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Rajiv Gandhi University of Health Sciences, Karnataka IV Year Pharma-D (Post Baccalaureate) Degree Examination - Sep 2012

Time: Three Hours Max. Marks: 70 Marks

BIOSTATISTICS AND RESEARCH METHODOLOGY

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Your answers should be specific to the questions asked Draw neat labeled diagrams wherever necessary

LONG ESSAYS (Answer any two)

2 x 10 = 20 Marks

- What are case studies?
- 2. Define a) incidence rate b) prevalence rate, c) Relative risk, and d) Attributable risk
- 3 Distinguish between the measures of central tendency and measures of spread(or variation)

SHORT ESSAYS (Answer any six)

6 x 5 = 30 Marks

- 4. What is linear regression? How is it useful in pharmaceutical sciences?
- Define relative measures of variation. Explain its importance over standard deviation with an illustration
- 6. Explain the role of computers in maintaining patient medication profiles
- 7. Describe the different types of graphical methods used for presenting qualitative data
- 8. Write a note on statistical software
- a) define Null hypothesis and alternative hypothesis
 - b) relationship between sample size and power of the test
- The following data on pulse rate are obtained in a study to assess the effectiveness of two drugs

Drug A: 90,89,94,,103,96,107,112,95,112,101

Drug B: 98,82,89,85,78,81,80,73,71,70

Test which drug is more effective in reducing the pulse rate by stating suitable hypothesis (Critical value: 1.734)

11. What are the assumptions under which Chi-square test can be applied to analyze data? If these assumptions fail which alternative statistical test do you suggest analyzing data? For what type of data chi-square test is applied?

SHORT ANSWERS 10 x 2 = 20 Marks

- Student's paired t-test
- Quantitative and qualitative variables
- Scattered plot
- Type-I and Type- II errors
- Sign test
- 17. Semi logarithmic plots
- 18. Percentiles
- ANOVA
- 20. Role of sample size in the calculation of confidence interval
- Role of standard error in testing of hypothesis.

