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SECOND YEAR EXAMINATION FOR THE AWARD OF THE
DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN MEDICAL LABORATORY
SCIENCE
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[MAY - AUGUST, 2017]

MELS 266: MEDICAL PARASITOLOGY II

STREAM: Y2S2

TIME: 3 HOURS

DAY: THURSDAY, 2:00-5:00 PM

DATE: 24/08/2017

INSTRUCTIONS

1. Do not write anything on this question Paper.

2. Answer ALL questions in section A and any other TWO questions from section B.

SECTION A: ANSWER ALL QUESTIONS [40 MARKS]

1. Outline the states that arise from parasitic infections. [3 marks]

2. List the factors that affect geographical parasite distribution. [4 marks]

3. Briefly discuss the effects of parasites on the host. [2 marks]

4. Outline measures that can be taken to control schistosomiasis.

[4 marks]

5. Draw a well labeled diagram of T. vaginalis.

[3 marks]

Differentiate between microfilarial worms in terms of periodicity.

[4 marks]

Using examples, describe the following terms:

[3 marks]

(a) Strobila

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(b) Cysticercus

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- (c) Hexacanth
- 8. List three species of flukes that infect humans and indicate their intermediate, definitive and reservoir host where appropriate. [6 marks]
- 9. An helminthlogist working in a laboratory came across a stool sample that He suspected to have a mixed infection of Schistosoma mansoni and Schistosoma japonicum. Using diagrams, explain what he would have observed. [6 marks]
- 10. Briefly discuss the factors that need to be considered before accepting or rejecting a stool sample for parasitological examination. [5 marks]

SECTION B: ANSWER ANY TWO QUESTIONS [30 MARKS]

- 11. Discuss the morphology, lifecycle, pathology, diagnosis and control of Giardia lambila. [15 marks]
- 12(a) Outline the differences between the two major hookworms. [7 marks]
- (b) Discuss the similarity in lifecycle and pathology of hookworms. [8 marks]
- 13. Discuss the use of the following methods during stool examination.
 - (a) Formal ether concentration

[5 marks]

(b) Zinc sulphate floatation

[5 marks]

(c) Direct wet preparation

[5 marks]