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MBBS PHASE I, STAGE I DEGREE EXAMINATION – FEBRUARY 2005

SUBJECT: PHYSIOLOGY - I (ESSAY)

Monday, February 14, 2005

Time: 2 Hours

Write brief, relevant and legible answers.

Z Draw diagram, flow charts wherever appropriate

- 1. Mr. Philip, a 70 year old chronic alcoholic sought neurologist's help when he noticed difficulty in balancing himself while walking. He told that he was not able to precisely perform daily routines such as buttoning his shirt, holding fork in hand while eating, write a few letters legibly. When he tried to do these tasks, his hands started shaking which he could not control by himself. These movements became more intense as he attempted to reach the targets. His son told the doctor that he had noticed clumsiness in his father's gait. Mr. Philip used to walk with legs apart and had tendency to sway to both the sides. On examination, neurologist found hypotonia in all limbs but no paralysis. Examination of reflexes revealed no abnormalities except for the pendular knee jerk. Babinski's sign was absent. There were no sensory abnormalities. Cranial nerves were normal.
- 1A. Which part of the brain could have been affected in Mr. Philip? Why?
- 1B. Describe the gait of the patient if the lesion involved only one side (unilateral) of the above part of brain
- 1C. Why did the above patient have hypotonia?
- 1D. Explain the speech abnormality of this patient
- Describe one clinical test done to assess the functioning of the part of the brain affected in Mr.Philip

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(1+1+1+1+2=6 marks)

Max. Marks: 60

- Mr. Haw was suffering from low backache for more than two years. He had undergone all
 possible treatments, but none of them helped much. His friend, Mr. Chea suggested him to go
 for acupuncture therapy. Mr. Haw found some kind of relief after acupuncture therapy.
- 2A. Describe the type of pain from which Mr. Haw was suffering from.
- 2B. Name the afferent nerve and the pathway that carries the above type of pain .
- Explain the physiological basis for pain relief by acupuncture therapy.

(1+1+2=4 marks)

- 3A. Describe the steps by which clotting takes place when plain blood is kept in a test tube.
- 3B. Name one in vivo anticoagulant. Mention the mechanism of action of the same.

(3+2=5 marks)

4. In the form of a flow chart, explain the steps involved in excitation-contraction coupling as well as relaxation in a skeletal muscle.

(5 marks)

Mrs. Ruth was admitted to medical ward with shortness of breath (dyspnoea). Her pulmonary function test reports were as follows:

Tidal volume = 350 ml

Dead space volume=200 ml/breath

Respiratory rate = 22/minute P_{aO} = 88 mmHg

%FEV1 = 65% $P_{aCO} = 44 \text{ mmHg}$

- 5A. Calculate the alveolar ventilation of Mrs. Ruth
- 5B. From which type of hypoxia was Mrs. Ruth suffering from? Justify your answer

- 5C. Give physiological basis (reason) for the alterations in the arterial blood gases of the above patient
- 5D. In a flow chart, show how the respiratory rate was increased in this patient by a reflex mechanism

(5 marks)

 Describe the regulation of secretion by both neural and hormonal mechanisms during gastric phase of gastric secretion.

(5 marks)

- 7. A 40 year old woman attended medical out-patient when she noticed that her body weight was abnormally increasing for the past few months. She developed obesity in the face, neck and abdominal regions. Her face was round; abdomen was protruding with purplish straie over the abdominal skin like the one in a pregnant woman. However, there was no deposition of fat in her limbs; instead of this, her extremities were thin. She was feeling extreme weakness. Her skin was thin, easily friable and there was a non-healing wound in her left leg. Her blood pressure was recorded to be 220/100 mmHg. She had hyperglycemia with glycosuria. Radiological examination of her long bones showed severe osteoporosis. The patient was referred to an endocrinologist.
- 7A. What could be the endocrine disorder (clinical condition) in the above patient?
- 7B. Name the hormone which was elevated in the above woman. Mention the name of the gland that normally secretes this hormone in the body
- 7C. Give the differential leukocyte picture of the patient
- 7D. Why did the above patient have high blood pressure?
- 7E. What is the physiological basis for the osteoporosis in the above patient?

(1+1+1+1+1=5 marks)

 What is cystometrogram? With the help of a graph, describe the cystometrogram in a normal adult.

(5 marks)

 What is sterility? Mention one cause and the physiological basis of it for both male and female sterility.

