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Time Allowed: 2 Hours

Maximum Marks: 200

Note: Each questions carries 2 marks. There will be no negative marks for incorrect response. All questions are compulsory.

1. During photorespiration one molecule of CO₂ and one molecule of NH₃ are released in
 - (a) Peroxisome
 - (b) Mitochondria
 - (c) Chloroplast
 - (d) None of the above

2. Light harvesting complexes (LHCI and LHCII) in two photosystems consists of
 - (a) reaction centre I and II
 - (b) antenna pigments associated with proteins
 - (c) cytochrome b6-f complex
 - (d) None of the above

3. Which of the following does not occur in cyclic electron transport and photophosphorylation?
 - (a) Photolysis of water
 - (b) O₂ evolution
 - (c) formation of reduced NADPH
 - (d) All of the above

4. Which is main collagen of basal and external laminae?
 - (a) Type I collagen
 - (b) Type II collagen
 - (c) Type III collagen
 - (d) Type IV collagen

5. Which of following is not a component of electron transport chain in chloroplast?
 - (a) Plastoquinone
 - (b) Plastocyanin
 - (c) Ubiquinone
 - (d) cytochrome b6-f complex

6. The head piece of ATP-synthase (CF₁) in thylakoids consists of how many different polypeptides?
 - (a) 2
 - (b) 3
 - (c) 4
 - (d) 5

7. C₄ pathway requires more ATP for fixation of 1 CO₂ molecule than in C₃ cycle, even then C₄ plants are more efficient photosynthetically than C₃ plants. It is because C₄ plants have,
 - (a) low CO₂ compensation point
 - (b) very little or no photorespiration
 - (c) Kranz anatomy in their leaves
 - (d) All of the above

8. The difference between the proton motive force across the inner mitochondrial membrane and across the thylakoid membrane of chloroplasts is that
- (a) the first is mainly due to voltage gradient, while the second is largely due to pH gradient
 - (b) the first is mainly due to pH gradient, while the second is largely due to voltage gradient
 - (c) it is due to an electron transport system in the first case, but not the second
 - (d) it drives the synthesis of ATP in the first case not in the second
9. On which of the following does aldosterone exert its greatest effect?
- (a) glomerulus
 - (b) cortical collecting duct
 - (c) thin portion of the loop of Henle
 - (d) thick portion of the loop of Henle
10. Dehydration increases the plasma concentration of all the following hormones except
- (a) vasopressin
 - (b) angiotensin II
 - (c) aldosterone
 - (d) atrial natriuretic peptide
11. Which of the following is responsible for the movement of O₂ from the alveoli into the blood in the pulmonary capillaries?
- (a) Secondary active transport
 - (b) Facilitated diffusion
 - (c) Passive diffusion
 - (d) Filtration
12. Adult basal metabolic rate decreases with an increase in
- (a) Muscle mass
 - (b) fever
 - (c) body fat
 - (d) body surface area
13. Which of the following has the greatest effect on the ability of blood to transport oxygen?
- (a) Capacity of blood to dissolve oxygen
 - (b) amount of hemoglobin in the blood
 - (c) pH of plasma
 - (d) CO₂ content of red blood cells
14. Which of the following is the principal buffer in interstitial fluid?
- (a) hemoglobin
 - (b) H₂PO₄
 - (c) carbonic acid
 - (d) compounds containing histidine
15. The leaving of neutrophils from the blood vessels to act on the site of injury is called as
- (a) diapedesis
 - (b) histosis
 - (c) ameboidal movement
 - (d) flagellation
16. Tissue plasmin activator _____
- (a) helps in wound healing
 - (b) causes allergic response
 - (c) boosts immunity
 - (d) dissolves clot in blood vessels

