



M.TECH. End semester – Regular

SUBJECT: ADVANCED BIOSEPARATION PROCESSES [BIO 5124]

Date of Exam: **23/11/2019** Time of Exam: **2.00 PM to 5.00 PM** Max. Marks: **50**

Instructions to Candidates:

❖ Answer ALL the questions & missing data may be suitable assumed

1A	<p>Given below is the diagrammatic representation of density vs sedimentation coefficient. Suitably, place these components (Virus, Soluble protein, DNA, RNA, Mitochondria, Virus, Glycogen, Ribosomes, Microsomes) in the given chart.</p>	3
1B	How does the knowledge on electro-kinetic phenomena contribute to flocculation?	2
1C	<p>Data was obtained on the precipitation of a protein by the addition of ammonium sulfate. The initial concentration of the protein was 15 g/liter. At ammonium sulfate concentrations of 0.5 and 1.0 M, the concentrations of the protein remaining in the mother liquor at equilibrium were 13.5 and 5.0 g/liter, respectively. From this information, estimate the ammonium sulfate concentration to give 95% recovery of the protein as precipitate.</p>	5
2A	<p>Picture given below shows the partitioning of biomolecules in a two-phase system. Two components are represented by circles and squares, respectively. Fill out the marked regions (1, 2, 3, 4).</p>	2

2B	<p>The following data was obtained from a constant pressure cake filtration experiment:</p> <table><tr><td>Time (s)</td><td>5</td><td>10</td><td>20</td><td>30</td></tr><tr><td>V (t) (litres)</td><td>0.040</td><td>0.055</td><td>0.080</td><td>0.095</td></tr></table> <p>The following additional information is given: $A = 0.1 \text{ ft}^2$, $\rho_c = 0.015 \text{ kg/l}$, $\mu = 1.1 \text{ centipoise}$, $\Delta P = 10 \text{ N/m}^2$. a) Determine R_m b) Determine the specific cake resistance</p>	Time (s)	5	10	20	30	V (t) (litres)	0.040	0.055	0.080	0.095	4
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2C	What would happen, if a protein sample of a single component is applied to a chromatography system in a small volume? Can we expect it to be eluted in a very sharp peak of similar volume?	4										
3A	Aqueous two-phase extraction is used to extract xylanase from a solution. A PEG-dextran system is used for the same. The partition coefficient is 6. Calculate the maximum possible enzyme recovery when the volume ratio of upper to lower phase is 4.	2										
3B	What are the advantages and disadvantages of Aqueous two phase extraction process	3										
3C	Outline the design criteria for high-value low volume products. (Each step 0.5 mark)	5										
4A	In an experiment 43 L/hr of streptomycin extract is to be stripped with water at pH 6. The value of K is 0.11. We want to use three stages and have 95% recovery. How much water should we use?	4										
4B	<p>100 litres of an aqueous solution of citric acid (concentration = 1 g/l) is contacted with 10 litres of an organic solvent. The equilibrium relationship is given by $C_E = 100 C_R^2$, where C_R and C_E are the citric acid concentrations in the raffinate and extract respectively and are expressed in g/l. Calculate:</p> <p>a) The concentration of citric acid in the raffinate and the extract. b) The fraction of citric acid extracted.</p> <p>If the extract thus obtained is then contacted with a further 100 litres of aqueous solution of citric acid (concentration = 1 g/l) calculate:</p> <p>c) The concentration of citric acid in the raffinate and extract phases of the second extraction. Comment on these results.</p>	6										
5A	Briefly explain the steps involved in reverse Micellar Extraction process	3										
5B	The intrinsic and apparent rejection coefficients for a solute in an ultrafiltration process were found to be 0.95 and 0.63 respectively at a permeate flux value of $6 \times 10^{-3} \text{ cm/s}$. What is the solute mass transfer coefficient?	2										
5C	Cell free fermentation liquor contains $8 \times 10^{-5} \text{ mol l}^{-1}$ immunoglobulin G. It is proposed to recover at least 90% of this antibody by adsorption on	5										

	<p>synthetic, non-polar resin. Experimental equilibrium data are correlated as follows:</p> $C^*_{AS} = 5.5 \times 10^{-5} (C^*_A)^{0.35}$ <p>where C^*_{AS} is mol solute adsorbed per cm^3 adsorbent and C^*_A is liquid phase solute concentration in mol/ L. What minimum quantity of resin to treat 2m^3 fermentation liquor in a single stage mixed tank?</p>	
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