



UNIVERSITY OF RUHUNA – FACULTY OF MEDICINE
ALLIED HEALTH SCIENCES DEGREE PROGRAMME
FIRST BPHARM PART II EXAMINATION - JANUARY 2017
PH 1254 HUMAN BIOLOGY II (SEQ)

35

TIME: THREE HOURS

INSTRUCTIONS

- Answer all questions.
• No paper should be removed from the examination hall.
• Do not use any correction fluid.
• Use illustrations where necessary.

1.

1.1 Define the renal clearance of a substance? (10 marks)

Dotted lines for answer

1.2 List five factors that affect the Glomerular Filtration Rate (GFR). (20 marks)

Dotted lines for answer

1.3 Describe briefly difference between GFR and renal clearance. (20 marks)

Dotted lines for answer

1.4 Describe briefly what happens to Na+ which is filtered into the renal tubules. (20 marks)

Dotted lines for answer

26

1.5 List **two** hormones that are important for regulation of Na⁺ excretion from body.

(10 marks)

.....
.....

1.6 Describe briefly functions of **two** hormones produced by the kidney.

(20 marks)

.....
.....
.....
.....
.....
.....
.....
.....

2.

2.1

2.1.1 Describe the mechanism of development of resting membrane potential in a nerve cell. (25 marks)

.....
.....
.....
.....
.....
.....
.....
.....
.....
.....
.....
.....
.....
.....

2.1.2 Describe the mechanism of development of action potential in a nerve cell.

(25 marks)

.....
.....
.....
.....
.....
.....
.....
.....
.....
.....
.....
.....

38

3.

3.1 State the normal pH of arterial blood. (05 marks)

.....

3.2 State the major buffer systems in the blood. (15 marks)

.....

.....

.....

.....

.....

3.3 State the major intracellular buffers. (10 marks)

.....

.....

.....

.....

.....

3.4 Describe the role of kidney in the maintenance of pH in the body. (30 marks)

.....

.....

.....

.....

.....

.....

.....

.....

.....

.....

.....

.....

.....

.....

.....

3.5 Explain the term "metabolic acidosis". (20 marks)

.....

.....

.....

.....

.....

.....

.....

.....

3.6 State **two** diseases leading to metabolic acidosis. (10 marks)

.....
.....
.....

3.7 State a situation which results in respiratory alkalosis. (10 marks)

.....
.....

4. A lady is presented with polyuria. On examination, she was found to have central obesity and hypertension. She is currently on long-term prednisolone (a steroid drug) treatment.

4.1
4.1.1 What is the probable diagnosis? (10 marks)

.....
.....

4.1.2 What would be her ACTH level in this patient? (10 marks)

.....
.....
.....

4.1.3 What abnormality would you expect in her bones? (15 marks)

.....
.....
.....
.....
.....
.....
.....
.....
.....

4.1.4 Briefly explain how she developed polyuria. (15 marks)

.....
.....
.....
.....
.....
.....
.....
.....
.....

4.2

4.2.1 Explain the difference between isometric muscle contraction and isotonic muscle contraction, giving examples. (15 marks)

Dotted lines for writing the answer to question 4.2.1.

4.2.2 Explain the term "absolute refractory period" in relation to action potentials in a skeletal muscle. (15 marks)

Dotted lines for writing the answer to question 4.2.2.

4.2.3 Explain why skeletal muscle can be tetanized while cardiac muscle cannot be tetanized. (20 marks)

Dotted lines for writing the answer to question 4.2.3.

6.

6.1 Name three (03) endocrine organs located in the head and neck region. (10 marks)

.....
.....
.....

6.2 Briefly explain the blood supply to the thyroid gland. (20 marks)

.....
.....
.....
.....
.....
.....
.....

6.3 Name three (03) types of vertebrae. (10 marks)

.....
.....
.....
.....
.....

6.4 Explain the curvatures of the vertebral column. (20 marks)

.....
.....
.....
.....
.....
.....
.....

6.5 What are the main divisions of nervous system? (15 marks)

.....
.....
.....
.....

6.6 Briefly explain the anatomy of autonomic nervous system. (25 marks)

.....
.....
.....
.....
.....