



# MACHAKOS UNIVERSITY

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SCHOOL OF PURE AND APPLIED SCIENCES

DEPARTMENT OF BIOLOGICAL SCIENCES

FOURTH YEAR SPECIAL/SUPPLEMENTARY EXAMINATION FOR  
BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN BIOLOGY

SZL 408: APPLIED IMMUNOLOGY

DATE: 22/1/2021

TIME: 8.30-10.30 AM

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## INSTRUCTIONS

1. Answer Question one (compulsory) and **any two** questions in Section B.
2. Use clean well labelled diagrams wherever appropriate.

## SECTION A

### QUESTION ONE (COMPULSORY) (30 MARKS)

- a) State three immune complex diseases and explain their occurrence (3 marks)
- b) Explain the various types of agglutination reactions stating their applications (3 marks)
- c) Explain direct ELISA test giving its advantages and disadvantages. (3 marks)
- d) Outline the importance of vaccines (3 marks)
- e) Briefly describe gene therapy. (3 marks)
- f) Describe hybridoma technology (3 marks)
- g) Explain the application of immunological principles in research. (3 marks)
- h) Describe a polymerase chain reaction (3 marks)
- i) Explain the role of transgenic models in management of diseases. (3 marks)
- j) State three advantages of Western blotting (3 marks)

## SECTION B ANSWER ANY TWO QUESTIONS FROM THIS SECTION

### QUESTION TWO (20 MARKS)

Explain the different types of immune responses.

### QUESTION THREE (20 MARKS)

Describe the role of MHC molecules and genetic restriction of immune responses.

**QUESTION FOUR (20 MARKS)**

Explain the applications of immunological principles in immunotherapy

**QUESTION FIVE (20 MARKS)**

Discuss the various immunological techniques in biomedical and clinical medicine