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MANIPAL UNIVERSITY

MBBS PHASE I STAGE I DEGREE EXAMINATION – FEBRUARY 2012

SUBJECT: BIOCHEMISTRY – I (ESSAY)

Wednesday, February 15, 2012

Time: 09:00 – 11:00 Hrs.

Max. Marks: 60

✍ Answer ALL questions. Write brief, relevant and legible answers.

✍ Draw diagram, flow charts wherever appropriate.

1. Explain how mature RBCs generate energy and add a note on the energetics of this pathway. (8 marks)
2. Explain anaplerotic reactions with two examples. (3 marks)
3. Write short notes on:
 - 3A. Chemiosmotic hypothesis.
 - 3B. Thalassemias. (3+3 = 6 marks)
4. With the help of a suitable diagram explain the transport of absorbed dietary lipids to the liver (5 marks)
5. A five day old newborn upon examination by the neonatologist was found to have yellowish discoloration of skin, sclera and mucous membranes. The child was irritable and serum total bilirubin was 26 mg%.
 - 5A. What is your diagnosis?
 - 5B. Write the reactions which lead to the formation of the yellow compound and its fate in the body. (½+5½ = 6 marks)
6. Explain lipid peroxidation in detail and add a note on factors preventing it. (4 marks)
7. What is protein-energy malnutrition? Give TWO differences between kwashiorkor and marasmus. (3 marks)
8. Describe the calcium phosphatidylinositol mechanism of hormone action and name TWO hormones that act by this mechanism. (4 marks)

(4 marks)

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9. Give reasons for the following:

9A. Acetone breath is a feature of uncontrolled Type I diabetes mellitus.

9B. Hyperuricemia is seen in Von Gierke's disease.

9C. Plasma bicarbonate is high in compensated respiratory acidosis.

(3×3 = 9 marks)

10. Discuss the defect, clinical, biochemical findings and basis of neurological symptoms in Wilson's disease.

(4 marks)

11. Describe in detail the process of prokaryotic transcription.

(5 marks)

12. Write short notes on Southern blotting.

(3 marks)



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Wednesday, February 15, 2012

Time: 11 :30 – 12:30 Hrs.

Max. Marks: 120

INSTRUCTIONS

1. For each statement, select **T** (True) or **F** (False) as your choice.
2. 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 **03 pages**. Please make sure that the question paper provided to you has all the pages.

Phosphatidylcholine

- 101. Is a derived lipid
- 102. Contains sphingosine
- 103. Is also known as cephalin
- 104. Is a lipotropic factor

Nephrotic syndrome is characterised by

- 105. Loss of α -2 macroglobulin in urine
- 106. Low serum albumin concentration
- 107. Bridging of β and γ bands in serum protein electrophoresis
- 108. Generalised edema

Heme synthesis

- 109. Is regulated by ferrochelatase
- 110. Requires vitamin B₆
- 111. Requires an intermediate of TCA cycle
- 112. Releases NH₃

Glucose 6-phosphate dehydrogenase

- 113. Catalyses a reversible reaction
- 114. Generates NADH+ H⁺
- 115. Is regulated by insulin
- 116. Deficiency results in photosensitivity

Iron

- 117. RDA is 10mg in males
- 118. Is absorbed in the Fe²⁺ state
- 119. Is stored bound to transferrin
- 120. Excess manifests as hemosiderosis
- 121. Deficiency causes megaloblastic anemia

Folic acid

- 122. As methylene tetrahydrofolate is required for epinephrine synthesis
- 123. Is richly found in green leafy vegetables
- 124. Is required for erythropoiesis
- 125. Gets trapped as methyl tetrahydrofolate in cobalamine deficiency

The citric acid cycle

- 126. Oxidises malonyl CoA during starvation
- 127. Occurs in the mitochondria
- 128. Regulates glycolysis
- 129. Contributes to fatty acid synthesis

Glutathione peroxidase

- 130. Detoxifies hydrogen peroxide
- 131. Produces oxidised glutathione as a product
- 132. Causes oxidation of the RBC membrane
- 133. Is a selenium containing enzyme

Coenzyme Q

- 134. Is protein in nature
- 135. Is a mobile electron carrier
- 136. Transfers electrons between complex III and IV

High density lipoprotein

- 137. Is synthesized in the liver
- 138. Contains apo B-100
- 139. Is involved in reverse cholesterol transport
- 140. Serves as a reservoir of apo CII in circulation

Risk factors for myocardial infarction include

- 141. High homocysteine levels in blood
- 142. Blood LDL cholesterol more than 260 mg/dl
- 143. Absence of Lp(a) in blood
- 144. Hypothyroidism

