Answers to What's in a Medicine? End of Unit Test

Q	Answer with marks	Marking suggestions
1(a)	Methyl (1); ethanoate (1)	Allow methylethanoate
1(b)	Flask connected without leaks to (1); reflux condenser (no stopper), water connections shown but not necessarily correctly labelled (1); labels: heat source, reagents (minimum: line across flask), correct water connections (in at bottom, out at top) (1)	
1(c)	Two from (2); the reagents would evaporate; and catch fire; enables them to react together without loss over a period of time	
1(d) (i)	Carboxylic acid (1)	
1(d) (ii)	Ethanoic acid (1)	
1(d) (iii)	Methanol (1)	
1(e)	Reflux/heat (1); with concentrated (1); sulphuric acid (1)	First mark depends on acid/alkali being mentioned. Second mark depends on third
1(f) (i)	ethanol (1) H H H—C—C—O—H H H (1)	
1(f) (ii)	Primary (1); OH joined to C joined to 2 H atoms (1)	

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2 (a)	Description or diagram(s) showing: t.l.c. plate in covered vessel (1) solvent level below (1) spot labelled/described as 'cannabis resin solution' (1) use of 'locating agent' (or specific suggestion) (1) more than one spot, labelled/described as showing presence of more than one compound (1)	
2(b) (i)	Phenol/ether (1)	
2(b) (ii)	A will be more acidic (1); since it contains a –COOH/carboxylic acid group (1); which is more acidic than a phenol/–OH group (1)	
2(b) (iii)	It would fizz (1); acids react with carbonates to form carbon dioxide (1)	
2(b) (iv)	Purple/violet/mauve colour (1)	
2(b) (v)	No (1); neither phenol nor carboxylic acid groups react with it (1)	
2(c) (i)	Mass spectrometry (1)	
2(c) (ii)	Infrared spectroscopy (1)	

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3(a) (i)	247 – 174 (1) = 73 (1)	Allow error carried forward on second mark
3(a) (ii)	Calculation for $C_3H_5O_2 = 73$ must be shown (1)	
3(a) (iii)	lons are $\mathrm{CH_3}^+$ and $\mathrm{C_6H_5}^+$ $\mathrm{CH_3}$ (1); $\mathrm{C_6H_5}$ (1); both positive ions (1)	
3(b) (i)	Absorption/peak at 3400 (cm ⁻¹) (1) indicates O–H group (1)	Allow ± 50 Insist on O–H not OH

3(b) (ii)	H H H H H C C C C O C C H H H C C C C O C C H H H H	
3(c)	Two from (2): the new compound might be a better painkiller; might have different medicinal properties, fewer side-effects	
3(d)	Flow chart showing three from (3): biological testing; testing on human volunteers; testing on small sample of patients; large trials on patients; placebos; looking especially for side reactions or effects on vulnerable groups	Procedures must be in a sensible order; maximum (2) if not
3(e) (i)	H H H	
3(e) (ii)	CH ₃ COCH ₃ CO group (1); rest of structure (1)	Or fuller structural formulae
3(e) (iii)	Ketone (1)	Allow carbonyl
3(e) (iv)	Reflux (1); with acid (1); dichromate(VI) (1)	First mark depends on mention of some oxidant (even if slightly incorrect). Allow named compounds and correct formulae
3(e) (v)	$CH_3CH=CH_2$ (1); propene (1)	Or fuller structural formulae
3(e) (vi)	Elimination (1)	

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