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KISUMU CAMPUS

COURSE CODE: SBI 3211

COURSE TITLE: BASIC MICROBIOLOGY

DATE: 12/08/2019

EXAM SESSION: 9.00 – 11.00 AM

TIME: 2.00 HOURS

Instructions:

- 1. Answer ALL Questions in Section A and ANY 2 Questions in Section B**
- 2. Candidates are advised not to write on the question paper.**
- 3. Candidates must hand in their answer booklets to the invigilator while in the examination room.**

SECTION A: Answer ALL Questions (Total 30 marks)

QUESTION ONE

- a.State FIVE modes of action of antimicrobial agents. (5 marks)
- b.List FIVE fields of applied microbiology and make a general statement of the importance of microorganisms in each field. (5 marks)
- c.list major types of chemical agents used in controlling microbes (5 marks)
- d.Define growth factors, and give example of them. (5 marks)
- e.Name FIVE different staining techniques and describe their particular application. (5 marks)
- f.Briefly write short notes on Antony Van Leeuwenhoek. (5 marks)

SECTION B: Answer ANY TWO Questions (Total 40 marks)

QUESTION TWO

Explain the stages in the population growth curve and its practice importance. (20 marks)

QUESTION THREE

Define symbiosis and differentiate among mutualism, commensalism, synergism, parasitism and antagonism, using examples. (20 marks)

QUESTION FOUR

Describe functional media; list several different categories, and explain what characterizes each type of functional media. (20 marks)

QUESTION FIVE

Describe the steps of the Ziehl-Neelson staining, and explain how it can be an important diagnostic tool for infections. (20 marks)