17. An increase in serum level of LDH₁ relative to LDH₂ is an indication of
- (a) muscular dystrophy
 - (b) leukemia
 - (c) myocardial infarction
 - (d) hepatitis with jaundice
18. Highly poisonous cyanide after being combined with thiosulfate yielding less toxic compound categorized as:
- (a) Cyanate
 - (b) Thiocyanate
 - (c) Thiosulfate cyanides
 - (d) Sodium thiosulfate
19. Which of the following statements about amino acid scoring for predicting protein quality in human nutrition is correct?
- (a) The amino acid score is calculated by comparing the amino acid pattern of the protein to that of egg protein.
 - (b) The amino acid score is calculated by comparing the amino acid pattern of the protein to that of milk protein.
 - (c) A single reference pattern is used to calculate the amino acid score for all ages
 - (d) Different amino acid scoring patterns are used for different age groups.
20. The following anticoagulant binds with Ca²⁺ and prevents blood clotting
- (a) Heparin
 - (b) fibrinogen
 - (c) Oxalate
 - (d) All of them
21. In isoelectric focusing, separation of proteins is based on:
- (a) Relative content of positively charged groups
 - (b) Relative content of negatively charged groups
 - (c) Both (a) and (b)
 - (d) pH
22. Choose the correct statement for BAC vector system.
- (a) BAC vector system stands for bacteria and chromosome
 - (b) It usually accepts insert of size approximately 1000kbp
 - (c) The repE and oriS sequences are required for controlling the copy number and par A-C sequences are required for replication
 - (d) A selectable marker is there for chloramphenicol resistance
23. Which of the following is a disadvantage of using YACs in gene therapy?
- (a) They can cause immune reactions in patients
 - (b) They are difficult to deliver to specific target cells
 - (c) They can integrate into the host genome and disrupt gene function
 - (d) They can be rapidly degraded by the body's enzymes
24. Which of the following does not have high concentration of aspartate transaminase?
- (a) Heart
 - (b) Liver
 - (c) Saliva
 - (d) Kidney
25. Many plasmids have ampicillin marker. This implies:

- (a) the plasmids contain genes for ampicillin biosynthesis.
- (b) ampicillin is required for bacterial growth after transformation.
- (c) the plasmid contains the gene encoding β -lactamase.
- (d) ampicillin is essential for cell survival.

26. Which of the following is not component of yeast artificial chromosome?

- (a) centromere
- (b) telomere
- (c) origin of replication
- (d) cos site

27. For cloning a DNA fragment larger than 100kb, which of the following vector system would be suitable?

- (a) plasmid
- (b) Cosmid
- (c) Yeast artificial chromosome
- (d) Lambda bacteriophage

28. Which statement correctly describes sequential steps in cDNA cloning?

- (a) Reverse transcription of mRNA, second strand synthesis, cDNA end modification, ligation to vector
- (b) mRNA preparation, cDNA synthesis using reverse transcription, second strand synthesis using terminal transferase, ligation to vector
- (c) mRNA synthesis using RNA polymerase, reverse transcription of mRNA, second strand synthesis, ligation to vector
- (d) double stranded cDNA synthesis, restriction enzyme digestion, addition of linkers, ligation to vector

29. A gene cannot be isolated from a human genomic DNA library by functional complementation of *E. coli* because of

- (a) non-functional promoter
- (b) the absence of splicing machinery
- (c) coupled transcription and translation
- (d) codon bias

30. Dideoxy DNA sequencing exclusively depends on one of the following:

- (a) termination
- (b) ATP
- (c) plasmid vector
- (d) vector primer

31. Which of the following could not possibly give rise to a restriction fragment length polymorphism (RFLP)?

- (a) a missense mutation within the protein coding region of a gene
- (b) a silent mutation within the protein coding region of a gene
- (c) a single base change within the intron sequence of a gene
- (d) an error in RNA splicing that mistakenly removes an exon

32. Which of the following is not a post-translational modification?

- (a) Lipidation
- (b) Protein phosphorylation
- (c) Proteolytic processing
- (d) DNA methylation

33. Which of the following methods is an example of forward genetics:

- (a) Gene knock-out
- (b) Gene knockdown
- (c) Mutagenesis screen for dominant mutations
- (d) RNA interference

34. If mixed oligonucleotides are used, it is regarded as _____

- (a) mixed mutagenesis
- (b) multiple mutagenesis
- (c) cassette mutagenesis
- (d) polymutagenesis

35. Process used in an expression vector to increase yield of recombinant protein synthesis?

- (a) Translation initiation
- (b) Promoter induction
- (c) Transcription terminators
- (d) Multiple cloning sites

36. Which of the following statements is false?

- (a) Oxidation of cysteine residue with performic acid is done to break disulfide bond in proteins
- (b) Reduction of cysteine residue with dithiothreitol is done to break disulfide bond in proteins
- (c) Reduction of cysteine residue with performic acid is done to break disulfide bond in proteins
- (d) Reduced cysteine is further acetylated by iodoacetate

37. Which technique is used to separate nucleic acids of size greater than 25 kb?

- (a) SDS-PAGE
- (b) Pulsed-field electrophoresis
- (c) 2D- gel electrophoresis
- (d) Isoelectric focusing

38. What is the starting point for selection of a suitable IEX matrix for purification of a recombinant protein?

- (a) Prediction of isoelectric point (pI) from the amino acid sequence
- (b) Test protein binding to an IEX matrix at a range of pHs and salt concentrations
- (c) Test protein binding to a selection of anion and cation exchange matrices
- (d) Pass your sample through a preparative column and elute with a salt gradient

