# LOYOLA COLLEGE (AUTONOMOUS), CHENNAI – 600 034

# M.Sc. DEGREE EXAMINATION - CHEMISTRY

### THIRD SEMESTER - NOVEMBER 2014

## CH 3815 - SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH METHODOLOGY

Date: 05/11/2014	Dept. No.	Max.: 100 Marks
Time: 09:00-12:00	l	

#### Part-A

# Answer all the questions. Each question carries two marks:

10X2=20

- 1. What is research methodology?
- 2. Compare experimental and descriptive research.
- 3. Abbreviate the journals: (a) HelveticaChimicaActaand
  - (b) Journal of Computational Chemistry.
- 4. Name two secondary sources of chemical literature.
- 5. How would you differentiate the editor of a book and a particular edition of a book while writing areference in a research article?
- 6. Give the expansion and meaning of the abbreviations: (a) etal. and(b) ibid.
- 7. What are footnotes? Mention their significance.
- 8. What is CAS registry number? Mention its significance.
- 9. Mention any two types of outline methods.
- 10 What is ASAP alert?

#### Part-B

# Answer any eight questions. Each question carries five marks:

8X5 = 40

- 11. Write a note on scientific research methodology.
- 12. What are Awareness Services? Explain any two.
- 13. Write notes on (a) Current Content and (b) Indus Medicus.
- 14. How is *Beilstein's Handbuch der Organischen Chemie* important as a source of literature for organic compounds?
- 15. a. Mention two journals which publish rapid communications in chemistry.
  - b. Mention two journals which publish rapid communications only in organic chemistry.
- 16. Write a note on general subject terms used in semiannual volume indexes and CA weekly issues.
- 17. Explain the general format of a research proposal to the funding agencies.
- 18. Discuss the method of presentation of figures and graphs in a thesis.
- 19. How are google scholar and scopus helpful to know the status of citation of each publication?
- 20. a. Mention the significance of the following abbreviations: (i) pp, (ii) ca., and(iii) q. v.
  - b. Explain the following Latin words: (i) id est (ii) exempli gratia. How are they abbreviated?
- 21. Explain the layout of abstracts in CA weekly issues.
- 22. How is a laboratory note book maintained?

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# Answer any four questions. Each question carries ten mark:

4X10 = 40

- 23. a. Explain the nature of applied and basic research?
  - b. Explain exploratory and predictive research.
- 24. a. Give an account of CA collective indexes and volume indexes.
  - b. Give an account of the different types of Treatises in organic chemistry.
- 25. Briefly describe the different indexes and abstracts in science and engineering.
- 26. a. What is science citation index? Mention its significance.
  - b. Give the different format of writing references with examples.
- 27. a. Describe (a) Dictionary of Organic Compounds and (b) Theilheimer's Annual Reports on Organic Synthesis.
  - b. How is scifinder useful to identify journal articles and the status of journals?
- 28. a. Explain the format of a research thesis.
  - b. Howcould tautology, redundancy, and superfluous phrases be eliminated in scientific writing?

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