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MBBS PHASE I, STAGE I DEGREE EXAMINATION – FEBRUARY 2005

SUBJECT: BIOCHEMISTRY – I (ESSAY)

Wednesday, February 16, 2005

Time	e: 2 Hours	Max. Marks: 60
Ø	Answer ALL questions.	
Ø	Write brief, relevant and legible answers. Draw diagram, flow charts wherever	er appropriate.
1.	When an unknown compound was added to an enzyme catalyzed reaction inhibition of the reaction with an increase in Km value of the enzyme.	mixture, it caused
1A.	Identify the type of inhibition caused by the unknown compound. Justify you	r answer.
1B.	Draw the Lineweaver-Burke plot for the above type of inhibition.	
1C.	Name two drugs that act through the above mechanism and the enzymes inhib	pited by them. $(1+2+2=5 \text{ marks})$
2.	Draw and label the general structure of an immunoglobulin.	(3 marks)
3.	Classify phospholipids giving <i>two</i> examples for each class. Name phospholipid in the lung surfactant and give its function.	the predominant (3 marks)
4.	Describe the importance of glucose 6-phosphate dehydrogenase (G6PD) in the	e erythrocytes. (3 marks)
5.	What is plasma total iron-binding capacity (TIBC)? What is its clinical signif	icance? (2 marks)
6.	What is the significance of citric acid cycle?	(5 marks)
7.	Write the sequence of reactions that oxidize palmitic acid.	(6 marks)
8.	Write a note on the regulation of cholesterol biosynthesis.	(2 marks)
9.	Ali, a worker in the local factory, was brought to the emergency department unconscious state. Doctor on duty noticed alcohol smell in his breath and in	

blood for glucose estimation, which was found to be 30 mg/dl. His friends told the doctor that he was a chronic alcoholic and on physical examination, the doctor found that Ali had

hepatomegaly.

Describe the biochemical basis of the findings in Ali.

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(5 marks)

- 10. Give biochemical reasons for the following:
- 10A. Intake of milk by a person with lactose intolerance leads to flatulence, abdominal cramps and diarrhea
- 10B. In patients with obstructive jaundice, bilirubin is found in the urine but urobilinogen is absent (2+2=4 marks)
- 11. A patient was admitted to the hospital in a state of coma with a fruity odor in his breath. The doctor came to know from the patient's relatives that he had not taken his regular insulin injections for the past three days. Blood investigations revealed the following: Glucose: 560 mg/dl

pH: 7.15

HCO₃⁻: 15 mmol/l

pCO₂: 40 mm Hg

12. What is your diagnosis? Explain the clinical and biochemical findings in this patient.

(5 marks)

 With the help of diagrams, describe the functioning of adenylate cyclase second messenger system.

(6 marks)

- 14A. Outline the importance of phenylalanine in the human body.
- 14B. Mention the biochemical defect and its consequences in classical galactosemia.

(3+3 = 6 marks)

Describe the steps involved in polymerase chain reaction (PCR) with the help of diagrams.
 Mention the applications of this technique.

(5 marks)

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MBBS PHASE I STAGE I DEGREE EXAMINATION – FEBRUARY 2005 SUBJECT: BIOCHEMISTRY – II (MCQs)

Wednesday, February 16, 2005

Time: 1 Hour

Max. Marks: 120

INSTRUCTIONS

- 1. For each statement, select T (True) or F (False) as your choice.
- 1. Indicate your choice by darkening the appropriate circle in the answer sheet provided.
- 3. Use only HB or 2B pencils to darken the circle.
- 4. Leave blank for Don't Know response.
- 5. Scoring systems is as follows:

For every Correct response

1 mark is awarded

For every Wrong response

0.5 mark is deducted

For every Don't' Know response

No mark is deducted

- 6. Indicate your roll number (Registration Number) clearly and correctly.
- 7. Do not write anything in the question paper.
- 8. The true/false statements are numbered 101 to 160 and 201 to 260 (Total 120 statements).
- 9. This question paper contains **04 pages**. Please make sure that the question paper provided to you has all the pages.

Conjugate proteins

- Contain a non protein prosthetic group attached to the protein part
- 102. Include myoglobin
- 103. Possess a tertiary structure

The alpha helix

- Is the predominant secondary structure in hemoglobin
- 105. Is stabilized by disulfide bonds
- Contains the R groups of the amino acid residues projecting outwards

Maltose

- 107. Is a reducing disaccharide
- 108. Contains glucose and galactose
- 109. Is formed during digestion of starch

Heparin

- 110. Is an intracellular glycosaminoglycan
- 111. Is necessary for coagulation of blood
- 112. Consists of repeating units of glucose and fructose

Deoxyribonucleic acid

- Contains long chain of ribonucleotides linked by phosphodiester bonds
- 114. Is stabilized by base pairing between adenine and uracil
- 115. Double helix contains ten base pairs per turn

Following pairs correctly match the enzymes with the classes to which they belong

- 116. Glucokinase: Transferase
- 117. Pyruvate carboxylase: Lyase
- 118. Alanine transaminase: Oxidoreductase

Albumin

- 119. Normal level in plasma is 3.5-5 mg/dl
- Band appears thicker than normal on electrophoresis of serum from a patient with nephrotic syndrome
- 121. Transports fatty acids in blood
- 122. Binds to unconjugated bilirubin