39. Positional cloning is

- a) cloning a gene portion by using primers from another species
- b) selection procedure to clone cDNA
- c) cloning a gene portion using PCR
- d) mapping a gene to chromosomal region and identifying and cloning the genomic copy from that region

40. What is the basis of “binary vector” strategy?

- (a) No physical attachment
- (b) Big size
- (c) Strain dependence
- (d) Lysogenic/lytic cycle

41. Which of the following isotope is NOT radioactive

- (a) ³²P
- (b) ¹⁵N
- (c) ³H
- (d) ³⁵S

42.vitamin does not act as precursor for coenzymes
- (a) Biotin
 - (b) Thiamine
 - (c) Ascorbic acid
 - (d) Folic Acid
43. Myeloma cells used in hybridoma technology
- (a) lack HGPRT gene
 - (b) lack the ability to produce Ig
 - (c) lack both HGPRT and ability to produce Ig
 - (d) lack thymidine kinase
44. In competitive enzymatic inhibition
- (a) V_{max} decreases, K_m decreases
 - (b) V_{max} increases, K_m unchanged
 - (c) V_{max} and K_m both decreases
 - (d) V_{max} unchanged and K_m increases
45. What is the closest estimate of number of amino acids residues in a protein having molecular mass of 90 kDa
- (a) 8100
 - (b) 815
 - (c) 9000
 - (d) 90
46. Ramchandran plot describes the sterically permitted angles for which of the following
- (a) Rotation about $C\alpha-C$ bond and $N-C\alpha$ bond
 - (b) Rotation about $C\alpha-H$ and $C\alpha-C\beta$ -bond
 - (c) Rotation about $C\alpha-C$ and $C\alpha-H$ bond
 - (d) Rotation about $N-C\alpha$ and $C\alpha-C\beta$ bond
47. Enormous diversity in protein is due to
- (a) sequence of amino acids
 - (b) amino group of amino acids
 - (c) R-group of amino acids
 - (d) Peptide bond
48. Which of the following interaction is mainly responsible for aggregation of proteins in dilute solutions
- (a) Peptide bonds
 - (b) Hydrogen bond
 - (c) Hydrophobic interactions
 - (d) Ionic interactions
49. Isoelectric point of amino acid 5.8. If this amino acid is solubilised in a buffer of pH 3.5 and then subjected to electrophoresis. It will
- (a) not migrate in electrophoresis
 - (b) migrate to cathode
 - (c) migrate to anode
 - (d) some will migrate to cathode and some to anode
50. In two-dimensional electrophoresis, proteins are separated by
- (a) First by their charge and then by their mass
 - (b) First by their mass and then by their charge
 - (c) Only on the basis of their mass

(d) Only on the basis of their charge

51. Changes of conformation of proteins can be detected by

- (a) Fluorescence spectroscopy
- (b) Circular dichroism
- (c) Ultraviolet spectroscopy
- (d) All of the above

52. Cleavage of the following peptide with trypsin will result in fragments

Gly-Ala-Arg-Ser-Tyr-Gly-Asn-Lys-Trp-Glu-Val

- (a) No cleavage will occur
- (b) All constituent amino acids will be produced
- (c) Three fragments
- (d) Four fragments

53. A double stranded DNA has 20% thymine. The percentage of guanine is

- (a) 30%
- (b) 20%
- (c) 15%
- (d) 80%

54. Which of the following statement correctly describes mammalian mRNAs

- (a) They are normally double stranded
- (b) They are transcribed from both strands
- (c) Their ratio of ribose to purine bases equals to one
- (d) They have overall negative charge at neutral pH

55. Glucose and galactose are two isomeric monosaccharides

- (a) Anomers
- (b) Epimers
- (c) Conformers
- (d) Enantiomers

56. Which glycerophospholipid is the major lipid of mitochondrial membrane

- a) Phosphatidylcholine
- b) Phosphatidylinositol
- c) Cardiolipin
- d) Lecithin

57. Most important source of reducing equivalents for synthesis of fatty acid in liver is

- a) Oxidation of acetyl CoA
- b) TCA cycle
- c) Pentose phosphate pathway
- d) Oxidation of fatty acids

58. Which enzyme transfers the phosphate group from ATP to another molecule

- a) Phosphodiesterase
- b) Esterase
- c) Phosphatase
- d) Kinase

59. Which of the following process is not allosteric regulation

- a) Regulation of lac operon by allolactose in *E. coli*
- b) Inactivation of nitrogenase by ADP-ribosylation
- c) Catabolite repression by CAP in *E. coli*.

