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MAIN EXAMINATIONS

**FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN BIOLOGY,
BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN BIORESOURCE MANAGEMENT,
BACHELOR OF EDUCATION SCIENCE AND BACHELOR
AGRICULTURE EDUCATION AND EXTENSION**

COURSE CODE: SZL 211

COURSE TITLE: FUNDAMENTALS OF CELL BIOLOGY

DATE: Thursday 9th August, 2018.

TIME: 2:00 – 4:00 p.m.

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

Answer Question one (1) and any other two (2) Questions. Question one is compulsory and carries 30 marks, the other Questions carry 20 marks each.

TIME: 2 Hours

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QUESTION ONE

- a) Describe the structural composition of the cell membrane. (5 Marks)
- b) Draw a well labelled diagram of a prokaryotic cell using a bacterial cell as an example. (4 Marks)
- c) Distinguish between rough endoplasmic reticulum and smooth endoplasmic reticulum (2 Marks)
- d) Briefly describe the events that occur during metaphase of mitosis of a plant cell. (4 Marks)
- e) State the significance of mitosis in living organisms. (4 Marks)
- f) Outline four main features of cell theory (4 Marks)
- g) State four functions of the cell wall. (4 Marks)
- h) State the contributions of the following scientists in the field of Cell Biology.
- i. Robert Hooke (1 Mark)
 - ii. Antony Van Leenwenhoek (1 Mark)
 - iii. Marcello Malpighi (1 Mark)

QUESTION TWO

- a) Describe four cell junction types. (12 Marks)
- b) Define the term cell division. (2 Marks)
- c) Describe the components of three types of filaments of a cytoskeleton. (6 Marks)

QUESTION THREE

- a) Outline the events that occur during the cell cycle. (8 Marks)
- b) Write short notes on the following:-
- i. A Vacuole (4 Marks)
 - ii. Cytoplasm (4 Marks)
 - iii. Lysosome (4 Marks)

QUESTION FOUR

- a) Tabulate six differences between mitosis and meiosis of cell division. (10 Marks)
- b) i). Define apoptosis. (2 Marks)
- ii). Describe the pathways that regulate the process. (8 Marks)

QUESTION FIVE

- a) Explain the structural composition of the cell wall. (10Marks).
- b) Distinguish between Gram Positive and Gram Negative bacterial cell wall. (10 Marks)