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MANIPAL UNIVERSITY

MBBS PHASE I STAGE I DEGREE EXAMINATION – AUGUST 2013

SUBJECT: BIOCHEMISTRY – I (ESSAY)

Wednesday, August 14, 2013

Time: 09:00 – 11:00 Hrs.

Max. Marks: 60

1. Draw the Lineweaver-Burke plot representing non-competitive inhibition of an enzyme catalysed reaction. Mention FOUR features and give TWO examples for this type of inhibition. (5 marks)
2. A three year old boy was brought to the OPD of the paediatric unit by his mother because she noticed puffiness around the boy's eyes and ankles. The doctor urgently ordered lab investigation which revealed the following:
 Fasting plasma glucose: 85 mg/dL
 Plasma albumin: 2.8 g/dL
 Plasma total protein: 5.5g/dL
 Serum protein electrophoresis showed a thin albumin band and a thick α 2- globulin band.
 Urine protein excretion was 4g/24 hour
 The doctor put the child on appropriate therapy.
- 2A. What is the diagnosis?
 2B. Give reasons for the clinical and biochemical findings in the child. ($\frac{1}{2}+3\frac{1}{2} = 4$ marks)
3. Describe the pathway of heme synthesis in detail and explain how lead poisoning causes anemia. (5 marks)
- 4A. Describe the process of iron absorption and its transport in the blood.
 4B. Name TWO parameters that are used for assessing the iron status of an individual and give their clinical importance. (4+2 = 6 marks)
5. Describe β -oxidation of long chain fatty acids. (7 marks)
6. Write short notes on the following:
 6A. Beriberi
 6B. Nitrogen balance (3 \times 2 = 6 marks)

7. Describe with a diagram the mechanism of the calcium – phosphatidylinositol second messenger system.

(4 marks)

8. Ramanand, a 40 year old male complained to his doctor about losing weight in spite of eating well. He was also feeling weak and tired. He was drinking water more often and his frequency of urination had also increased. His blood report revealed the following:

Fasting plasma glucose: 215mg/dL

Postprandial plasma glucose: 302mg/dL

Plasma albumin: 4.0g/dL

HbA1c: 9%

8A. What is the diagnosis?

8B. Explain the biochemical basis for the clinical and laboratory findings in the patient.

($\frac{1}{2}+4\frac{1}{2} = 5$ marks)

9A. Explain the role of glycogen in maintaining normal blood glucose levels in the fasting state.

9B. Name TWO glycogen storage disorders affecting the liver and the enzyme deficiencies in those disorders.

(4+2 = 6 marks)

10. How is ammonia detoxified in the liver? List the clinical features of hyperammonemia.

(6 marks)

11. Write short notes on:

11A. Post-transcriptional modifications of hnRNA

11B. Southern blotting

(3+3 = 6 marks)



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Wednesday, August 14, 2013

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.

Regarding amino acids

101. Phenylalanine gives rise to tyrosine
102. Histidine contributes to buffering capacity of blood
103. Alanine is ketogenic
104. Tryptophan is nonessential
105. Valine is excreted in the urine in Hartnup disease

Hemoglobin F

106. Has lower oxygen affinity than HbA
107. Consists of $\alpha_2\beta_2$ subunits
108. Synthesis increases in β -thalassemia
109. Production in the fetus peaks in the first month of gestation

Glucose 6-phosphate dehydrogenase

110. Produces ribulose 5-phosphate as the product
111. Requires NAD^+ as coenzyme
112. Catalyses an irreversible reaction
113. Gene is upregulated by insulin

The pyruvate dehydrogenase complex

114. Is located in the cytosol
115. Is inhibited by acetyl CoA
116. Consists of five enzymes
117. Deficiency causes lactic acidosis
118. Catalyses an oxidative decarboxylation reaction

Deoxyribonucleic acid

119. Consists of two polynucleotide strands
120. Has base pairing between adenine and cytosine
121. Consists of equal number of purines and pyrimidines
122. Replication is semiconservative

The tricarboxylic acid cycle

123. Is a source of energy for mature RBCs
124. Generates 12 ATPs per acetyl CoA oxidised
125. Contributes to the synthesis of nonessential amino acids
126. Has a role in heme synthesis
127. Is regulated by succinate dehydrogenase

The following pairs correctly match the enzymes with their classes

128. Phosphofructokinase: Oxidoreductase
129. Lactate dehydrogenase: Transferase
130. Pyruvate carboxylase: Ligase
131. Phosphoglucomutase: Isomerase

Glycolysis

132. In the presence of oxygen produces two ATPs per glucose oxidised
133. Is stimulated by glucagon
134. Is inhibited by a high ATP/ADP ratio
135. Is accelerated in the presence of fructose 2, 6-bisphosphate
136. Requires niacin derived coenzyme

