

**A. Multiple choice question (50%, 2% each; one correct answer only)**

- The chirality of an amino acid results from the fact that its  $\alpha$  carbon:
  - has no net charge.
  - is a carboxylic acid.
  - is bonded to four different chemical groups.
  - is in the L absolute configuration in naturally occurring proteins.
  - is symmetric.
- The formation of a peptide bond between two amino acids is an example of a(n) \_\_\_\_\_ reaction.
  - cleavage
  - condensation
  - group transfer
  - isomerization
  - oxidation reduction
- The average molecular weight of the 20 standard amino acids is 138, but biochemists use 110 when estimating the number of amino acids in a protein of known molecular weight. Why?
  - The number 110 is based on the fact that the average molecular weight of a protein is 110,000, with an average of 1,000 amino acids.
  - The number 110 reflects the higher proportion of small amino acids in proteins, as well as the loss of water when the peptide bond forms.
  - The number 110 reflects the number of amino acids found in the typical small protein; only small proteins have their molecular weight estimated this way.
  - The number 110 considers a relatively small number of nonstandard amino acids.
  - The number 138 represents the molecular weight of conjugated amino acids.
- All of the following are considered "weak" interactions in proteins, *except*:
  - hydrogen bonds.
  - hydrophobic interactions.
  - ionic bonds.
  - peptide bonds.
  - van der Waals forces.
- An  $\alpha$  helix would be destabilized most by:
  - an electric dipole spanning several peptide bonds throughout the  $\alpha$  helix.
  - interactions between neighboring Asp and Arg residues.
  - interactions between two adjacent hydrophobic Val residues.
  - the presence of an Arg residue near the carboxyl terminus of the  $\alpha$  helix.
  - the presence of two Lys residues near the amino terminus of the  $\alpha$  helix.

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B-form DNA in vivo is a \_\_\_\_\_-handed helix, \_\_\_\_\_ Å in diameter, with a rise of \_\_\_\_\_ Å per base pair.

- A) left; 20; 3.9
- B) right; 18; 3.4
- C) right; 18; 3.6
- D) right; 20; 3.4
- E) right; 20; 3.6

Chargaff's rules state that in typical DNA:

- A)  $A = G$ .
- B)  $A = C$ .
- C)  $A = U$ .
- D)  $A + T = G + C$ .
- E)  $A + G = T + C$ .

The nucleic acid bases:

- A) absorb ultraviolet light maximally at 280 nm.
- B) are all about the same size.
- C) are relatively hydrophilic.
- D) are roughly planar.
- E) can all stably base-pair with one another.

An integral membrane protein can be extracted with:

- A) a buffer of alkaline or acid pH.
- B) a chelating agent that removes divalent cations.
- C) a solution containing detergent.
- D) a solution of high ionic strength.
- E) hot water.

The fluidity of the lipid side chains in the interior of a bilayer is generally increased by:

- A) a decrease in temperature.
- B) an increase in fatty acyl chain length.
- C) an increase in the number of double bonds in fatty acids.
- D) an increase in the percentage of phosphatidyl ethanolamine
- E) the binding of water to the fatty acyl side chains.

21. Which of the following does not involve cyclic AMP?
- A) Regulation of glycogen synthesis and breakdown
  - B) Regulation of glycolysis
  - C) Signaling by acetylcholine
  - D) Signaling by epinephrine
  - E) Signaling by glucagon
22. For the reaction  $A \rightarrow B$ , the  $K_{eq}$ ' is  $10^4$ . If a reaction mixture originally contains 1 mmol of A and no B, which one of the following must be true?
- A) At equilibrium, there will be far more B than A.
  - B) The rate of the reaction is very slow.
  - C) The reaction requires coupling to an exergonic reaction in order to proceed.
  - D) The reaction will proceed toward B at a very high rate.
  - E)  $\Delta G^\circ$  for the reaction will be large and positive.
23. The anaerobic conversion of 1 mol of glucose to 2 mol of lactate by fermentation is accompanied by a net gain of:
- A) 1 mol of ATP.
  - B) 1 mol of NADH.
  - C) 2 mol of ATP.
  - D) 2 mol of NADH.
  - E) none of the above.
24. Which of the following is a cofactor in the reaction catalyzed by glyceraldehyde 3-phosphate dehydrogenase?
- A) ATP
  - B)  $\text{Cu}^{2+}$
  - C) heme
  - D)  $\text{NAD}^+$
  - E)  $\text{NADP}^+$
25. The oxidation of 3 mol of glucose by the pentose phosphate pathway may result in the production of:
- A) 2 mol of pentose, 4 mol of NADPH, and 8 mol of  $\text{CO}_2$ .
  - B) 3 mol of pentose, 4 mol of NADPH, and 3 mol of  $\text{CO}_2$ .
  - C) 3 mol of pentose, 6 mol of NADPH, and 3 mol of  $\text{CO}_2$ .
  - D) 4 mol of pentose, 3 mol of NADPH, and 3 mol of  $\text{CO}_2$ .
  - E) 4 mol of pentose, 6 mol of NADPH, and 6 mol of  $\text{CO}_2$ .

**B. 問答題(50%)**

1. Either allosteric control of enzyme activity or enzyme induction/repression can be used to regulate the metabolic rates of cells. Which control mechanism should be the most useful to adjust to rapid changes in conditions? Explain your answer. (5%)
2. List three proteins that can be activated and then function as a GTP-GDP exchange factor for activation of G protein or Ras. (6%)
3. Give the steps that produce CO<sub>2</sub> in the citric acid cycle. (4%)
4. The bacterium *E. coli* can grow at 20 °C or at 40 °C. At which growth temperature, you would expect the membrane phospholipids to have a higher ratio of unsaturated to saturated fatty acids. Why? (5%)
5. What is the chemiosmotic model proposed by Peter Mitchell for ATP synthesis in oxidative phosphorylation? (5%)
6. What compounds would accumulate in an individual with beriberi? (2%) why? (2%)
7. Animals cannot convert fatty acids to glucose. Why? (5%)
8. (a) hypoxanthine-guanine phosphoribosyltransferase (b) adenosine deaminase  
(c) glucuronyl bilirubin transferase (d) tyrosine 3-monooxygenase  
(e) phenylalanine hydroxylase (f) methionine synthase  
(g) cystathionine β-synthase (h) branched-chain α-keto acid dehydrogenase  
Match the following disease caused by the deficiency of above enzyme:  
\_\_\_ (1) \_\_\_ maple syrup urine disease (1%)  
\_\_\_ (2) \_\_\_ albinism (1%)  
\_\_\_ (3) \_\_\_ Lesch-Nyhan syndrome (1%)  
\_\_\_ (4) \_\_\_ jaundice (1%)  
\_\_\_ (5) \_\_\_ homocystinuria (1%)  
\_\_\_ (6) \_\_\_ phenylketonuria (1%)
9. We require fats and proteins in our diets. Why? (6%)
10. Calculate the number of ATP molecules obtained from the anaerobic conversion of the following compounds to lactate in liver:  
(a) glucose (1%) (b) fructose (1%) (c) mannose (1%) (d) galactose (1%)