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1. The fluorescence of green fluorescent protein (GFP) is derived from the chemical bond rearrangement and oxidation of the sequence Ser-Tyr-Gly. Please draw the molecular structure of Ser-Tyr-Gly. (3 points)

- 2. A graduate student discovered a novel peptide (Met-Ser-Cys-Arg-Tyr-Trp-Asp-Asn-Gly-Glu-Gln-Pro-Lys-Phe-Leu-Thr-Val) which can be modified by several types of post-translational modifications. Please answer the following questions.
  - a) What kind(s) of the residue(s) in this novel peptide can possibly be modified by phosphorylation?(1 point)
  - b) What kind(s) of the residue(s) in this novel peptide can possibly be modified by ubiquitination? (1 point)
  - c) What kind(s) of the residue(s) in this novel peptide can possibly be modified by O-linked glycosylation?
     (1 point)
  - d) What kind(s) of the residue(s) in this novel peptide can possibly be modified by N-linked glycosylation? (1 point)
  - e) What kind(s) of the residue(s) in this novel peptide can possibly be modified by disulfide bond? (1 point)
  - f) When this peptide is fully hydrolyzed by HCl into free amino acids, which amino acid has the highest absorbance at 280 nm? (1 point)
  - g) When this peptide is fully hydrolyzed by HCl into free amino acids, which amino acid can obtain bright yellow ninhydrin products? (1 point)
- 3. The schematic molecular structure of nicotinamide adenine dinucleotide (NAD<sup>+</sup>) is provided as below. Please answer the following questions.
  - a) One NAD<sup>+</sup> can accept \_\_\_\_\_ electron(s) to become an NADH.

    Please fill in the number in the sentence above. (1 point)
  - b) Among (A) (B) (C) (D) (E) indicated on NAD<sup>+</sup>, which site can accept electron(s) to become NADH? (1 point)
  - c) Among (A) (B) (C) (D) (E) indicated on NAD<sup>+</sup>, which site can accept a phosphate group to become NADP<sup>+</sup>? (1 point)
  - d) NADH can be distinguished from NAD<sup>+</sup> by analyzing them with a spectrophotometer at nm. (1 point)

- 4. Many enzymes or proteins are activated by specific proteolytic cleavage. Please answer the following questions.
  - a) Which enzyme is in charge of the specific proteolytic cleavage of prothrombin? (1 point)
  - b) Which enzyme is in charge of the specific proteolytic cleavage of trypsinogen? (1 point)
  - c) Which enzyme is in charge of the specific proteolytic cleavage of chymotrypsinogen? (1 point)
  - d) Which enzyme is in charge of the specific proteolytic cleavage of fibrinogen? (1 point)
  - e) What kind of amino acid is the major active site found in the enzymes mentioned above? (1 point)

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5. Some coenzymes that serve as transient carriers of specific atoms or functional groups in the biochemical reactions. Which coenzyme is the transient carrier of the specific group listed below?

- a) Amino groups (1 point)
- b) One-carbon groups (1 point)
- c) Aldehydes (1 point)
- d) CO<sub>2</sub> (1 point)
- 6. Please briefly describe the "lock and key" model and the "induced fit" model for enzyme-substrate interactions. (4 points)
- 7. Consider a process in which a ligand (L) binds reversibly to a site in the protein (P). This process can be simply formulated as shown below.  $\theta$  is designated as the fraction of the occupied binding sites over the total binding sites in the protein. Please answer the following questions.

$$P + L \rightleftharpoons \frac{k_a}{k_d} PL$$
  $\theta = \frac{[PL]}{[PL] + [P]}$ 

- a) Please give the definitions of  $k_d$ . (1 point)
- b) Please define the association constant  $K_a$  by using  $k_a$  and  $k_d$ . (1 point)
- c) Please define the dissociation constant  $K_d$  by using  $K_a$ . (1 point)
- d) Please give the definition of  $K_d$  by using  $\theta$  and [L]. (2 points)
- 8. What is the substrate which is required for initiation of the reaction indicated below? (1 point)

9. The restriction enzyme *EcoRV* can recognize the specific sequence GATATC and provide a blunt end digestion. Among the covalent bonds of (a) (b) (c) (d) (e) (f) (g) (h), which bond(s) can be digested by *EcoRV*? (2 points)

10. Please draw the molecular structure of  $\beta$ -D-galactopyranosyl- $(1\rightarrow 4)$ - $\alpha$ -D-glucopyranose. (2 points)

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11. The molecular structure of D-glucose in the Fisher projection format is shown as below. Please draw the molecular structures of D-mannose and D-fructose in the Fisher projection format. (2 points)

p-Glucose

12. The molecular structures of galactose and N-acetylneuraminic acid are shown as below. Please draw the  $\alpha$ -2, 3-linked and  $\alpha$ -2, 6-linked conjugations, composed by these two sugars, and point out which one can be recognized by the human influenza virus. (3 points)

## Galactose

N-Acetylneuraminic acid

- 13. Which type of fatty acid contains a double bond (C=C) at the third carbon atom from the distal end of the fatty acid? (1 point)
- 14. The diagram shows a simple illustration of the molecular structure of phosphatidylcholine. Please answer which molecules should be filled in the positions of C, D and E. (3 points)

15. Regarding the signal transduction pathway, how does binding of epinephrine initiate the cAMP production? Discuss briefly in terms of receptor structure and functions. (4 points)

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- 16. What is metabolomics? What are the principal tools for metabolomic analyses? (4 points)
- 17. Please describe how sucrose is synthesized in plants (5 points) and how it is catabolized in mammals. (5 points)
- 18. Please compare the "Q cycle" in mitochondria and in chloroplasts (6 points)
- 19. Please briefly describe the role of vitamin B<sub>12</sub> in the metabolism of odd-number fatty acids. (3 points)
- 20. How is the Calvin cycle regulated? (5 points)
- 21. How are triacylglycerols mobilized from the adipose tissues? (5 points)
- 22. How is the urea cycle linked to the citric acid cycle? (5 points)
- 23. Name one amino acid whose oxidation proceeds via the intermediates shown:
  - a) pyruvate (1 point)
  - b) fumarate (1 point)
  - c) acetoacetyl CoA (1 point)
- 24. List the precursor(s) of the following molecules synthesized in cells:
  - a) Nitric oxide (1 point)
  - b) Pyrimidine ring (2 points)
  - c) Heme (2 points)
  - d) Prostaglandins (1 point)
  - e) Progesterone (1 point)
  - f) Glycogen (1 point)
  - g) Starch (1 point)

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