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**BSc (HONS) DENTAL TECHNOLOGY**

**SEMESTER TWO EXAMINATION 2023/2024**

**INTRODUCTORY DENTAL BIOMATERIALS**  
**SCIENCE**

**MODULE NO: DNT4105**

Date: Friday 17 May 2024

Time: 10.00 am – 12.00 noon

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**INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES:**

There are 19 questions on this paper.

Answer ALL questions.

Marks for parts of questions are shown in brackets.

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**SECTION A ANSWER ALL QUESTIONS**

**DENTAL ALLOYS Questions -**

1. Explain why gold alloys are a good material to use in the oral environment.

**6 marks**

2. Why is the melting range important when selecting a bonding alloy?

**2 marks**

3. Why would a chrome denture be selected in preference to an all acrylic denture?

**3 marks**

4. State two advantages of using non-precious alloys.

**2 marks**

5. What is the role of the following metals in an alloy?

- a. Gold
- b. Platinum
- c. Chrome
- d. Copper
- e. Molybdenum

**5 marks**

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**6. Fixed Prosthodontics scenario**



- a) Identify the type of restoration and discuss the issues with the appliance.

**8 marks**

- b) Select 2 different biomaterials to construct a new restoration, include the advantages and disadvantages of each option.

**7 marks**

**Ceramic Questions –**

7. Zirconia and Lithium disilicate are ceramic materials manufactured using CAD/CAM techniques. Describe the advantages of these materials in comparison to feldspathic ceramics.

**3 marks**

8. What are the properties associated with dental ceramics?

**8 marks**

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9. Describe the following 3 ceramic to metal bonding mechanisms –

a) Physical

(2 marks)

b) Mechanical

(2 marks)

c) Chemical

(2 marks)

**Total 6 marks**

10. Name 3 methods of forming appliances using dental ceramics.

**3 marks**

11. With the use of a diagram, demonstrate how addition constituents can be used to prevent crack propagation.

**4 marks**

12. a) Identify 3 strength types associated with dental ceramics.

**3 marks**

b) For each strength type state if the value is high or low.

**3 marks**

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### **Polymer Questions**

13. Name 5 different types of dental polymer manufacturing and state one use for each material.

**10 marks**

14. A denture has been returned to the laboratory as there is porosity present in the acrylic.

a) Highlight the manufacturing faults that may have caused this issue.

**6 marks**

b) How does this effect the properties of the material and performance of the appliance?

**6 marks**

15. What are the advantages of using heat cured poly-methyl methacrylate?

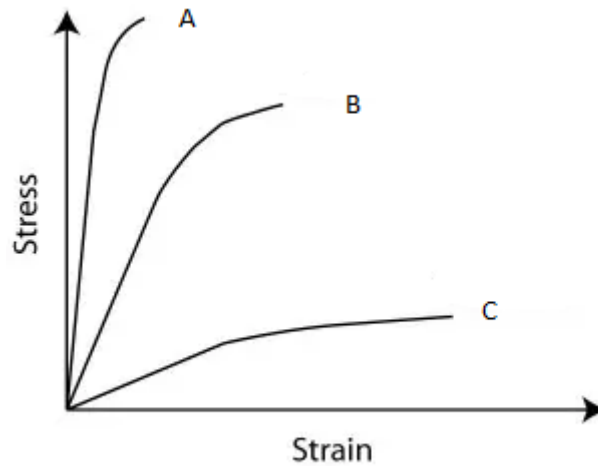
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16. Identify the classification of dental biomaterials shown in the Stress Strain Curve Chart below for each letter.

**3 marks**



17. Define Modulus of Elasticity

**1 mark**

18. What is Ultimate Tensile Strength?

**2 marks**

19. How is elongation calculated?

**3 marks**

**END OF QUESTIONS**