

7. A bacteria culture growing in a medium containing $^{15}\text{NH}_4\text{Cl}$ is switched to a medium containing $^{14}\text{NH}_4\text{Cl}$ for three generations (Resulting into eight fold increase in its population), what is the molar ratio of hybrid DNA ($^{15}\text{N}-^{14}\text{N}$) to light DNA ($^{14}\text{N}-^{14}\text{N}$) at this point?
- 2/6
 - 3/5
 - 4/4
 - 1/7
8. In methyl-directed mismatch repair in *E. coli* the daughter strand containing the mismatched base is nicked by:
- Mut H- endonuclease
 - Uvr ABC - endonuclease
 - AP- endonuclease
 - 3' to 5' exonuclease
9. Assertion: The two chains of DNA have anti-polarity.
Reason: In one chain of DNA, deoxyribose sugar at 5' end consists of a free phosphate moiety while at the other end the ribose has a free 3' OH group.
- If both Assertion and Reason are true and Reason is the correct explanation of Assertion
 - If both Assertion and Reason are true but Reason is not the correct explanation of Assertion
 - If Assertion is true but Reason is false
 - If both Assertion and Reason are false
10. Nucleotide excision repair of DNA in *E. coli*:
- Replaces both strands of the DNA in the damaged region
 - Uses high energy phosphate bond
 - Utilizes RNA polymerase to make a primer
 - Require uvrABC exonuclease
11. Which of the following is *not* a component of the transcription initiation complex in eukaryotes?
- TATA-binding protein (TBP)
 - Transcription factor IIB (TFIIB)
 - Transcription factor IIH (TFIIH)
 - Sigma factor
12. The unusual nucleotide added to the 5' end of hnRNA during processing is:
- Methyl guanosine triphosphate
 - Poly(A) tail
 - Ribosome binding site
 - 5' cap
13. Which initiation factor in prokaryotes blocks the A site of the 30S ribosomal subunit, allowing only the P site to be available for the initiator tRNA?
- IF-4
 - IF-2
 - IF-1
 - IF-3
14. Assertion(A): The genetic code is degenerate
Reason(R): Most amino acids are coded by more than one codon.
- Both A and R are correct and reason is the correct explanation of assertion
 - Both A and R are true but R is not the correct explanation of A
 - If A is true and R is false
 - If both A and R are false
15. Assertion: There is single DNA-dependent RNA polymerase that catalyses transcription of all types of RNA (mRna, tRna and rRna) in eukaryotes.
Reason: In bacteria, there are at least three RNA polymerases are required.
- Both assertion and reason are true and the reason is the correct explanation of the assertion
 - Both assertion and reason are true but reason is not the correct explanation of the assertion
 - Assertion is true but reason is false
 - Both assertion and reason are false

16. A researcher is testing a new drug designed to inhibit glycolysis by targeting a key enzyme in the pathway. They observe that after treatment with the drug, there is a significant increase in the concentration of glucose-6-phosphate (G6P) in the cell. Which enzyme is most likely being inhibited by this drug?
- Hexokinase
 - Phosphoglucose isomerase
 - Phosphofructokinase-1
 - Aldolase
17. How does the TCA cycle contribute to the overall process of aerobic respiration?
- It produces ATP directly through substrate-level phosphorylation
 - It provides electrons to the electron transport chain through reduction of NAD^{++} and FAD
 - It synthesizes glucose through the process of gluconeogenesis
 - It generates oxygen for the electron transport chain
18. What is the immediate result of each cycle of beta oxidation for a fatty acid?
- The fatty acid is completely converted into acetyl-CoA
 - One molecule of acetyl-CoA is produced, and the fatty acid chain is shortened by two carbon atoms
 - The fatty acid chain is lengthened by two carbon atoms and converted into a triglyceride
 - One molecule of glucose is produced from the fatty acid chain
19. Which of the following statements accurately describes the function of the urea cycle?
- It converts ammonia to urea, which is less toxic and more water-soluble for excretion
 - It synthesizes urea from glucose and fatty acids for energy storage
 - It breaks down urea into ammonia and carbon dioxide to provide energy
 - It converts urea into amino acids for protein synthesis
20. What is a primary function of the pentose phosphate pathway (PPP) in cellular metabolism?
- It primarily generates ATP through substrate-level phosphorylation
 - It converts glucose into two molecules of pyruvate
 - It is the main pathway for the synthesis of cholesterol and other sterols
 - It provides NADPH and pentoses for biosynthetic reactions

(Descriptive)

Time : 2 hr. 30 mins.

Marks : 50

[Answer question no.1 & any four (4) from the rest]

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| 1. What is oxidative phosphorylation? Write the site of oxidative phosphorylation and explain the mechanism of electron transport in oxidative phosphorylation process. | 2+2+6=10 |
| 2. Write short notes on <i>any two</i> :
a) IUB system of enzyme classification
b) Michaelis-Menten equation
c) Specificity of enzymes | 5+5=10 |
| 3. Why is it important in mismatch repair that the cell distinguish the parental strands from newly synthesized strands? Contrast the mechanism of nucleotide excision repair with illustrations. | 4+6=10 |
| 4. Why DNA replication is called Semi-discontinuous replication? Explain with proper illustration the mechanism of replication in both leading and lagging strand of a bacterial DNA. | 2+8=10 |
| 5. What is the role of t RNA during translation? Explain the process of initiation of translation in prokaryotes. What is Wobble hypothesis? | 2+5+3=10 |
| 6. Describe the entire process of post transcriptional modification in prokaryotes with necessary diagrams. Write two differences between rho dependent and rho independent termination in prokaryotes. | 8+2=10 |
| 7. Write short notes on: (<i>any two</i>)
a) Urea cycle
b) Regulation of glycolysis
c) TCA cycle | 5+5=10 |
| 8. Describe the process of beta oxidation of fatty acids and calculate the total ATP yield from the oxidation of a 15-carbon fatty acid. | 10 |

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