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**DEPARTMENT OF PHARMACY**

**FOURTH BPHARM PART I EXAMINATION – DECEMBER 2017**

**PH 4112 ADVANCED MEDICINAL CHEMISTRY I (SEQ)**

**TIME: TWO HOURS**

**INSTRUCTIONS**

- There are **four (04)** questions in the SEQ paper.
- Answer **each** question in a separate booklet provided.
- No paper should be removed from the examination hall.
- Do not use any correction fluid.
- Use illustrations where necessary.

1. Answer **all** parts.

1.1 State **three** categories of adrenergic agonists based on their chemical structure, giving **one** example for each category. (30 marks)

1.2 Briefly describe the structure activity relationship of R<sub>1</sub> substitution on the amino nitrogen of β-phenylethanolamine adrenergic agonists. (40 marks)

1.3

1.3.1. Identify the pharmacodynamic “pharmacopore” given in the **Figure A** below. (10 marks)



**Figure A**

1.3.2. State the therapeutic use of compounds belonging to the pharmacopore mentioned in 1.3.1. (20 marks)

2. Answer **all** parts.

2.1 Describe the structure activity relationship of cholinergic agonists. (40 marks)

2.2. Describe essential requirements at H<sub>1</sub> receptor agonistic activity. (30 marks)

2.3. Explain characteristic chemical features of H<sub>1</sub> and H<sub>2</sub> antagonists. (30 marks)

3. Answer **all** parts.

3.1 Briefly explain the following (your answer should include appropriate chemical structures).

3.1.1. Phenanthrene group of compounds used as analgesics. (25 marks)

3.1.2. Tricyclic antidepressants. (25 marks)

- 3.2.
- 3.2.1. What is the principle of a bioassay technique? (10 marks)
  - 3.2.2. List **five** limitations of a bioassay technique. (10 marks)
  - 3.2.3. Name **five** bench-top and primary bioassay screening methods and **three** High-throughput screening methods. (10 marks)
  - 3.2.4. Briefly explain Brine-Shrimp Lethality Assay. (20 marks)

4. Answer **all** parts.

- 4.1. Describe the structure activity relationship of ester local anesthetics. (50 marks)
- 4.2. Draw the synthesis pathway of vitamin A via symmetrical cleavage of  $\beta$ -carotene. (10 marks)
- 4.3.
  - 4.3.1. Draw the structures of vitamin K1. (05 marks)
  - 4.3.2. State the function of vitamin K in the human body. (10 marks)
- 4.4. State the **three** main steps in eicosanoid biosynthesis and draw the eicosanoid pathway. (15 marks)
- 4.5. Specify the applications of Ferrous fumarate and Silver nitrate in the medical field. (10 marks)

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