(5 marks)

10. Define simple diffusion and active transport. List any three differences between them.

(2+3 = 5 marks)

11. Mr. Gilbert was admitted with chest pain to cardiology ward. He was advised to undergo complete cardiac evaluation. The results of the various tests are as follows:

Heart rate=80/minute

Blood pressure=150/90 mmHg

Stroke volume=60 ml

End diastolic volume=140 ml

ECG findings: ST segment depression; widened QRS interval; Evidences of left ventricular hypertrophy

- 11A. Calculate the cardiac output of Mr. Gilbert. Compare it with the normal value.
- 11B. What is ejection fraction (EF)? Calculate EF of Mr. Gilbert.
- 11C. Calculate the mean arterial pressure of this patient.
- 11D. What is ST segment depression suggestive of?

(5 marks)

12A. Draw and label the pathway for taste sensation from receptors till cortex.

12B. Describe the pitch discrimination function of cochlea.

(3+2 = 5 marks)

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SUBJECT: PHYSIOLOGY - II (MCQs)

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Time: 1 Hour 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.
- Leave blank for Don't Know response.
- 5. Scoring systems is as follows: K. M. C. LIBRARY

For every **Correct** response For every **Wrong** response For every **Don't' Know** response 1 mark is awarded 0.5 mark is deducted 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).
- This question paper contains 04 pages. Please make sure that the question paper provided to you has all the pages.

Absolute refractory period during an action potential

- 101. Is the period during which second stimulus, however strong will not be able to produce another action potential
- Corresponds to the period from the time the firing level is reached until repolarization is about two-third complete in a nerve fiber
- Is longer in cardiac muscles than skeletal muscles

Multiunit smooth muscles

- 104. Are also called visceral smooth muscles
- 105. Do not respond to circulating hormones
- 106. Are nonsyncytial in function
- 107. Contain troponinC as calcium binding protein

Force of contraction is increased in a skeletal muscle by

- 108. Increasing the plasma calcium level
- Stretching the muscle before contraction within physiological limits
- Increasing the strength of stimulus above the maximal level

Osmolarity of plasma is

- 111. About 300 mOsm/liter
- 112. Equal to that of intracellular fluid

Core body temperature

- 113. Is same as the temperature of the skin
- 114. Increases during fever
- 115. Changes with environmental temperature
- 116. Is fixed at a constant value by cerebral cortex

During erythropoiesis

- 117. The cell size gradually decreases
- Hemoglobin synthesis is complete at late normoblast stage
- Color of cytoplasm gradually changes from basophilic to acidophilic type

Monocytes

- 120. Make about 20% of leucocytes in circulation
- When migrated to tissues are called macrophages
- 122. Secrete immunoglobulin
- 123. Remove antigens by phagocytosis

Hazards of mismatched transfusion include

- 124. Acute renal failure
- 125. Development of jaundice
- 126. Volume overload and right heart failure

Residual volume

- 127. Is the volume of air in the lungs after quiet expiration
- 128. Can not be measured by simple water spirometer
- 129. Increases in fibrosis of lungs

About lung surfactants

- 130. They lower the surface tension in the alveoli
- 131. They help to prevent pulmonary edema
- Maturation of surfactants in the lungs is accelerated by glucocorticoids

Pulmonary blood flow

- Is more in the base of lungs than apex in supine posture
- 134. Is same as cardiac output
- Decreases in areas of lung which are having less ventilation

Regarding ventilatory responses to carbon dioxide

- 136. A rise in arterial PCO2 stimulates ventilation
- Cutting afferents from carotid chemoreceptors stop ventilatory response to changing PCO2
- 138. A rise in PaCO2 along with hypoxia is a better stimulant than the rise in PaCO2 alone for central chemoreceptors

PR interval in ECG

- 139. Is about 0.12-0.20 second
- Indicates the time taken for ventricular depolarization

During isovolumetric ventricular contraction

- 141. All valves are closed
- There is a sharp rise in the intraventricular pressure
- 143. Bulging of atrioventricular valves into atrial cavity produce 'c' wave in atrial pressure tracing
- 144. The volume of blood in each ventricle is same as end diastolic volume

Myocardial contractility

- Refers to the myocardial contraction independent of length of myocardium
- 146. Increases by circulating catecholamines
- 147. Decreases by digitalis
- 148. Increases by an increase in end diastolic volume

Velocity of blood flow is

- 149. Maximum in capillaries
- Directly proportional to total area of cross section of a given type of vessel
- 151. Increased during exercise
- 152. Same in both aorta and vena cava

Arterial baroreceptors

- Are stretch receptors, located in the walls of blood vessels
- 154. In the carotid sinus are supplied by vagus nerve
- When stimulated, reduce the peripheral resistance by reflex mechanism
- Are reset at an elevated blood pressure in a patient with hypertension