- d) Regulation of phosphofructokinase activity by fructose 2,6-bisphosphate.
60. Histidine is present at active site of most enzymes because
- It can easily make salt bridges
 - Its pKa is close to 7.0
 - It can better interact with the substrates
 - It is the only polar residue having 5-membered ring in side chain
61. Vacuoles of plant cells are analogous to
- Spherosome
 - Lysosomes
 - Hydrogenosome
 - Golgi bodies
62. Diacylglycerol activates the following secondary messenger
- Tyrosine kinase
 - MAP kinase
 - Protein kinase C
 - Protein kinase A
63. Which hormone passes through the cell membrane and binds to intracellular receptors
- Estrogen
 - Glucagon
 - Acetylcholine
 - Nor-epinephrine
64. Radioactive iodine is incorporated into
- Tyrosine
 - Serine
 - Threonine
 - Leucine
65. Following activity is not associated with DNA polymerase I
- 5'-3' polymerase activity
 - 5'-3' endonuclease activity
 - 3'-5' exonuclease activity
 - 5'-3' exonuclease activity
66. Transposons
- insert into DNA by homologous recombination
 - can insert into plasmids but not the bacterial chromosome
 - cannot transferred by phage mediated transduction
 - contain equivalent of insertion elements
67. If a segment of an mRNA molecule has sequence 5'-CGUCCGAUCGC-3'; which of following is a sequence of template DNA
- 5'-GCGATCGGTAC-3'
 - 5'-GGUACCGAUCG-3'
 - 5'-CCATGGCTAGC-3'
 - 5'-GGUAGCCAUG-3'
68. DNA binding protein that initiates the transcription of bacterial genes is
- Promoter
 - Repressor
 - Sigma factor

d) Operator

69. Promoter of a gene is the site where

- a) Shine-Dalgarno sequence is present
- b) RNA polymerase binds to DNA
- c) DNA polymerase binds to DNA
- d) The ribosome binds to mRNA

70. Enhancers are eukaryotic regulatory elements which may be located

- a) Upstream of the promoter
- b) Downstream of the promoter
- c) Far from the promoter
- d) All of the above

71. Footprinting technique can be used for

- a) Mapping the ends of transcript
- b) Mapping position of nucleosomes in chromatin
- c) Determining the DNA binding site for a transcription factor
- d) Determining level of expression of a specific transcript.

72. Products of _____ genes are constantly needed for cellular activity

- (a) Structural genes
- (b) housekeeping genes
- (c) regulatory genes
- (d) Smart genes

73. Which of the following is epigenetic factor for expression of the gene in eukaryotes

- (a) DNA methylation
- (b) DNA protein interaction
- (c) Protein phosphorylation
- (d) Recombination

74. _____ amino acid has highest number of codons

- (a) Proline
- (b) Aspartic acid
- (c) Leucine
- (d) Tryptophan

75. Wobble hypothesis explains how

- a) different types of tRNAs are charged with single amino acid
- b) how multiple stop codons can associate with same release factors
- c) multiple tRNAs can associate with same codon
- d) one tRNA can associate with multiple codons

76. Aminoacyl tRNA synthetase helps in

- a) formation of peptide bond
- b) joining of an amino acid to tRNA
- c) attaching an amino group to organic acid
- d) binding of mRNA to ribosomes

77. Shine-Dalgarno sequence of mRNA is helpful in

- a) recognition of 5rRNA
- b) recognition of 60S ribosomal subunit
- c) recognition of 30S subunit of ribosome
- d) recognition of 50S ribosomal subunit

78. Synthesis of peptide bond is catalysed by

- a) P-site of ribosome
- b) tRNA
- c) A-site of ribosome
- d) 23S rRNA

79. Mutation in DNA that do not change the protein product is

- a) Frameshift mutation
- b) Silent mutation
- c) Sense mutation
- d) Nonsense mutation

80. Ames test is a mass screening approach for detecting

- a) Phenylketonuria
- b) Toxins
- c) mutagenic carcinogens
- d) Lactose intolerance

81. Restriction endonucleases hydrolyses polynucleotide from

- a) only 5'-end
- b) a phosphodiester bond within specific sequence
- c) either terminal
- d) at an internal phosphodiester bond.

82. pBR322 which is frequently used as vector for cloning genes in *E.coli* is

- a) a modified bacterial plasmid
- b) a transposon
- c) a viral genome
- d) an original bacterial plasmid

83. For cloning of a DNA fragment larger than 100 Kb, which of the following vector system is most suitable

- a) Cosmid
- b) Plasmid
- c) lambda -bacteriophage
- d) Yeast artificial chromosome.

