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University Examinations 2022/2023

FOURTH YEAR SECOND SEMESTER SPECIAL/SUPPLEMENTARY EXAMINATION
FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN BIOTECHNOLOGY

SHC 3251: INTEGRATED BIOCHEMICAL TECHNIQUES I

DATE: AUGUST 2023

TIME: 2 HOURS

INSTRUCTIONS: Answer question *one* and any other *two* questions

QUESTION ONE (30 MARKS)

- a) Explain the factors that affect fluorescence (3 marks)
- b) Describe briefly the principle of ion exchange chromatography (4 marks)
- c) Distinguish between liquid and solid scintillation counting (3 marks)
- d) List the detectors used in Gas chromatography (3 marks)
- e) Outline the applications of manometry (3 marks)
- f) Distinguish excitation and emission wavelengths (3 marks)
- g) Describe the common techniques used for detecting colorless spots in paper chromatography (3 marks)
- h) Explain the term “Developing” in chromatography (2 marks)
- i) Describe the principle of Thin layer chromatography (3 marks)
- j) Outline the applications of tracer techniques in Biology



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QUESTION TWO (20 MARKS)

- a) Describe the basic principle of paper chromatography (10 marks)
- b) Discuss the operations of a Geiger Muller apparatus (10 marks)

QUESTION THREE (20 MARKS)

- a) Discuss the instrumentation of GC (10 marks)
- b) Explain the principle of separation in ion exchange chromatography (10 marks)

QUESTION FOUR (20 MARKS)

- a) Discuss the separation modes of HPLC (10 marks)
- b) Discuss different radioisotopes used in Biomedical and clinical uses (10 marks)

