology** and **Virology/Immunology**. Answer all questions.

TIME: 3 Hours

MMUST observes ZERO tolerance to examination cheating

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1. HAEMATOLOGY

2. You are provided with blood sample labeled **HM1**, reagents and apparatus.
 - i. Make a PBF **(5 marks)**
 - ii. Stain with the stain provided and write clearly staining procedure **(10 marks)**
 - iii. Examine and report on your finding **(5 marks)**
3. Use spot **HM2** provided to answer the questions below:
 - i. Name the spot **(2 marks)**
 - ii. State the use of the spot in Haematology Lab **(3 marks)**
4. Use spot **HM3** to answer the questions below:
 - i. Name the laboratory test done using the spot **(2 marks)**
 - ii. What is the normal range of the test you mentioned in (i) above **(3 marks)**

2. BLOOD TRANSFUSION SCIENCE

1. The sample labeled **BT1** is from a patient who requires urgent blood transfusion. Use the donors cells provided, reagents and apparatus to:
 - i. Perform compatibility testing **(10 marks)**
 - ii. Write down clearly the procedure **(5 marks)**
2. You are provided with samples labeled **BT2, BT3** and **BT4**, reagents and apparatus.
 - i. Group the samples **(6 marks)**
 - ii. Write down the procedure clearly **(4 marks)**
3. Use spot **BT 5** to answer the following questions:
 - i. Identify the spot **(2 marks)**
 - ii. Explain briefly how the spot is used in blood donor Centre **(3 marks)**

3. CLINICAL CHEMISTRY

1. You are provided with a sample labeled **C1**, apparatus and equipment. Use them to analyse the sample and answer the questions below:
 - i) What is the name of the test you have performed **(1 marks)**
 - ii) give the normal range of the metabolite in the condition above **(3 marks)**
 - iii) State **six (6)** signs and symptoms of the condition above **(6marks)**
2. You are provided with the spot labeled '**C2**'. Use it to answer the following questions.
 - i) Identify the spot **[2 marks]**
 - ii) State the principle of the spot **(3 marks)**
 - iii) Mention its use/s in clinical laboratory **[2 marks]**
 - iv) Explain how to maintain the spot in a clinical chemistry laboratory **(3marks)**

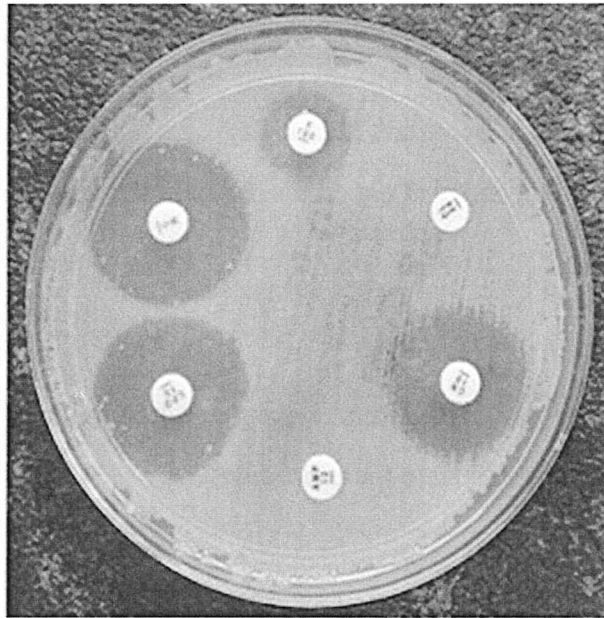
4. You are provided with urine specimen labeled "C3" obtained from a 50-year-old man for clinical examination at Kakamega County teaching and Referral Hospital. With reagents and apparatus provided:
- determine the substance/s contained in sample as far as possible. [6 marks]
 - Tabulate and comment your results [2 marks]
 - Suggest what further test/s can be carried out to confirm your findings [2 marks]

4. MICROBIOLOGY

1. M1 is an overnight culture growth.

- Outline the steps involved in the medium preparation (5 marks)
- Indicate the growth/morphological characteristics (2 marks)
- Perform the necessary biochemical test(s) using the reagents provided and indicate the principle of each of the test & results (8 marks)

2. Study Spot M2 & use it to answer the following questions.



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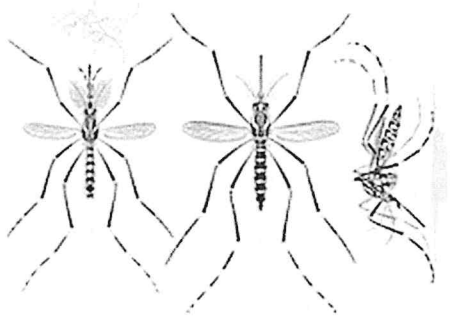
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| 1. AM- AMPICILLIN | 4. N- NEOMYCIN |
| 2. P- PENICILLIN | 5. K- KANAMYCIN |
| 3. VA- VANCOMYCIN | 6. CB- CARBENICILLIN |

- Name the spot, its significance & procedure for its preparation (8 marks)
- Read & tabulate your results (3 marks)

(iii) State 4 ways of the mode of action of antimicrobial agents (4 marks)

5. MEDICAL PARASITOLOGY AND MEDICAL ENTOMOLOGY

1.



- i. Identify the above organism and name the stages of the relevant parasite found within it in the course of the life cycle (3 marks)
 - ii. What is the medical significance of the parasite in question (12 marks)
2. You are provided with a sample labeled ME1, reagents and apparatus. Process the sample, outline your procedure and results (15 marks)

6. HISTOLOGY/CYTOLOGY

1. The sample marked **Hist-1** is a calcified uterine tissue that is undergoing decalcification.
 - i. Determine if the tissue is completely decalcified and state the procedure you have used (10mks)
 - ii. State any other two methods used to assess decalcification end point (5mks)
2. Use spots **Hist-2, Hist3, Hist4, and Hist 5** to answer the questions that follows;
 - a. Name and state the use of spot Hist-2 (4mks)
 - b. Describe how spot Hist-3 is used in routine histological practice (5mks)
 - c. Describe the importance of spot Hist-4 in Papanicolaou staining procedure (3mks)
 - d. Describe the chemical composition of 1litre of spot Hist-5 (3mks)

7. VIROLOGY/IMMUNOLOGY

1. You are provided with EDTA sample marked “V1”. Using the apparatus and reagents provided prepare a PBF, stain with the stains provided and:-

- a) Write down the staining procedure.
- b) Observe, draw and label the identified cells of the immune system.

NB: Leave the accomplished task on the bench for marking purposes **(15 marks)**.

2. Spot “V2” is a pictorial representation of the HIV Virus.

- (a) Name the parts labeled A-G **(7 marks)**
- (b) State the family to which spot “V1” belongs to **(2 Marks)**.
- (c) What condition is associated with the virus above **(1 mark)**.

3. Use spot V3 provided to answer the questions below

- (a) Identify the spot **(1 mark)**.
- (b) State the use of the spot **(1 marks)**
- (c) Explain the principle underlying the spot **(3 marks)**.

