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SCHOOL OF PURE AND APPLIED SCIENCES

DEPARTMENT OF BIOLOGICAL SCIENCES

SECOND YEAR SPECIAL/SUPPLEMENTARY EXAMINATION FOR  
BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN PUBLIC HEALTH

PPH 216: PUBLIC HEALTH ENTOMOLOGY

DATE: 31/7/2019

TIME: 2.00-4.00 PM

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## INSTRUCTIONS

1. Answer Question 1 (**compulsory**) and **any two** questions
  2. Use clean well labelled diagrams wherever appropriate.
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1. a) Classify insecticides based on their mode of action (3 marks)
  - b) With the use of an example, outline the characteristics of members of the class Siphonaptera (3 marks)
  - c) Explain the economic importance of the dog flea *Ctenocephalidis canis* to man (3 marks)
  - d) Explain the effectiveness of the use of bednets in the management of malaria (3 marks)
  - e) Explain three of the most essentials items on the label of an insecticide in Kenya (3 marks)
  - f) Explain the safe storage of insecticides of public health importance at home (3 marks)
  - g) Explain “adenotrophic viviparity” (3 marks)
  - h) Explain the concept of “management” of a population of medical disease vector (3 marks)

- i) Complete the table below by filling in the blanks (6 marks)

Disease	Transmitted by		Taxonomic class of vector
	Common name	Scientific name	
1. Pediculosis			
2.		<i>Phlebotomus martini</i>	
3. Filariasis			
4. Chagas disease			

- 2 a. Explain the process of registration of pest control product for use in Kenya (10 marks)  
 b. Discuss the factors that affect the vectorial capacity of an insect (10 marks)
- 3 Compare the life cycles of the mosquito *Anopheles gambiae* with that of the tsetse fly *Glossina pallidipes* (20 marks)
- 4 Explain the components of the “Sterile Insect Technique” in the management of a named disease vector of medical importance (20 marks)
- 5 a. Discuss the Rotterdam Convention (10 marks)  
 b. Discuss an effective rodent control program in an infested rural estate (10 marks)