Basal metabolic rate (BMR)

- 145. Increases in pregnancy
- 146. Is higher in cold climate
- 147. In a hyperthyroid person will be less than 30 kcal/m²/hr
- 148. Is measured 2 hours after a meal

Biochemical parameters measured in serum for cardiac risk assessment are

- 149. Triglycerides
- 150. CK-MB
- 151. hsCRP
- 152. Troponin T

Refsum's disease is characterized by

- 153. Accumulation of phytanic acid
- 154. Lack of α -oxidation
- 155. Excretion of branched chain amino acids in urine

The Wernicke- Korsakoff syndrome

- 156. Is seen in chronic alcoholics
- 157. Is characterized by nystagmus
- 158. Causes impaired long term memory
- 159. Occurs due to deficiency of thiamine

The pyruvate carboxylase reaction

- 160. Forms phosphoenol pyruvate as the product
- 201. Requires biotin
- 202. Is regulated by citrate
- 203. Takes place in the mitochondria

Regarding enzymes involved in digestion

- 204. Carboxypeptidase is an endopeptidase
- 205. Maltase is a hydrolase
- 206. Trypsin is active in alkaline pH
- 207. Pancreatic lipase produces monoacylglycerol from triacylglycerol

Following pairs correctly match the hyperlipoproteinemias with their corresponding defects

- 208. Type I : LDL receptor defect
- 209. Type II A : Lipoprotein lipase deficiency
- 210. Type III : Abnormal apo E
- 211. Type IV : Overproduction of VLDL

Biochemical indicators of obstructive jaundice include

- 212. Increased serum conjugated bilirubin
- 213. Markedly increased serum alkaline phosphatase
- 214. Markedly increased serum transaminases
- 215. Prolonged prothrombin time

Nitric oxide

- 216. Is synthesized from lysine
- 217. Is a smooth muscle relaxant
- 218. Increases platelet aggregation
- 219. Synthesis requires NADPH

Cushing's syndrome is characterized by

- 220. Low plasma ACTH when caused by an anterior pituitary tumour
- 221. Lipolysis in the face and trunk
- 222. Hypernatremia
- 223. High plasma cortisol in the evening

Regarding plasma glucose

- 224. Fasting level of more than 126 mg/dl is diagnostic of diabetes mellitus
- 225. It is increased in von Gierke's disease
- 226. Less than 40 mg/dl is characterized by dizziness and confusion
- 227. It peaks 2 hours after a meal

The active form of vitamin D

- 228. Is 24, 25- dihydroxycholecalciferol
- 229. Is formed in the liver
- 230. Formation is increased by PTH
- 231. Increases calcium reabsorption in the kidney

Glycogen synthesis

- 232. Increases in the presence of glucagon
- 233. Is regulated by glycogen phosphorylase
- 234. In muscle is increased by epinephrine
- 235. Requires UDP-glucose
- 236. Is defective in McArdle's disease

Dopamine

- 237. Is synthesized from epinephrine
- 238. Is an inhibitory neurotransmitter
- 239. Deficiency causes Parkinson's disease
- 240. Synthesis requires vitamin C

Carbamoyl phosphate

- 241. Synthetase I occurs in the mitochondria
- 242. Is converted to citrulline by reacting with ornithine
- 243. Formation requires hydrolysis of 2 high energy bonds
- 244. Is an intermediate in purine synthesis

Ketone bodies

- 245. Make the pH of blood alkaline
- 246. Are synthesized in the muscle
- 247. Are utilized by the liver
- 248. Are synthesized from acetyl CoA

During DNA replication

- 249. DNA polymerase III reads the template strand in the 5'→3' direction
- 250. The proof reading of newly formed strand is done in the 3'→5' direction
- 251. DNA polymerase I uses 5'→3' exonuclease activity to remove RNA primer
- 252. DNA ligase activity requires energy

During post-transcriptional modification

- 253. A 7-methylguanosine residue is attached to the 3' end of the mRNA
- 254. A chain of adenine nucleotides is attached to the 5' end of the mRNA
- 255. Exons are removed
- 256. CCA sequence is attached to the 3' end of the tRNA

Regarding inhibitors of translation

- 257. Streptomycin distorts ribosome structure
- 258. Tetracyclines block access of aminoacyl t-RNA to the A-site of ribosome
- 259. Diphtheria toxin inhibits the translocation step of eukaryotic translation
- 260. Chloramphenicol inhibits peptide bond formation