84. For using a plasmid as cloning vector, minimum number of elements required are

- a) origin of replication, multiple cloning site, promoter
- b) origin of replication, multiple cloning site, selection marker
- c) origin of replication, multiple cloning site, selection marker, promoter
- d) origin of replication, multiple cloning site, selection marker, translation start site

85. A reporter gene

- a) interacts with RNA polymerase
- b) acts as repressor
- c) allows gene expression to be readily measured
- d) improves stability of mRNA

86. A gene can not be isolated from human genomic DNA library by functional complementation in *E.coli*. It is because of

- a) Absence of splicing machinery
- b) Codon bias
- c) non-functional promoter

d) coupled transcription and translation

87. Transfection refers to

- a) synthesis of mRNA from using DNA as template.
- b) introduction of foreign DNA into cell.
- c) synthesis of protein using mRNA as template.
- d) Process of becoming of normal cell as malignant.

88. Choose the mismatch

- a) Reporter molecule - acts as a shuttle vector
- b) Maxam-Gilbert method – Chemical modification of bases
- c) Biotin – Non radioactive label
- d) Sanger's Method – Dideoxy terminator

89. Restriction Fragment Length Polymorphism (RFLP) is

- a) used to fingerprint the inheritance patterns
- b) difference between restriction maps between two individuals of two species
- c) Difference in the restriction maps between two individuals of same species
- d) Difference in restriction maps between the two alleles in diploid cell.

90. J-chain is found in

- a) Ig M and Ig A
- b) Ig E
- c) Ig A
- d) Ig M

91. Monoclonal antibodies differ from polyclonal antibodies in their property of reacting with

- a) Specific epitope
- b) Specific antigen
- c) specific clone of cells
- d) All of the above

92. According to the clonal selection theory

- a) an antibody changes its shape according to the antigen it interacts
- b) Each B-cell produces diverse types of antibodies
- c) an individual animal contains only one type of B-cell
- d) animal contains many types of B-cells, each produces one kind of antibodies

93. A crossed precipitin line following double immune diffusion is due to

- a) identity between antigens
- b) shared epitopes between antigens
- c) only few epitopes that are common between antigens
- d) no common epitopes between antigens

94. IgE and mast cells are associated with

- a) contact hypersensitivity
- b) immediate hypersensitivity
- c) autoimmunity
- d) immunodeficiency

95. Which property is not related to water

- a) Dipolar nature
- b) High dielectric constant
- c) Low heat of vaporization
- d) bond angle of 104.5°

96. In alpha-helix, the hydrogen bonds are
- perpendicular to the axis of helix
 - mainly between electronegative atom of R-group
 - mainly between electronegative atom of backbone
 - mainly between some of amino acids of alpha-helix

97. During reduction
- two hydrogen-atoms are added to the isoalloxazine ring
 - flavin group is transferred
 - an equivalent of a hydride ion is transferred
 - two isoalloxazine becomes charged

98. Aspirin inhibits the synthesis of
- arachidonic acid
 - histamine
 - prostaglandins
 - glucocorticoids

99. Which of the following pairs is inter-converted during mutarotation
- D-glucose and L-glucose
 - alpha-D-glucose and beta-D-glucose
 - D-glucose and D-fructose
 - alpha-D-glucopyranose and beta-D-glucopyranose

100. In enzyme catalysed reaction that follows Michaelis-Menten kinetics, what will be the concentration of substrate when velocity of reaction is 90% of V_{max}
- 18 K_m
 - 9 K_m
 - 5 K_m
 - 10 K_m

Answer key:

1.b	11.c	21.c	31.d	41.b	51.b	61.b	71.c	81. b	91.d
2.b	12.c	22.d	32.d	42.c	52.c	62.c	72. b	82. a	92.d
3.d	13.b	23.c	33.c	43.c	53.a	63.a	73. a	83. d	93.d
4.d	14.c	24.c	34.c	44.d	54.d	64.a	74. c	84. b	94.b
5.c	15.a	25.c	35.b	45.b	55.b	65.b	75. d	85. c	95.c
6.d	16.d	26.d	36.c	46.a	56.c	66.d	76. b	86. a	96.b
7.b	17.c	27.c	37.b	47.a	57.c	67.a	77. c	87. b	97.a
8.a	18.b	28.a	38.a	48.c	58.d	68.c	78. d	88. a	98.c
9.b	19.d	29.b	39.a	49.b	59.b	69.b	79. b	89. c	99.b
10.d	20.c	30.a	40.a	50.a	60.b	70.d	80. c	90. a	100.b