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(DAC 10J)

**ACH 2315/ ABT 2315 : CHEMICAL ANALYTICAL METHODS AND
BIOCHEMISTRY**

SPECIAL/SUPPLEMENTARY: EXAMINATIONS

SERIES: FEBRUARY 2013

TIME: 2 HOURS

INSTRUCTIONS:

You should have the following for this paper

- *Answer booklet*

This paper consists of **FIVE** questions.

Answer Question **ONE (compulsory)** and any other **TWO** questions

SECTION A: Answer **all** questions

1. Calculate the concentration of Cl^- ions in a solution containing 2.65g of BaCl_2 in 250ml solution.
(Ba = 137, Cl = 35.5)
 - i) ppm
 - ii) % w/v

(4marks)
2. Give any FOUR techniques use din separation of mixtures **(4marks)**
3. Explain the following terms as used in separation techniques
 - (i) Retention factor
 - (ii) Locating agent

(4marks)
4. Differentiate between
 - (i) Vacuum and gravity filtration
 - (ii) Drying and ignition

(4marks)
5. a) Draw the structure of divinely benzene DUB and explain its importance in ion exchange. **(3marks)**
b) Give one example of a cationic exchange resin. **(1mark)**
6. State FOUR functions of carbohydrates **(4marks)**
7. State the physiological importance of glycosides **(4marks)**
8. Explain the effects of temperature on enzyme activity **(4marks)**
9. Explain the regulation of enzyme activity in the living system **(4marks)**
10. (i) State the biochemical functions of pyridoxine (vitamin B_6) **(2marks)**
(ii) List dietary sources of pyridoxine vitamin. **(2marks)**

SECTION B (Choose any **three** questions)

11. a) (i) State THREE properties of a good gravimetric precipitate. **(3marks)**
(ii) Describe the gravimetric analysis of Ba^{2+} ions in a sample using sulphuric acid as the precursor precipitating agent.
(7marks)
b) (i) State FOUR conditions necessary for precipitation in gravimetry **(4marks)**
(ii) Describe the separation of the dyes in a fountain pen ink using a preparative column.
(6marks)

12. a) Describe the treatment of water by softening and deionization using ion exchange resins.

(10marks)

b) 20g of hexanedioic acid (HAD) was shaken with a mixture of 100cm³ ether and 100cm³ water at 25°C. After titration with standard sodium hydroxide the concentration of the acid was found to be 0.0224mol dm⁻³ in ether and 0.16mol dm⁻³ in water.

i) Calculate the distribution coefficient K_D for hexanedioic acid between ether and water.

(2marks)

ii) If log of HAD had been shaken with 50cm³ of each solvent at 25°C. State with reason the value of K_D expected.

iii) If log of HAD was dissolved in 50cm³ of ether at 25°C. Calculate how much of the acid can be extracted with 50cm³ of water **(5marks)**

13. a) Differentiate between the following terms

i) Steam and vacuum distillation

ii) Recrystallisation and fractional crystallization. **(4marks)**

b) (i) State and explain four precautions when carrying out sohxlet extraction **(8marks)**

(ii) Describe counter-current solvent extraction. **(4marks)**

c) It is more efficient to extract a component in a mixture using small portions of extracting solvent than large quantity at once of the same volume. Explain.

(4marks)

14. a) State factors affecting enzyme action. **(6marks)**

b) List salient features of active site **(7marks)**

c) Explain competitive inhibition of enzyme activity. **(7marks)**

15. a) Explain the classification of vitamins **(10marks)**

b) State the biochemical functions of vitamin A. **(5marks)**

c) Justify vitamin D is hormone and not a vitamin. **(5marks)**