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Name of the Paper : **Medicinal Chemistry (UGCF-NEP)**

Name of the Course : **B.Sc. (Hons) Biomedical Science**

Semester : **III**

Duration : **3 Hours**

Maximum Marks : **90**

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Attempt *five* questions in all.

Question No. 1 is compulsory.

Give illustrations and examples wherever required.

(Subparts of the questions should be attempted together).

1. (a) Briefly explain the following (any *six*) : 6×2=12

- (i) Bioavailability
- (ii) Log P
- (iii) Pre-systemic metabolism
- (iv) Topliss scheme
- (v) Scatchard plot
- (vi) ADME
- (vii) Caffeine.

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(b) Distinguish between (any *three*) :

3×4=12

- (i) Graded and Quantal Response
- (ii) Carrier-Linked Prodrug and Bioprecursor
- (iii) Intracellular and Extracellular receptor
- (iv) Reversible and Irreversible Inhibitor
- (v) Drug tolerance and Drug dependence.

(c) State whether the given statement is true or false. Justify your answer :

3×2=6

- (i) An antagonist binds to the receptor and activates it to produce a biological response.
- (ii) Hydrophilicity of the drug is an important factor responsible for its poor absorption.
- (iii) A partial agonist has lower efficacy than a full agonist due to its lower receptor affinity.

2. (i) Explain the mechanism of action of DNA-alkylating agents with the help of a diagram. Provide a suitable example of a DNA-alkylator drug. Also, discuss the key properties and clinical significance of DNA-alkylating agents.

(ii) Briefly describe three key descriptors commonly used in QSAR studies in drug design.

(iii) Explain the concept of bio-isosterism in drug design. Discuss the different types of bio-isosteric modifications, providing suitable examples for each.

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3. (i) Explain how GPCRs work with the help of a labelled diagram.
- (ii) What do target specificity and selectivity between species mean ? Why are they important in finding and developing drug targets ?
- (iii) Explain allosteric antagonism with the help of a labelled diagram. How does allosteric regulation affect receptor activity ? 5,5,5
4. (i) Explain how clavulanic acid acts a suicide substrate for bacterial beta-lactamase enzyme.
- (ii) Discuss the concept of antisense therapy with the help of a schematic diagram. Explain its advantages.
- (iii) Explain the importance of the double reciprocal plot in enzyme kinetics. Draw and compare the plots for competitive and non-competitive inhibition. 5,5,5
5. (i) What is a lead compound in drug discovery ? Discuss the advantages and disadvantages of using natural compounds as sources of lead compounds.
- (ii) Explain the differences between agonists, partial agonists and inverse agonists based on their effects on receptor activity. Use dose-response curves (DRCs) to illustrate these differences.
- (iii) Using a hypothetical diagram of a drug and receptor, illustrate and explain the various weak forces involved in drug-receptor interactions.

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6. (i) Why is the levodopa-carbidopa combination preferred over dopamine for the treatment of Parkinson's disease ? Discuss the rationale behind this strategy.
- (ii) What are receptor sensitization and desensitization ? Explain their significance in regulating receptor activity.
- (iii) Discuss Rule of Five^{*} and its significance in drug discovery. 5,5,5