

**2012**

**M.Sc.**

**1st Semester Examination**

**MICROBIOLOGY**

**PAPER—III (MCB-103)**

*Full Marks : 40*

*Time : 2 Hours*

*The figures in the right-hand margin indicate full marks.*

*Candidates are required to give their answers in their own words as far as practicable.*

**Answer any two questions from each group.**

**Group—A**

**[Marks : 20]**

**Answer any two questions.**

1. (a) Why pH of a solution is not always the negative logarithm of hydrogen ion concentration? 2

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- (b) Describe how pH of a weak acid solution can be calculated. 3
- (c) What is buffer? How does a buffer works? 1+4
2. (a) What is buffer capacity? 2
- (b) Show the reactions by which an acetate buffer resists change in pH upon the addition of  $\text{OH}^-$  and  $\text{H}^+$  ions. 5
- (c) Determine the molar concentration of water. 3
3. (a) Describe the possible causes of  $\gamma$ -radiation. 3
- (b) What is decay constant? 2
- (c) Why ionizing radiation is harmful for biological system? 3
- (d) What is Cerenkov radiation? 2

**Group—B**

[Marks : 20]

Answer any two questions.

4. (a) How does principle of NMR differ from that of ESR? 3
- (b) Mention 3 disadvantages of C-NMR over H-NMR? How these one overcome? 2
- (c) What are the important properties of some common NMR solvents?  $2\frac{1}{2}$
- (d) What are the molecular basis for platue formation in standard curve at upper concentration in visible spectroscopy?  $2\frac{1}{2}$
5. (a) Write the different uses of HPLC and GC.
- (b) Briefly describe three types of detectors used in HPLC. What is the difference between UV and PDA detectors?
- (c) Write the principles of GC and GCMS. 3+(3+2)+2

6. Answer short notes (any four) :

$2\frac{1}{2} \times 4$

(a) Resolving power of lens.

(b) Visible spectrum of light.

(c) Principle of PAGE.

(d) Ion exchange chromatography.

(e) Principle of X-ray diffraction

(d) Quantification of a chromophoric group by HPLC.

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