Glycolysis

- In aerobic condition, yields a net of 2 ATPs per molecule of glucose oxidized
- In the erythrocytes cannot proceed unless the pyruvate produced is converted to lactate
- Is inhibited by increased intracellular levels of citrate
- 126. Is regulated at the reaction catalyzed by fructose 1,6-bisphosphatase
- 127. Is the source of a compound that is necessary for unloading of oxygen from hemoglobin

In acute intermittent porphyria

- 128. There is excessive formation of heme
- 129. The patient exhibits photosensitivity

Cobalamin

- 130. Is richly present in green leafy vegetables
- 131. Is required for synthesis of methionine from homocysteine
- 132. Deficiency causes microcytic hypochromic anemia

Regarding the electron transport chain

- Complex I contains a coenzyme derived from riboflavin
- Complex III has greater redox potential than complex IV
- Electrons from coenzyme Q are accepted by cytochrome oxidase
- 136. The P:O ratio for NADPH is 3
- Cyanide uncouples oxidation from phosphorylation

Hemoglobin

- 138. Has a buffering action in the erythrocytes
- 139. Contains heme attached to the proximal histidine
- 140. S contains two alpha and two delta chains
- 141. F has higher oxygen affinity then hemoglobin A
- Oxygen dissociation curve is shifted to the right by lower pH

Low density lipoprotein (LDL)

- 143. Supplies cholesterol to extrahepatic tissues
- Is recognized by cells through apo B-48 receptors
- Migrates fastest towards the anode during electrophoresis of lipoproteins
- Level in blood is increased in patients with abetalipoproteinemia
- In the oxidized form is taken up by macrophages through scavenger receptors

After a myocardial infarction, serum level of

- Lactate dehydrogenase-1 increases to a peak value within 24 hours
- 149. CK-MB starts increasing after 48 hours

Ascorbic acid

- Is synthesized in the human body from the uronic acid pathway
- Is required for posttranslational modification of collagen
- 152. Deficiency results in nyctalopia

Regarding de novo synthesis of fatty acids

- 153. Acetyl CoA carboxylase is active in its polymeric form
- 154. Fatty acid synthase complex produces linoleic acid as the end product

Triacylglycerol

- Synthesized in the liver is transported to other tissues by chylomicrons
- 156. In the adipose tissue is hydrolyzed by lipoprotein lipase

Basal metabolic rate is

- 157. The amount of heat produced by the body during muscular exercise
- 158. Increased by triiodothyronine

Regarding proteins in nutrition

- 159. Egg albumin has high biological value since it contains sufficient amounts of alanine and tyrosine
- Positive nitrogen balance is seen during pregnancy

Following pairs correctly match the vitamins with their deficiency manifestations

- 201. Pantothenic acid: Cheilosis
- 202. Niacin: Dermatitis
- 203. Thiamine: Spongy and bleeding gums

Trypsin

- 204. Is converted to trypsinogen by enteropeptidase
- Cleaves peptide bonds on the carboxyl side of aromatic amino acids
- 206. Is secreted by the parietal cells

Glycecholic acid is

- 207. Synthesized in the liver from cholesterol
- 208. Necessary for the absorption of vitamin E
- 209. Converted to deoxycholic acid by 7 α-hydroxylase

Gluconeogenesis from

- 210. Alanine takes place partly in the cytosol and partly in the mitochondria of muscle cells
- Glycerol requires the action of phosphoglycerate kinase
- Glutamate does not occur in patients with von-Gierke's disease
- 213. Lysine occurs in the liver

Bilirubin

- 214. Is formed in the reticuloendothelial cells
- 215. Is conjugated to glucuronic acid in the kidney
- 216. Level in plasma does not exceed 1 mg/dl under normal conditions

Bicarbonate

- 217. Is the most important urinary buffer
- 218. Buffer system has a base to acid ratio of 20:1 in plasma
- 219. Reclamation is defective in lactic acidosis

Plasma urea level

- 220. In normal persons is in the range of 0.7-1.5 mg/dl
- 221. Is increased in acute glomerulonephritis
- 222. Is dependent on the muscle mass of the individual

Ammonia is

- 223. A good buffer in the blood
- 224. Released from glutamine by glutaminase

Glycogen

- 225. In the muscle is depleted during starvation
- 226. Synthase is activated by insulin
- 227. Phosphorylase is active in the phosphorylated form
- 228. Accumulates in the liver in McArdle's disease

Collagen

- 229. Contains lysine in every third position
- 230. Is stabilized by covalent cross-links between proline residues
- 231. Synthesis is defective in rickets

Insulin

- 232. Is secreted from the pancreas as preproinsulin
- 233. Receptor is capable of autophosphorylation
- 234. Increases uptake of glucose by erythrocytes

Regarding thyroid hormone synthesis

- 235. Uptake of iodide by the thyroid is stimulated by perchlorate
- 236. Coupling of iodotyrosyls takes place in the colloid

In Cushing's syndrome due to a

- 237. Pituitary cause, plasma cortisol level is increased in the evening
- 238. Adrenal carcinoma, administration of a high dose of dexamethasone does not suppress cortisol secretion

Dopamine

- 239. Is an excitatory neurotransmitter in the brain
- 240. Synthesis increases in Parkinson's disease
- 241. Synthesis from tyrosine requires PLP

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- 242. Urea cycle reactions
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