Enzymes involved in the digestion of dietary lipids include

137. Lipoprotein lipase
138. Cholesterol esterase
139. Hormone sensitive lipase
140. Maltase

Chylomicron/s

141. Are synthesised in the liver
142. Contain apo B-48
143. Increase in blood in Type I hyperlipoproteinemia
144. Remnants contain more cholesterol ester than triglyceride

Acetyl CoA carboxylase

145. Is involved in β -oxidation of fatty acids
146. Is activated by citrate
147. Produces succinyl CoA as the product
148. Catalyses a rate limiting step

Regarding HDL

149. It transfers apo C-II to VLDL
150. In the nascent form contains phospholipids
151. Cholesterol taken up by it is esterified by cholesterol esterase
152. Its concentration in blood is inversely proportional to risk of myocardial infarction

The following blood parameters are used as predictors of coronary artery disease

153. Total cholesterol
154. Lp(a)
155. Conjugated bilirubin
156. hsCRP

The following pairs correctly match the enzymes with their coenzymes/cofactors

157. Succinate dehydrogenase: NAD^+
158. Aspartate transaminase: PLP
159. Transketolase: Biotin
160. Xanthine oxidase: Molybdenum

Gluconeogenesis

- 201. From lactate takes place in the muscle
- 202. Is increased in the presence of insulin
- 203. From pyruvate requires phosphoenolpyruvate carboxykinase
- 204. From propionyl CoA requires vitamin B₁₂

Vitamin C

- 205. Requirement per day is 60 mg in adults
- 206. Is required for hydroxylation of lysine residues during collagen synthesis
- 207. Is absorbed from the small intestine through chylomicrons
- 208. Is involved in the synthesis of epinephrine
- 209. Deficiency leads to bleeding gums

Biochemical indicators of post-hepatic jaundice include

- 210. Increase in serum conjugated bilirubin
- 211. Elevated serum alkaline phosphatase
- 212. Dark coloured stools
- 213. Prolonged prothrombin time

Detoxification of ethyl alcohol

- 214. Takes place in the liver
- 215. Releases energy
- 216. Requires niacin derived cofactor
- 217. Produces acetaldehyde as an intermediate

During thyroid hormone synthesis

- 218. Thyroglobulin is iodinated at tyrosine residues
- 219. T₄ is formed by deiodination of T₃
- 220. Thyroperoxidase oxidises I⁻ to I⁺
- 221. TSH increases the hydrolytic release of T₄

Cholera toxin

- 222. Catalyses ADP ribosylation of α subunit of Gs protein
- 223. Binds to GM₁ ganglioside on the intestinal mucosal membrane
- 224. Increases cAMP levels in the intestinal mucosal cell

Glucagon

- 225. Increases lipolysis in the adipose tissue
- 226. Inhibits glycogenolysis in the liver
- 227. Activates glycolysis
- 228. Levels peak in blood one hour after a meal

Vitamin D

- 229. Is abundantly found in cod liver oil
- 230. Active form is 1, 25 - dihydroxy cholecalciferol

- 231. Activation is stimulated by PTH
- 232. Causes increased excretion of phosphate in the urine

Collagen

- 233. Is a glycoprotein
- 234. Contains lysine to the extent of 33%
- 235. Molecule is a double helix
- 236. Synthesis requires copper

The normal serum level of

- 237. Bicarbonate is 30-34 mEq/L
- 238. Urea is 15-45 g/dL
- 239. Calcium is 9-11 mg/dL
- 240. HDL cholesterol is 15-25 mg/dL

The following pairs correctly match the disorders with the enzyme deficiencies

- 241. Tay-Sach's disease: Sphingomyelinase
- 242. Gaucher's disease: β -Glucosidase
- 243. von-Gierke's disease: Glucose 6-phosphatase
- 244. Lesch-Nyhan syndrome: PRPP synthetase

Important compounds derived from glycine include

- 245. Dopamine
- 246. Adenine
- 247. Glutathione
- 248. Heme

In Wilson's disease

- 249. Plasma ceruloplasmin is increased
- 250. Dietary copper absorption is impaired
- 251. Copper accumulates in the liver
- 252. There is lenticular degeneration

Prokaryotic RNA polymerase

- 253. Synthesises RNA in the 5' \rightarrow 3' direction
- 254. Incorporates uracil complementary to guanine of the template strand
- 255. Core enzyme contains rho factor
- 256. Holo enzyme recognises promoter regions on the DNA

Regarding codons

- 257. Changing UUU to UUC causes a silent mutation
- 258. One codon codes for a single amino acid
- 259. The codon is read in the 5' \rightarrow 3' direction
- 260. Changing of UAA to UCA results in nonsense mutation

