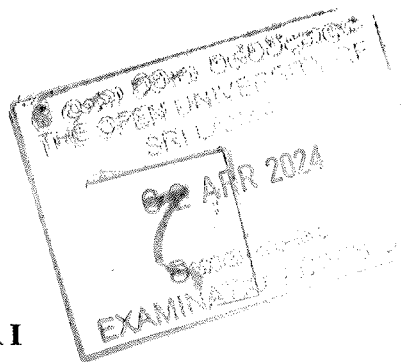


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**ACADEMIC YEAR 2023/2024 – SEMESTER I**  
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**BSU3340-PHARMACEUTICAL CHEMISTRY I-LEVEL 03**  
**FINAL EXAMINATION**  
**DURATION: 3 HOURS**



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**DATE: 02<sup>nd</sup> APRIL 2024**

**TIME: 1.30 pm – 4.30 pm**

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**IMPORTANT INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES**

- This question paper consists of **02** pages containing **05** questions
- Write answers for all questions in booklets provided.
- Clearly state your **Index Number** in your answer script
- Having any unauthorized materials, mobile phones in your possession is a punishable offence
- Calculators are allowed



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1. a) Propanol ( $\text{C}_3\text{H}_8\text{OH}$ ) and Ethyl methyl ether ( $\text{CH}_3\text{CH}_2\text{OCH}_3$ ) have the same molar mass. Which one has a higher boiling point? Explain your answer. (04 marks)  
b) List four (04) factors that affect the solubility of an ionic solid. (04 marks)  
c) Calculate the dissolution enthalpy of LiCl in water using the data provided below. (08 marks)  
LiCl Lattice energy:  $-834 \text{ kJ/mol}$     LiCl Hydration energy:  $-884 \text{ kJ/mol}$   
d) Determine whether the dissolution process is endothermic or exothermic. (04 marks)
  
2. a) Explain Arrhenius and Bronsted-Lowry theories regarding acidity of a substance. (04 marks)  
b) Consider a weak acid, HA. Provide the chemical equation for the ionization of HA in an aqueous solution. (02 marks)  
c) Derive the Henderson-Hasselbalch equation for the HA. (06 marks)  
d) An aqueous buffer solution is made of 0.20 moles of formic acid and 0.40 moles of sodium formate ion in 1L of solution. Calculate the pH of the solution. (06 marks)  
e) Explain the term buffer capacity of a buffer solution. (02 marks)
  
3. a) Determine the relationships between  $K_a$  for  $(\text{NH}_4^+)$  and  $K_b$  for  $\text{CO}_3^{2-}$  in order to have a  $(\text{NH}_4)_2\text{CO}_3$  solution acidic, basic and neutral. Provide necessary ionic equations. (10 marks)  
b) List four (04) types of solvents used in non-aqueous titrations. (04 marks)  
c) Explain why non-aqueous solvents are useful in pharmacology. (06 marks)



4. a) Write the solubility-product constant,  $K_{sp}$ , for  $Ag_2CrO_4$ . (04 marks)
- b) Solid  $Ag_2CrO_4$  is added to a beaker containing water to prepare a saturated solution of  $Ag_2CrO_4$ . At the equilibrium, the concentration of  $CrO_4^{2-}$  was found to be  $6.5 \times 10^{-5}$  M. Calculate the  $K_{sp}$  for  $Ag_2CrO_4$ . (10 marks)
- c) Explain the effect of common ions (eg: adding  $AgCl$ ) to the solubility and to the  $K_{sp}$ . Of  $Ag_2CrO_4$ . (06 marks)
5. a) Alcohol ( $C_2H_5OH$ ) level in blood can be determined by a redox titration with known concentration of potassium dichromate solution. If the 9.0 mL of 0.05 M  $K_2Cr_2O_7$  is required to titrate 10.0 g of blood sample, calculate the alcohol level in the blood sample.
- $$C_2H_5OH (aq) + 2Cr_2O_7^{2-} (aq) + 16H^+ (aq) \longrightarrow 2CO_2 (g) + 4Cr^{3+} (aq) + 11H_2O (l)$$
- (08 marks)
- b) Calcium levels in blood can be determined by adding oxalate ions to precipitate calcium oxalate,  $CaC_2O_4$ , followed by dissolving the precipitate in acidic medium, and titrating the resulting oxalic acid,  $H_2C_2O_4$  with  $KMnO_4$ . Calculate how many calcium ions are present in 10.0 mL of blood if 20.0 mL of 0.001M  $KMnO_4$  is needed for the titration. ( $C_2O_4^{2-}$  will be oxidized to  $CO_2$  in acidic medium). Provide balanced equations and stepwise calculations. (12 marks)

(15 marks)

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