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**SECOND YEAR SECOND SEMESTER EXAMINATIONS**

**FOR THE DEGREE  
OF  
BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN MEDICAL LABORATORY SCIENCES**

**COURSE CODE:** BML 221

**COURSE TITLE:** METABOLISM

**DATE:** 20/04/2022

**TIME:** 8.00 -10.00 AM

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**INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES**

This paper is divided into three sections, **A**, **B** and **C**, carrying respectively: Multiple Choice Questions (**MCQs**), Short Answer Questions (**SAQs**) and Long Answer Questions (**LAQs**). **Answer all questions. DO NOT WRITE ON THE QUESTION PAPER.**

**TIME: 2 Hours**

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**Section A. (20marks)**

1. Which of the following enzyme is considered as defective in galactosemia, a Fatal genetic disorder in infants
  - A. Hexokinase
  - B. Galactokinase
  - C. Galactose -1-phosphate uridyltransferase
  - D. UDP-galactose -4-epimerase
2. Erythrocytes undergo glycolysis for production of ATP. Deficiency of which enzyme leads to hemolytic anemia?
  - A. Enolase
  - B. Phosphofruktokise-1
  - C. Phosphoglucomutase
  - D. Pyruvate kinase
3. Which of the following sugars is absorbed by facilitate transport
  - A. Galactose
  - B. Fructose
  - C. Arabinose
  - D. Glucose
4. The rate of absorption of sugars by small intestine is highest for
  - A. Pentoses
  - B. Disaccharides
  - C. Polysaccharides
  - D. Hexoses
5. An essential for conversion of glucose to glycogen in the liver is
  - A. UTP
  - B. GTP
  - C. Pyruvate kinase
  - D. guanosine
6. Which of the following glucose transporters {GLUTs} are important in insulin dependent uptake?
  - A. GLUT-1
  - B. GLUT-2
  - C. GLUT-3
  - D. GLUT-4
7. Which of the following metabolites negatively regulate pyruvate kinase
  - A. Fructose -1-6-Bis phosphate
  - B. Citrate
  - C. Acetyl CoA
  - D. Alanine
8. Glycogen synthesis is increased by
  - A. Cortisone
  - B. Insulin
  - C. Growth hormones
  - D. Epinephrine

9. What high energy phosphate compound is formed in citric acid cycle through substrate level phosphorylation?
- A. ATP
  - B. GTP
  - C. CTP
  - D. UTP
10. Which of the following is not a substrate for gluconeogenesis?
- A. Lactate
  - B. Alanine
  - C. Acetyl CoA
  - D. Glyceral
11. Histamine, a chemical mediator of allergy under and anaphylaxis is synthesized from amino acid histidine by which of the following process
- A. Deamination
  - B. Decarboxylation
  - C. Transamination
  - D. Dehydrogenation
12. The diet of a child suffers from maple syrup urine disease (MSUD), should be low in which one of the amino acid content.
- A. Branched chain amino acids
  - B. Phenylalanine
  - C. Methionine
  - D. Tryptophan
13. Urea is synthesized in
- A. cytoplasm
  - B. mitochondrion
  - C. both cytoplasm and mitochondrion
  - D. both cytoplasm and nucleus
14. Blood urea decreases in all of the following conditions, except,
- A. Liver cirrhosis
  - B. Pregnancy
  - C. Renal failure
  - D. Urea cycle disorder
15. Which of the following statement about glutamate dehydrogenase is correct
- A. Required for transamination reactions
  - B. Universal present in all cells of the body
  - C. Can utilize either NAD<sup>+</sup>/NADP<sup>+</sup>
  - D. Catalyses conversion of glutamate to glutamine
16. Hydroxylation of phenylalanine to tyrosine require all, except
- A. Glutathione
  - B. Tetrahydrobiopterine
  - C. Molecular oxygen
  - D. NADPH
17. What is an allosteric regulator of acetyl CoA carboxylase
- A. Fatty acids
  - B. ATP
  - C. Citrate
  - D. acetyl CoA

18. Glutamine:Phosphoriboylpyrophosphateamidotrasfarase (GPRT) is inhibited by the following except
- A. AMP
  - B. GMP
  - C. ADP
  - D. Phosphate riboylpyrurphosphate (PRPP)
19. Which of the following condition may results ion ketogenesis
- A. Uncontrolled type 1 diabetes
  - B. Pregnancy
  - C. Starvation
  - D. All of the above
20. Which of the following amino acid is not required for creatine synthesis
- A. methionine
  - B. serine
  - C. glycine
  - D. arginine

**SECTION B. (40 Marks)**

1. Citing specific examples, describe the various levels at which diagnosis of inherited metabolic disease can be made (4 marks)
2. Outline the Glycerol phosphate -3-phosphate shuttle (4 marks)
3. Explain regulation phosphor-fructokinase-1(PFK-1)(4 marks)
4. Explain how ammonia from the brain is transported to the liver(4 marks)
5. Briefly discuss the clinical aspects of fructose metabolism(4 marks)
6. Write a note on GLUT-4(4 marks)
7. Discuss significance of metabolism(4 marks)
8. Differentiate between competitive and non competitive inhibition(4 marks)
9. Outline steps of  $\beta$ -oxidation of fatty acids(4 marks)
10. Describe conversion of guanosine to uric acid(4 marks)

**SECTION C (60 Marks)**

1. Describe citric acid cycle. (20 marks)
2. Outline the synthesis of phosphotidyl choline. (20 marks)
3. Discuss disorders associated with urea cycle. (20 marks)