

Duration: 3 Hours

Total marks: 75

N.B.: 1. All questions are compulsory
2. Figures to the right indicate full marks.

Q. No.	Question	Marks
Q.I	Multiple Choice Questions (Answer all):	20
1	A transport mechanism where the drug does not have to be in aqueous solution to be absorbed is a) ion-pair transport b) passive diffusion c) endocytosis d) pore transport	1
2	Percutaneous absorption of ionic drugs can be improved using ultrasound technique called a) iontophoresis b) electrophoresis c) phonophoresis d) plasmaphoresis	1
3	Metoclopramide improves absorption of levodopa due to a) increased gastric emptying b) complex formation c) favourable pH microclimate d) decreased GI transit	1
4	A highly permeable drug with a dose of 1mg/kg must have solubility a) 100 mg/kg b) 10 mg/kg c) 1 mg/kg d) 0.1 mg/kg	1
5	If f2 value is 100, the test and reference mean profiles are a) identical b) different c) half identical half different d) multiple	1

- 6 Which dissolution apparatus is used for dissolution testing of poorly soluble drugs? **1**
- a) Paddle apparatus
 - b) Paddle over disc
 - c) Reciprocating cylinder
 - d) Flow through cell
- 7 Level A, IVIVC co-relationship is based on **1**
- a) Comparison of any one dissolution parameters with any Pharmacokinetic parameter
 - b) Comparison of one or more dissolution parameters with any Pharmacokinetic parameter
 - c) Point to point correlation between in vitro dissolution and in vivo rate of absorption
 - d) Correlation based on statistical moment theory
- 8 Flow through cell type of dissolution Apparatus is **1**
- a) USP Dissolution Test Apparatus II
 - b) USP Dissolution Test Apparatus III
 - c) USP Dissolution Test Apparatus IV
 - d) USP Dissolution Test Apparatus V
- 9 The first-order constant for the distribution phase in a multi compartment model is denoted by **1**
- a) α
 - b) β
 - c) μ
 - d) γ
- 10 Volume of distribution is defined as correlation between **1**
- a) rate of elimination and plasma concentration
 - b) rate of absorption and plasma concentration
 - c) rate of elimination and rate of absorption
 - d) amount of drug administered and plasma concentration
- 11 Mixed-order pharmacokinetics is also called **1**
- a) Zero order pharmacokinetics
 - b) Dose independent pharmacokinetics
 - c) First order pharmacokinetics
 - d) Dose dependent pharmacokinetics

- 12** Absorption rate constant can be determined using **1**
- a) Sigma Minus method
 - b) Wagner Nelson Method
 - c) Urinary Excretion Method
 - d) Sigma Plus method
- 13** What is the primary objective of conducting bioequivalence studies? **1**
- a) To assess the safety profile of a drug candidate.
 - b) To determine the maximum tolerated dose of a drug.
 - c) To compare the pharmacokinetic parameters of two formulations of the same drug.
 - d) To evaluate the long-term efficacy of a drug in clinical trials.
- 14** Which study design is commonly employed in bioequivalence studies to minimize inter-subject variability? **1**
- a) Parallel-group design
 - b) Crossover design
 - c) Retrospective cohort design
 - d) Case-control design
- 15** Which method is commonly used for in vitro assessment of drug permeability? **1**
- a) Dissolution test
 - b) Caco-2 cell monolayer assay
 - c) Intradermal injection
 - d) PET imaging
- 16** What term is used to describe generic versions of biologic drugs that are highly similar but not identical to the reference product? **1**
- a) Biocompatible biologics
 - b) Biosimilar drug products
 - c) Bioequivalent biologics
 - d) Biogenetic generic drugs
- 17** Following is the major mode of elimination for monoclonal antibodies **1**
- a) renal clearance
 - b) hepatic clearance
 - c) binding to antigens
 - d) first pass metabolism

- 18** Following protein drug has been approved for delivery by pulmonary route **1**
- Calcitonin
 - Insulin
 - Erythropoietin
 - Lactoferrin

- 19** The drug release profile of a controlled release formulation comprising of both the loading and maintenance dose will be **1**
- Zero order release
 - First order release
 - Initial rapid release followed by first order release
 - Initial rapid release followed by zero order release

- 20** Following are the mechanisms of enzyme induction, except **1**
- Increase in liver size
 - Increased stability of Cytochrome P 450
 - Increased microsomal protein content
 - Increased perfusion rate

QII Answer any Two questions: **20**

1 Elaborate on any five physico-chemical characteristics of drugs that affect its absorption, with suitable examples. **10**

2 Write the objectives and study design for conduct of bioequivalence study. Explain the methods to assess bioequivalence. **10**

3a A 75 kg patient was given a single IV dose of a drug at a dose level of 4 mg/kg. The pharmacokinetics of the plasma concentration -time curve for this drug fits a one compartment model and the instantaneous plasma concentration was found to be 46mg/L and half life was 7.5 hrs. Calculate following parameters assuming drug follows first order kinetics **7**

- Volume of distribution and total systemic clearance **2**
- What is the plasma concentration of drug after 8 hours? **2**
- How much drug is left in the body after 8 hours? **1**
- Time required to eliminate 70% of the dose of drug? **2**

3b A single oral dose of 2.8g of a drug ($F=0.8$) was given to a 60 kg patient. The plasma concentration time profile can be described by **3**

$$C_p = 173 (e^{-0.421t} - e^{-2.4t})$$

where $C_p = \text{mg/L}$, $t = \text{hours}$

Calculate:

- t_{max}
- C_{max}

OR **1**

- 2**
- 3b** Explain the concept of one compartment open model along with key assumptions. **3**
- QIII** Answer any Seven questions: **35**
- 1 Discuss the limitations of the pH partition hypothesis. **5**
 - 2 Elaborate on the characteristics of Facilitated diffusion and Ion-pair as mechanisms of drug absorption. **5**
 - 3 Outline various factors affecting dissolution rate and explain any two of them in detail. **5**
 - 4 Explain any one IP Dissolution Test apparatus. **5**
 - 5 Explain the concept of loading dose and maintenance dose of iv infusion and derive them. **5**
 - 6 Explain any two in vitro methods used for determination of drug permeability. **5**
 - 7 Write a note on generic biologics. **5**
 - 8 Write a brief note on distribution interactions of drugs. **5**
 - 9 Write a note on pharmacokinetics of protein and peptide drugs. **5**
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