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M.Pharm Exam 23 DEGREE EXAMINATIONS, APRIL 2025

MPP203T - CLINICAL PHARMACOKINETICS AND THERAPEUTIC DRUG MONITORING

((For the candidates admitted during the academic year 2017-2018 onwards))

Time: Three Hours

Max. Marks: 75

Part - A ($5 \times 5 = 25$ Marks)

Answer ALL Questions

	Marks	BL	CO
1. Outline the methods used for the estimation of bioavailability and discuss the key determinants that affect bioavailability.	5	2	1
2. Discuss the role of Cytochrome P-450 isoenzymes in drug metabolism, include examples of drugs affected by these enzymes.	5	3	2
3. Describe model misspecification, its causes, impact on pharmacometric analysis, and methods to identify.	5	2	3
4. Explain the considerations for drug dosing in pediatrics and compare the available pediatric drug dosing formulas, highlighting their strengths and limitations.	5	2	4
5. Explain the therapeutic drug monitoring of Lithium and Fluoxetine.	5	1	5

Part - B ($5 \times 10 = 50$ Marks)

Answer ANY FIVE Questions

	Marks	BL	CO
6. Discuss the process of converting from intravenous to oral dosing, including the reasons for the switch, methods used, and provide examples.	10	2	1
7. Provide an introduction to Bayesian theory and discuss the adaptive dosing method with feedback, explaining how it is applied in clinical practice for individualized drug therapy.	10	2	2
8. Explain the precision of parameter estimates and the role of confidence intervals in pharmacometric analysis, including their significance in model evaluation.	10	3	3
9. Discuss drug dosing in hepatic failure, explaining the pharmacokinetic challenges involved, and provide suitable example.	10	2	4
10. Discuss the individualization of drug dosage regimens, such as age, weight, organ function, and genetic factors.	10	2	5

11.	a. Discuss the calculation of loading and maintenance doses, explain their importance in drug therapy and how they are determined.	5	2	1
	b. Define pharmacometrics and explain its role in optimizing drug therapy, including its applications in drug development and clinical practice.	5	2	2
12.	a. Explain the concept of the Structural or Base Model in pharmacometric analysis.	5	2	3
	b. Discuss the concept of extracorporeal removal of drugs, including the methods used and the need for replacement of drug loss during this process.	5	2	4
13.	Explain the therapeutic drug monitoring (TDM) of drugs used in cardiovascular diseases, specifically Digoxin, Lidocaine, and Amiodarone.	10	2	5
