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JOMO KENYATTA UNIVERSITY OF AGRICULTURE AND TECHNOLOGY UNIVERSITY EXAMINATIONS 2023/2024

EXAMINATION FOR THE DEGREE OF MASTER OF SCIENCE IN MOLECULAR MEDICINE

TIM 3103: IMMUNOLOGICAL TECHNIQUES I

DATE: DECEMBER 2023

TIME: 3 HOURS

INSTRUCTIONS:

Answer any Four Questions

- 1. Muruatetu was given a piece of liver infiltrated with lymphoma and was asked to confirm the identity of the infiltrating lymphoma. Describe how he would accomplish the task using immunohistochemical techniques (25 marks)
- 2. Discuss the application of the following animal model in science.

(a) Poultry

(9 marks)

(b) Rats

(8 marks)

(c) Pig

(8 marks)

- 3. Lukishe is interested in confirming the levels of phosphorylated ERK1/2 protein in Hela cells treated with a herbal product. Describe how he would go about this process from the point of harvesting his treated cells (25 marks)
- 4. Antje has discovered a new compound that has an immune boosting activity. Having been given peripheral blood from study participants who have taken this novel compound and placebo, can you describe how she can go about demonstrating the effect on the compound on the frequency of CD4 and CD8 cells using flow cytometer (25 marks)
- 5. Pouline is investigating the effect of agrochemicals on DNA damage using gamma-H2AX as a protein marker for DNA damage response. She is already having treated BJ cells, a primary antibody against gamma-H2AX and other reagents to undertake immunocytological tests. Describe how she will go about processing the cells for microscopy (25 marks)
- Describe;

(a) The three broad categories of cell types and their characteristics

(9 marks)

(b) The relevance of FBS in cell culture media

(6 marks)

(c) Practical must dos in a cell culture laboratory

(10 marks)



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