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ORDINARY EXAMINATION

SERIES: DECEMBER 2024

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Instructions to Candidates

You should have the following for this examination

-Answer Booklet, examination pass and student ID

This paper consists of FIVE Question(s). Attempt question ONE (Compulsory) and any other TWO questions.

Do not write on the question paper.

QUESTION ONE

- a) With the help of a labelled diagram illustrate reverse osmosis process. (4 marks)
- b) Explain the facilitated diffusional transport mechanism in liquid membranes. (2marks)
- c) Draw a schematic diagram for all the components of gas chromatography. (6 marks)
- d) Differentiate between the following terms as used in separations techniques,
 - i. Microfiltration and ultrafiltration (2 marks)
 - ii. Homogenous barrier and microporous barriers (2 marks)
 - iii. Observed retention and real retention. (2 Marks)
 - iv. Hollow fiber module and spiral wound module. (2 marks)
 - v. Free electrophoresis and zone electrophoresis. (2 marks)

- e) Define the following terms as used in chromatography
- i. Capacity factor (2 marks)
 - ii. Peak height (2 marks)
- f) Explain the basic principle in separation of proteins using immobilized metal ion affinity chromatography. (4marks)

QUESTION TWO

- a) Outline the step by step procedure of using column chromatography and Thin Layer chromatography separation of bio active compounds. (10 marks)
- b) Outline four applications of HPLC in analytical chemistry (4 marks)
- c) Discuss three major steps of the extractor used during liquid-liquid extraction procedure. (6 marks)

QUESTION THREE

- a) Discuss the theory of electrophoresis as a method of separation. (8 marks)
- b) Describe the principles of traditional methods for sample preparation of solid sample given below and comment on each of them
 - i. Solid-liquid extraction (4marks)
 - ii. Soxhlet extraction (4 marks)
- c) Outline two advantages of solid phase extraction (SPE) over liquid-liquid extraction (LLE). (4 marks)

QUESTION FOUR

- a) Discuss the principle of isotropic and anisotropic membranes in various membrane processes. (12 marks)
- b) Discuss the factors that influence resolution in size exclusion chromatography. (8 marks)

QUESTION FIVE

- a) Explain the terms applicable to the graphical representation of elution profile of a typical two component mixture separation by chromatography. (10 Marks)
- b) Draw a schematic diagram for all the components of high performance liquid chromatography. (10 marks)