Regarding effects of thyroid hormones

- They increase oxygen consumption in all tissues in the body including brain
- They are essential for hepatic conversion of carotene to vitaminA
- 159. They increase heart rate and force of contraction

Effects of insulin include

- 160. Increased glucose entry into the adipose tissue
- Activation of hormone sensitive lipase in adipose tissue
- 202. Increased protein catabolism in muscles
- 203. Stimulation of growth in childhood

Aldosterone secretion is stimulated by

- 204. High plasma potassium
- 205. AngiotensinII
- 206. Hypervolemia

Parathyroid hormone (PTH)

- 207. Is secreted by oxyphil cells of parathyroid gland
- Acts directly on bone and causes bone resorption
- Secretion is inhibited by 1,25 dihydroxycholecalciferol

Stimuli that increase growth hormone secretion include

- 210 Hypoglycemia
- 211. REM sleep
- 212. Increased free fatty acids in blood

Regarding sexual differentiation

- Mullerian inhibiting substance is secreted by Leydig cells of fetal testes
- In the absence of testosterone, female type of internal genitalia develops
- The testosterone metabolite, dihydrotestosterone induces the development of male external genitalia

Testosterone

- 216. Binds to an intracellular receptor
- Is useful as an anabolic agent in patients with wasting diseases

Hormone, estrogen

 Stimulates the growth of lobular and alveolar parts of the mammary gland

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 Is responsible for fern pattern of cervical mucus on 21st day of normal menstrual cycle

Basal electrical rhythm (BER)

- Is the spontaneous rhythmic fluctuation in membrane potential in GI tract
- 221. Is initiated by the intestinal cells of Cajal
- By itself produces smooth muscle contractions in GI tract

Cholecystokinin-Pancreozymin (CCK-PZ)

- 223. Is a single hormone
- Stimulates the pancrease to secrete a juice which is rich in water and electrolytes
- 225. Is secreted by 'S' cells of the small intestinal mucosa

About bile acids/bile salts

- The two primary bile acids are cholic acid and deoxycholic acid
- They form structures called micelles inside the intestinal mucosal cells
- Bile salts themselves are the most important physiologic choleretics
- 229. Hormone, secretin increases the water and bicarbonate content of bile

Glomerular filtration rate (GFR)

- Increases by a decrease in colloidal osmotic pressure of plasma
- 231. Is same as the clearance value of glucose
- 232. Decreases by a rise in hydrostatic pressure in Bowman's capsule

K. M. C. LIBRARY Substances secreted by the renal tubules include

- 233. Para-aminohippuric acid (PAH)
- 234. Bilirubin

Regarding handling of water by the kidney

- Of the total filtered water, maximum amount is reabsorbed in proximal convoluted tubules
- Water reabsorption occurs in the collecting duct only in the presence of anti-diuretic hormone
- A high protein diet increases the ability of the kidneys to concentrate urine

Muscle spindles are

- 238. The extrafusal fibers in the skeletal muscles
- 239. Innervated by Ia fibers as afferent nerves
- Stimulated by increasing activity of gamma motor neurons supplying them
- 241. Tension transducers in the skeletal muscles

Regarding coding of sensations

- 242. According to doctrine of specific nerve energies, the sensation is always felt at the site of location of the receptors
- Weber-Feshner's law explains the basis of phenomenon of phantom limb
- Recruitment of sensory units takes place as the strength of stimulus increases

In Huntington's disease

- 245. Hyperkinetic, choriform movements appear
- There is loss of intrastriatal dopaminergic neurons

A lesion in the corticospinal tract at the level of upper medulla produces

- 247. Contralateral hemiplegia
- 248. Upper motor neuron type of facial nerve paralysis

About the abnormalities of functions of hypothalamus

- Lesion in the ventromedial nucleus results in obesity
- Damage to suprachiasmatic nucleus leads to loss of circadian rhythm

Implicit memory

- Includes skills and habits which, once acquired, become automatic
- Is associated with consciousness or awareness of the individual

During accommodation to near objects

- Curvature of the lens increases due to the increased tension in the suspensory ligaments
- 254. Medial recti on both sides contract
- 255. Diopteric power of the eye increases

In hypermetropia

- 256. The far point becomes finite
- 257. Image falls in front of the retina

Regarding olfaction

- Axons of olfactory receptor neurons make olfactory tract
- Olfactory cortex includes piriform cortex, orbitofrontal gyrus
- 260. Distorted sense of smell is called anosmia

