

**NATIONAL UNIVERSITY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY**

**SSC2206**

**FACULTY OF APPLIED SCIENCES**

**BACHELOR OF SCIENCE HONOURS DEGREE EXAMINATIONS**

**DEPARTMENT OF SPORTS SCIENCE AND COACHING**

**CONVENTIONAL PROGRAMME**

**THEORY: SSC2206: EXERCISE PHYSIOLOGY AND BIOCHEMISTRY**

**APRIL 2014**

**3 HOURS (100 MARKS)**

**INSTRUCTIONS**

Answer 4 questions only. Each question carries 25 marks. Where a question contains subdivisions, the mark value for each subdivision is given in brackets. Illustrate your answer where appropriate with large clearly labeled diagrams.

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1. a) Summarise the roles of carbohydrate in the body **(10 marks)**  
b) Outline the dynamics of carbohydrate metabolism during physical activities of various intensities. **(15marks)**
2. a) Outline the time course for oxygen consumption during 10 minutes of moderate intensity exercise. **(8marks)**  
b) Discuss the differences in recovery oxygen consumption patterns from moderate to exhaustive exercise. **(12marks)**  
c) What factors account for the excess post exercise oxygen consumption from each form of exercise from (b) above? **(5 marks)**
3. a) Distinguish between steady state and non steady state exercise **(5 marks)**  
b) Outline optimal recovery procedures from steady-rate and non-steady-rate exercise **(8marks)**  
c) Discuss the blood lactate threshold and indicate differences between sedentary and endurance trained individuals. **(12marks)**
4. The measurement of the body's rate of heat production gives direct assessment of metabolic rate. The metabolic rate can also be estimated indirectly.

- a) Define direct calorimetry, indirect calorimetry, closed circuit spirometry and open circuit spirometry. **(5 marks)**
- b) Define respiratory quotient and discuss its use to quantify energy release in metabolism and the composition of the food mixture metabolised during rest and steady –rate exercise. **(12marks)**
- c) Discuss the difference between respiratory quotient and respiratory exchange ratio and factors that affect each. **(8marks)**
5. a) What are the differences between gross energy expenditure and gross energy expenditure. **(4 marks)**  
b) Graph the relationship between running velocity and energy expenditure. **(4 marks)**
- c) Describe the advantages and disadvantages of ankle and handled weights to increase energy expenditure during walking and running. **(10 marks)**
- d) Discuss the influence of body mass, exercise surface, and footwear on energy expenditure during walking and running. **(7marks)**
6. a) What is stroke volume? **(1 mark)**  
b) Discuss two physiological mechanisms that influence exercise stroke volume **(5marks)**  
c) Contrast the components of cardiac output during rest and maximal exercise for sedentary and endurance-trained athletes. **(8marks)**  
d) Outline cardiac output distribution to major body tissues during rest and intense aerobic exercise. **(6marks)**  
e) Outline factors that contribute to expanding the arterio-venous oxygen difference during graded exercise. **(5marks)**

**END OF EXAMINATION**