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NSLS 205 BACTERIOLOGY PRACTICAL EXAMINATION

END OF SEMESTER EXAMINATIONS

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DURATION: 3 HOURS

INSTRUCTIONS

1. Do not write your name on the answer sheet

2. Use Answer Sheets Provided

3. Begin your answer for Each Question on a New Page

4. Credit is Given for Neat Presentation

Answer all Questions

1. You have been provided with a wound swab labeled **SW1**.
 - a) Prepare a gram stain and describe what you see on the slide.(5)
 - b) Outline the further laboratory investigations, including culture, needed to identify the organism. (10).
 - c) Name any 5 organisms that can cause wound infection, giving virulence factors associated with the organisms (5)
 - d) Describe the principle behind the Gram staining technique (5)
 - e) Explain the possible sources of the organism (s) on the wound swab (5)

2. You are provided with a urine sample labelled **BV2** from a 25-year old female with STI symptoms for laboratory investigation.
 - a) Carry DAY1 laboratory investigations to identify the causative organism and describe in detail your procedures (20)

 - b) Describe the procedure you would carry out on DAY 2 of this analysis (15)

 - c) Name any 5 most common causes of bacterial UTI, explaining the virulence factors implicated for UTI (5).

 - d) Explain the principle behind the following biochemical test :
 - i) Catalase Test (1)
 - ii) Indole Test (1)

3. A 25 year old HIV positive man who has been coughing for the last two weeks visited the health care centre. After the collection of the sputum sample, a laboratory procedure for the identification for the identification of *Mycobacterium tuberculosis* was performed. You have been provided with the prepared slide **TB1** for examination.
 - a) Carefully examine the slide and report your findings (5).
 - b) Identify the staining procedure used and explain the principle of the test (5)
 - c) Identify any other method for the diagnosis of *M. tuberculosis*? (1)
 - d) Explain the precautions needed in the laboratory to avoid infection by *M. tuberculosis* (2)

Total 75 MARKS