

DEPARTMENT OF BIOLOGICAL SCIENCES  
2024 1 EXAMINATION

**COURSE CODE: BIO415**

**COURSE TITLE: Virology and Tissue culture**

**CREDIT UNIT: 3**

**TIME ALLOWED: 3 HOURS**

**INSTRUCTION: ANSWER QUESTION ONE (1) AND ANY OTHER THREE (3) QUESTIONS**

- 1a. What is a Defective virus? (2mrks)
- 1b. You are in a laboratory with a viral samples and asked to visualize the samples.
  - (i).Mention the instrument you will use to visualize your sample. (2mrks)
  - (ii). State a cogent reason for using the instrument. (2mrks)
- 1c. Describe the factors to be considered in classification of viruses in to families (10mrks)
- 1d. Distinguish between the mechanisms of cell entry by envelope and non-envelope virus. (4mrks)
- 1e. List the most recent ICTV proposed classification of viruses. (5mrks)
  
- 2a. Deduce the reason why Viral Taxonomy is dynamic and subject to change (2mrks)
- 2b. Account for the Genomic Transformational Process that leads to provirus. (10 mrks)
- 2c. How are Poxviridae transmitted? (3mrks)
  
- 3a. 4b. Give the full meaning of the following viruses; HPIV, HTLV, MLVs and IPNV. (4mrks)
- 3b. Describe the recent genera of the family Adenoviridae, citing their target organisms. (8mrks)
- 3c. Infer reasons why a virus can not synthesize its own components. (3mrks)
  
- 4a. What is viral Eclipse period? (3mrks)
- 4b. Describe how a virus be detected in a cell culture? (7mrks)
- 4c. Highlight the variables to be considered for Neutralization test (Nt-test)? (6mrks)
  
- 5a. Define vaccination. (2mrks)
- 5b. Distinguish between vaccination and inoculation (4mrks)
- 5c. In a tabular form write down the Source of vaccine, Condition of virus, and Route of administration of the following viruses; Yellow fever, Hepatitis B, Adenovirus 6, and Japanese B encephalitis. (9mrks)