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**FIRST BPHARM PART II EXAMINATION – JANUARY 2019**

**PH 1242 PHARMACEUTICS IB (SEQ)**

**TIME: TWO HOURS**

**INSTRUCTIONS**

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

**Part A**

**01.**

- 1.1. List **five** bulk characteristics of drugs. (10 marks)
- 1.2. Briefly describe **two** bulk characteristics which you mentioned in 1.1. (30 marks)
- 1.3. List **five** characteristic features of an ideal pharmaceutical suspension. (20 marks)
- 1.4. Describe **four** differences between a flocculated system and a deflocculated system. (40 marks)

**02.**

- 2.1. Differentiate lyophilic sols and lyophobic sols. (30 marks)
- 2.2. List **four** types of dispersion methods that are used to prepare lyophobic sols. (20 marks)
- 2.3. Briefly describe **one** method you mentioned in 2.2. (20 marks)
- 2.4. Write a short note on “vacuum distillation”. (30 marks)

**03.**

- 3.1. Define the following terms.
  - 3.1.1. Half-life of a drug (10 marks)
  - 3.1.2. Shelf-life of a drug (10 marks)
- 3.2. State **three** methods which are used to determine order of a reaction. (15 marks)
- 3.3. List **three** important reasons for testing drug stability. (15 marks)

## Part B

- 3.4. Define “one Becquerel” (1Bq) radioactivity. (10 marks)
- 3.5. Briefly explain the beta ( $\beta^-$ ) decay process and give an example. (16 marks)
- 3.6. Describe **three** basic methods which are used to reduce the radiation exposure when handling radiopharmaceuticals. (24 marks)

04.

- 4.1. What is meant by Newtonian and non-Newtonian fluids? (10 marks)
- 4.2. How does the viscosity vary with shear rate for question 4.1 fluids? (10 marks)
- 4.3. Briefly explain the following.
- 4.3.1. Thixotropic fluid (15 marks)
  - 4.3.2. Rheopectic fluid (15 marks)
- 4.4. Explain the half-life of a first order reaction. (15 marks)
- 4.5. The half-life of a first order reaction was found to be 3 hours at a certain temperature. What is its rate constant? (10 marks)
- 4.6. 6.0 g of X substance was decomposed for 48 minutes and found the mass of unreacted X remaining was 0.375 g. What is the half-life of this reaction, if it follows the **first order** kinetics? (15 marks)
- 4.7. Describe the concept of pseudo order reaction. (10 marks)

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