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**EXAMINATION FOR THE AWARD OF DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF  
SCIENCE IN BIOMEDICAL TECHNOLOGY**

**BMET 423: TOXICOLOGY ENVIRONMENTAL PHYSIOLOGY**

**STREAMS:**

**TIME: 2 HOURS**

**DAY/DATE: MONDAY 27/09/2021**

**2.30 P.M. – 4.30 P.M.**

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**INSTRUCTIONS**

- Answer question one and nay other two questions

**Questions 1 (compulsory) (30 marks)**

- Explain with specific examples 5 possible outcomes of biotransformation of xenobiotics. (5 marks)
- Highlight 7 properties of human cytochrome P450. (7 marks)
- Differentiate between bioaccumulation and biomagnification of a toxicant. (2 marks)
- Briefly explain the importance of toxicological analyses. (4 marks)
- Explain the difference between primary and secondary air pollutant. Give an example in each case. (4 marks)
- Outline 4 effects of marine pollution. (4 marks)
- Describe 4 desirable features of a biomarker used in the toxicological analysis. (4 marks)

**Question 2 (20 marks)**

- Explain 5 biochemical tests done in a general clinical toxicology laboratory. (10 marks)
- Using suitable flowchart, describe the fate and effects of a toxicants in the body. (10 marks)

**Question 3 (20 marks)**

- a) Describe the various membrane transport of xenobiotics. (10 marks)
- b) State and explain 5 air pollutants and their effects on human health. (10 marks)

**Question 4 (20 marks)**

- a) Describe 5 detoxification reactions involving conjugation. (10 marks)
  - b) Using a suitable diagram, describe reaction types between a toxicant and target molecule, and indicate possible outcomes of this interaction. (10 marks)
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