# BOWEN UNIVERSITY, IWO, OSUN STATE COLLEGE OF AGRICULTURE, ENGINEERING AND SCIENCE INDUSTRIAL CHEMISTRYPROGRAMME 2022/2023 B.SC DEGREE SECOND SEMESTER EXAMINATION

Course Code: CHM 232 Courses Title: Macromolecular Chemistry I Credit: 2

Date: 20/06/2023 Time Allowed: 2 hours

INSTRUCTIONS: Answer FOUR questions in all. TWO from Each Section

Each question carries equal marks

Answer each MAIN question on a fresh page

#### **SECTION A**

## Question 1

a. i. Give a concise definition of macromolecules?

ii. Give the structural representation of an alpha amino acid and indicate the various functional groups present.3 marks

b. Briefly explain the formation of peptide bonds in proteins. 8 marks

c. i. There are a total of 20 alpha amino acids that are commonly incorporated into protein structures, classified according to their solubility and their functional groups. Hence the identity and function of a peptide or a protein is determined by the primary sequence of amino acids within its structure. With this information, state the number and names of classes they are grouped into.

3 marks

ii. Consider the amino acids listed below and match each of them with a particular class.

4 marks

## Question 2

a. What is polymerization?
b. State the various stages involved in the polymerization process.
c. Write briefly on copolymers.
d. Give a concise account of addition and condensation polymerization.
8 marks

# **Question 3**

a. Enumerate the various methods of determining the molecular weight of macromolecules

4 marks

b. List three types of proteins and state their functions in biological systems. 6 marks

c. Differentiate between oligopeptide and polypeptide. 4 marks

d. Write a short note on the molecular weight determination of macromolecules.

6 marks

#### **SECTION B**

## **QUESTION THREE**

a. What is crystallinity and what are the properties of highly crystalline polymers?

5 marks

b. How do these factors affect crystallinity?

6 marks

- i. Regularity of the chain
- ii. Molecular weight
- iii. Presence of secondary forces

c. Briefly explain three major groups of macromolecules that are essential in the industry apart from biological macromolecules.

9 marks

# **QUESTION FOUR**

a. List the methods for determining percentage crystallinity.
b. Define crystallinity index and explain how it can be measured.
6 marks

c. Mention factors responsible for a polymer's tendency to have order and form crystallites.

3 marks

d. Explain the correlation between crystallinity and density of polymers.

3 marks

e. What is glass transition temperature and how does it affect pure crystalline polymers?

5 marks

### **OUESTION FIVE**

a. Mention the natural macromolecules and their monomers.
b. Indicate the bond/linkage for each of the macromolecules in 'a'.
c. Give the function(s) of each macromolecule in the body.
8 marks
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