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DEPARTMENT OF MEDICAL LABORATORY SCIENCES  
ACADEMIC YEAR 2018/2019 – SEMESTER I



BACHELOR OF MEDICAL LABORATORY SCIENCES HONOURS  
MDU6355 – IMMUNOHISTOCHEMISTRY – LEVEL 6  
FINAL EXAMINATION

DURATION: 03 HOURS

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DATE: 15.03.2019

TIME: 9.30AM – 12.30PM

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**Part B: Structured Essay Questions (40 marks)**

Q1

1.1 Name the secondary lymphoid organs. (04 Marks)

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1.2 Name the myeloid cells which provide a first line of defense against the pathogens. (03 Marks)

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1.3 How does the cytotoxic T lymphocytes kill the target cells after recognizing the antigen via T cell receptor? (03 Marks)

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**Total Marks -10**

Q2

2.1 Illustrate the indirect immunofluorescence antibody technique used to detect antigen in a tissue section. (02 Marks)

2.2 Name five (05) skin diseases that could be diagnosed by immunofluorescence. (05 Marks)

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2.3 A fresh specimen of skin biopsy is received for immunofluorescence studies. Mention the most important steps carried out to prepare the above specimen up to section cutting.

(03 Marks)

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**Total Marks- 10**

Q3

3.1 Illustrate the peroxidase anti peroxidase (PAP) method.

(06 Marks)

3.2 Mention one (01) advantage of the peroxidase antiperoxidase (PAP) method. (02 Marks)

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3.3 Mention one (01) disadvantage of the peroxidase antiperoxidase (PAP) method. (02 Marks)

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**Total Marks- 10**

Q4

4.1 What are the problems that could occur due to tissue processing? (03 Marks)

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4.2 Give six (06) causes for back ground staining. (03 Marks)

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4.3 Give four (04) causes for artificial staining. (04 Marks)

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**Total Marks- 10**

**Part C: Essay Questions (30 marks)**

1. Describe the factors which affect the staining quality in immunohistochemistry. (15 Marks)
2. Describe how you would perform the external quality assessment in immunohistochemistry (By taking UK NEQUA as an example). (15 Marks)

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