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**B.Pharm. 6<sup>th</sup> Semester End-Term Examination**

**BIOPHARMACEUTICS AND PHARMACOKINETICS THEORY**

(New Regulation w.e.f. 2017-18)

Full Marks – 75

Time – Three hours

The figures in the margin indicate full marks for the questions.

Question number 1 is compulsory. Answer all questions.

1. Choose the right answer from the following : (20 × 1 = 20)
- (i) Drugs having structure similar to essential nutrients are known as \_\_\_\_\_
- (a) Ideal drugs (b) True nutrients  
(c) False nutrients (d) Essential drugs
- (ii) The order for dissolution of different solid forms of drugs is \_\_\_\_\_
- (a) Stable>Metastable>Amorphous  
(b) Metastable>Amorphous>Stable  
(c) Amorphous> Metastable> Stable  
(d) Stable>Amorphous>Metastable
- (iii) Weakly acidic drugs having pKa >8.0 are
- (a) Ionized at GI pH  
(b) Better absorbed from the stomach  
(c) Absorbed along the entire length of GIT  
(d) Ionized at all pH
- (iv) The pharmacokinetic parameter that gives an indication of the rate of absorption is
- (a) C<sub>max</sub> (b) T<sub>max</sub>  
(c) AUC (d) Clearance

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- (v) The percentage of drug content dissolved in a given time period is \_\_\_\_\_
- (a) Dissolution (b) Solubility  
(c) Intrinsic solubility (d) Q value
- (vi) The correlation involving one or several pharmacokinetic parameters to the amount of drug dissolved at various time points is \_\_\_\_\_
- (a) Level A (b) Level C  
(c) Level B (d) Multiple Level C
- (vii) An index of how efficiently the eliminating organ clears the blood flowing through it of drug is \_\_\_\_\_
- (a) Clearance (b) Extraction ratio  
(c) Volume of distribution (d) Intrinsic capacity clearance
- (viii) The ratio of maximum safe concentration to the minimum effective concentration is known as \_\_\_\_\_
- (a) Therapeutic window (b) Therapeutic range  
(c) Therapeutic index (d) Bioavailability
- (ix) *In vitro* dissolution studies can be used in lieu of *in vivo* bioequivalence under certain circumstances known as \_\_\_\_\_
- (a) Therapeutic equivalence (b) Biowaivers  
(c) Chemical equivalence (d) All of the above
- (x) The enhancement of action of one drug by another drug is termed as
- (a) Antagonism (b) Potentiation  
(c) Summation (d) Addition
- (xi) The major mechanism of drug transport involved in the transport of drug out of the blood into tissues is:
- (a) Aqueous diffusion (b) Lipid diffusion  
(c) Active transport (d) Facilitated transport
- (xii) Noyes and Whitney equation is used to describe
- (a) Absorption (b) Dissolution  
(c) Distribution (d) Disintegration
- (xiii) The volume of distribution of drug is
- (a) An expression of total body volume  
(b) A measure of total fluid volume  
(c) A relationship between the total amount of drug in the body and the concentration of the drug in the blood  
(d) Proportional to bioavailability of the drug

- (xiv) The rate of drug bioavailability is most rapid when the drug is formulated as a
- (a) Controlled release product      (b) Hard gelatin capsule  
(c) Tablet      (d) Solution
- (xv) According to BCS for drugs, a well-absorbed drug falls under
- (a) Class I drugs      (b) Class II drugs  
(c) Class III drugs      (d) Class IV drugs
- (xvi) The rate-determining steps in the absorption of drugs from orally administered formulations is/are
- (a) Disintegration      (b) Dissolution  
(c) Permeation      (d) Both (b) and (c)
- (xvii) \_\_\_\_\_ unionized at all pH values and absorption is rapid and independent of GI.
- (a) Very weak acids drugs      (b) Basic drugs in the pH range of 5-11  
(c) Stronger basic drugs      (d) Stronger acidic drugs
- (xviii) Which of the following is responsible for absorption of water soluble drugs?
- (a) Globular Protein      (b) Lipid partition coefficient  
(c) Lipid bilayer      (d) Concentration gradient
- (xix) AUC is expressed as:
- (a) Mcg/ml X hours      (b) Mcg/ml  
(c) Mcg X hours/ml      (d) None of the above
- (xx) According to Henderson-Hasselbach equation, which of the following is correct for weak acids
- (a) % drug Ionized =  $pK_a + \log (\text{ionized drug}/\text{unionized drug})$   
(b) % drug Ionized =  $\{10^{(pH-pK_a)}/1 + 10^{(pH-pK_a)}\}100$   
(c) % drug Ionized =  $\{10^{(pK_a-pH)}/1 + 10^{(pH-pK_a)}\} 100$   
(d) % drug Ionized =  $pK_a + \log (\text{unionized drug}/\text{ionized drug})$

2. Answer any *seven* questions:

(7 × 5 = 35)

- (a) What are the two rate-limiting steps in the distribution of drugs? Discuss physiological barriers to distribution of drugs.
- (b) List the factors influencing renal excretion of drugs. Discuss dose adjustment in renal failure.
- (c) Define elimination half-life. Determine the elimination half-life if a drug is administered by IV Bolus administration.

- (d) Explain volume of distribution. Discuss various methods for studying drug distribution pattern.
- (e) What are the objectives of dissolution profile comparison? Explain model-independent method for comparison of dissolution profile.
- (f) Explain when method of residuals is applied in compartmental modelling and what are the limitations of method of residuals.
- (g) What are pharmacokinetic models? What is the importance and utility of developing such model? Discuss briefly the types of pharmacokinetic models.
- (h) Explain different theories of drug dissolution with relevant equations.
- (i) State the pH-partition hypothesis briefly. What are the limitations of pH-partition hypothesis?

3. Answer any *two* questions:

(2 × 10 = 20)

- (a) What are the various causes of non-linear pharmacokinetics? Explain the Michaelis Menten equation and estimate  $K_m$  and  $V_{max}$  from the equation. (5+5=10)
- (b) Define the term 'drug absorption'. Discuss the various drug transport mechanisms involved in the absorption of drugs? (2+8=10)
- (c) Differentiate between absolute and relative bioavailability. Discuss various methods for measurement of bioavailability. (3+7 = 10)