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**ZCE 538/2 - Radiobiology and Radiation Chemistry**  
**[Radiobiologi dan Kimia Sinaran]**

Duration 2 hours  
[Masa 2 jam]

Please check that the examination paper consists of **THREE** pages of printed material before you begin the examination

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**Instruction** Answer all **FOUR** questions Students are allowed to answer all questions in Bahasa Malaysia or in English

*[Arahan Jawab kesemua **EMPAT** soalan Pelajar dibenarkan menjawab semua soalan sama ada dalam Bahasa Malaysia atau Bahasa Inggeris ]*

- 1      (a)     Describe in detail how a ‘spleen colony assay’ (colony forming bone marrow cells) is performed experimentally to obtain a dose response curve  
*[Huraikan dengan teliti bagaimana ‘spleen colony assay’ (colony forming bone marrow cells) dilakukan secara eksperimen untuk mendapatkan lengkung kehidupan dos ]*  
(30/100)
- (b)     Draw this dose response curve on a linear-linear scale and on a logarithm-linear scale. Explain the difference. Label  $D_o$ ,  $D_q$  and n in the cell survival curve. Explain  $D_o$  and  $D_q$   
*[Lakarkan lengkung kehidupan pada skala linear-linear dan pada skala logarithm-linear Terangkan perbezaannya Labelkan  $D_o$ ,  $D_q$  dan n dalam lengkung itu Terangkan  $D_o$  dan  $D_q$  ]*  
(40/100)
- (c)     Explain what is meant by  $TCD_{50}$  and tumor growth delay  
*[Terangkan maksud  $TCD_{50}$  dan ‘tumor growth delay’ ]*  
(30/100)
- 2      (a)     Compare and contrast a spheroid model with a human tumor according to Thomlinson & Gray  
*[Bandingan model ‘spheroid’ dengan model tumor manusia oleh Thomlinson & Gray ]*  
(40/100)
- (b)     Describe two methods to synchronise cell population  
*[Terangkan dua kaedah untuk ‘synchronise’ populasi sel ]*  
(30/100)
- (c)     Describe the importance of oxygen in fractionated radiotherapy treatment of tumor  
*[Huraikan kepentingan oksigen dalam rawatan radioterapi ‘fractionation’ bagi suatu tumor ]*  
(30/100)
- 3      (a)     Explain the linear quadratic model. State its relevance to early responding and to late responding tissue in radiotherapy treatment  
*[Terangkan model linear-kuadratic Nyatakan relevansnya pada ‘early responding’ dan pada ‘late responding’ tisu dalam rawatan radioterapi ]*  
(30/100)

- (b) State the 4Rs in radiotherapy Explain how the 4Rs affect treatment planning for a rapidly proliferating tumor  
*[Nyatakan 4Rs dalam radioterapi Terangkan bagaimana 4Rs memberi kesan dalam rawatan pada tumor yang tumbuh dengan cepat ]*  
 (30/100)

- (c) In a conventional treatment, 70 Gy in 35 fractions is given for 5 days per week A hyperfraction treatment is given twice daily 6 hours apart for 5 days per week The total treatment time is 7 weeks You have to choose to give hyperfraction of either 1.2 Gy/F or 1.4 Gy/F Which one would you choose Why?  
*[Dalam rawatan ‘conventional’ 70 Gy dalam 35 fraction diberi bagi 5 hari seminggu Dalam rawatan ‘hyperfraction’ sinaran diberi dua kali sehari dalam julat masa 6 jam untuk 5 hari seminggu Jumlah masa rawatannya 7 minggu Dalam hyperfraction, anda perlu pilih 1.2 Gy/F atau 1.4 Gy/F Manakah yang anda pilih? Mengapa?]*

$$\alpha/\beta = 10 \quad \text{Early responding tissue}$$

$$\alpha/\beta = 3 \quad \text{Late responding tissue}$$

(40/100)

- 4 (a) How does low dose rate brachytherapy differ from high dose rate external therapy in terms of radiobiology  
*[Bagaimana kadar dos rendah dalam brachytherapi berbeza dari kadar dos tinggi dalam radioterapi luar dari segi radiobiologi ]*  
 (40/100)

- (b) Explain the following terms  
*[Huraikan ungkapan berikut ]*
- (i) oxygen enhancement ratio (OER)  
*[nisbah oksigen enhancement]*
  - (ii) relative biological efficiency (RBE)  
*[kecekapan relatif biologi]*
  - (iii) hyperfractionation and accelerated fractionation  
*[hyperfractionation dan accelerated fractionation]*
- (c) Describe the factors influencing cell killing by hyperthermia  
*[Huraikan faktor-faktor yang mempengaruhi kematian sel oleh hipertermia]*  
 (30/100)
- (30/100)