QUESTION PAPER

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21.	The ionic strength	of a (0.2 M Na ₂ HPO	O ₄ solution w	ill be			
	(a) 0.2 M	(b)	0.4 M	(c)		((d)	0.8 M
22.	A cell line deficie	nt in s	salvage pathw	ay for nucleo	otide biosynth	nesis was	fed	with medium containing
	¹⁵ N labelled amin	o acid	ls. Purines we	ere then extr	acted. Treatr	nent with	wh	nich one of the following
	amino acids is like	ely to	produce ¹⁵ N la	abelled purin	es?			
	(a) Aspartic acid	(b)	Glycine	(c)	Glutamine	((d)	Aspartamine
23.	Enzymes accelera	ite a re	action by whi	ich one of the	following st	rategies?		
	(a) Decreasing en	ergy r	equired to for	m the transiti	on state.			
	(b) Increasing kin	etic er	nergy of the su	ıbstrate.				
	(c) Increasing the	free e	nergy differen	ice between s	substrate and	the produ	ıct.	
	(d) Increasing the	turn c	over number o	f enzymes.				
24.	Coupling of the re	action	centers of oxi	dative phospl	norylation is a	chieved b	y w	hich one of the following?
	(a) Making a com	iplex o	of all four reac	ction centers.				
	(b) Locating all fo	our coi	mplexes in the	e inner mem	brane.			
	(c) Ubiquinones a	and cy	tochrome C.					
	(d) Pumping of pr	rotons						
25.	The genome of a	bacter	ium is compo	sed of a sing	le DNA mole	ecule which	ch is	s 109 bp long. How many
	moles of genomic	DNA	is present in	the bacteriun	n? [Consider .	Avogadro	6×	(10^{23})
	1 10=23		114					
	(a) $\frac{1}{6} \times 10^{-23}$	(b)	$6^{\times 10^{-1}}$	(c)	6×10^{14}		(d)	6×10^{23}
26.	It takes 40 minute	s for a	typical E.coli	cell to comp	letely replicat	e its chro	mos	some. Simultaneous to the
								d before the cell divides.
	What would be th	e gene		f <i>E.coli</i> grow			k me	edium ?
	(a) 20 minutes	(b)	40 minutes	(c)	60 minutes	s ((d)	30 minutes
27.	Glycophorin havin	g one l	highly hydroph	nobic domain	is able to spar	n a phospl	holip	oid bilayer membrane only
	(a) once	(b)	twice	(c)	thrice	((d)	four times
28.	Given below are	events	in the cell cyc	ele.				
	(A) Phosphorylation	on of 1	amin A, B, C					
	(B) Phosphorylation	on of l	Rb (Retinobla	stoma protei	n)			
	(C) Polyubiquitina	ition o	f securin					
	(D) Association of	inner r	nuclear membr	rane proteins a	and nuclear po	ore comple	x pı	roteins with chromo somes
	Which one of the	follow	ing reflects th	ne correct sec	quence of eve	ents in the	ma	mmalian cell cycle?
	(a) $A \rightarrow B \rightarrow C$	\rightarrow D		(b)	$B \rightarrow C \rightarrow$	$D \rightarrow A$		
	(c) $C \rightarrow A \rightarrow B$	→ D		(d)	$B \rightarrow A \rightarrow$	$C \rightarrow D$		
29.	Which one of the	follow	ing chemicals	s is a DNA in	ntercalator?			
	(a) 5-Bromouraci	1		(b)	Ethyl meth	ane sulfo	nate	
	(c) Acridine oran	ge		(d)	UV			



<i>3</i> 0.	An antibiotic that resembles the 3 end of a ch	arged	tRNA molecule is:					
	(a) Streptomycin (b) Sparsomycin	(c)	Puromycin	(d)	Tetracycline			
31.	α -Amanitin is a fungal toxin which inhibits e	ukary	otic RNA polymera	ses. T	he three eukaryotic RNA			
	polymerases show differential sensitivity to t			the fo	ollowing order (higher to			
	lower) is correct in respect of sensitivity toward							
	(a) RNA POL III > RNA POL II > RNA POL	, ,						
	(c) RNA POL I > RNA POL III > RNA POL I	II(d)	RNA POL II > RN	IA PO	L I > RNA POL III			
32.	In eukaryotic replication, helicase loading occ	curs at	all replicators during	ng				
	(a) G_0 phase (b) G_1 phase	(c)	S phase	(d)	G ₂ phase			
33.	Cytotoxic T cells express							
	(a) CD8 marker and are class II MHC restrict	ed						
	(b) CD4 marker and are class I MHC restricted	ed						
	(c) CD4 marker and are class II MHC restric	ted						
	(d) CD8 marker and are class I MHC restricted	ed						
34.	The mutation in an oncogene falls under which	ch of t	the following classes	s?				
	(a) Loss of function mutation	(b)	Frame shift mutati	ion				
	(c) Gain of function mutation	(d)	Dominant negative	e mut	ation			
35.	Which of the following is NOT a cell adhesic	on pro	tein?					
	(a) Cadherin	(b)	Selection					
	(c) Immunoglobulin (Ig) superfamily	(d)	Laminin					
36.	Which of the following is NOT a second mes	senge	er?					
	(a) Cyclic GMP (b) Diacylglycerol	(c)	Inositol triphospha	ate(d)	Phosphatidyl inositol			
37.	In chick, development of wing feather, thig	In chick, development of wing feather, thigh feather and claws depends on epithelial specificity						
	conferred by induction from mesenchymal components from different sources of the dermins.							
	This may be attributed to?							
	(a) Autocrine interaction		(b)Regional specif	ficity (of induction			
	(c) Receptor activation by hormones	(d)	Inactivation of gen	netic i	nteractions			
38.	Alveolar cells of the lung arise from which or			s)?				
	(a) Mesoderm	(b)	Endoderm					
	(c) Ectoderm		Both ectoderm and	d endo	oderm			
39.	Migration of individual cells from the surface i	into th	e embryo's interior i	s tern	ned as			
	(a) ingression (b) involution	(c)	invagination	(d)	delamination			
40.	Floral organ development is controlled by overla	apping	expression of 'A' cla	ass, 'E	class and 'C' class genes			
	in different whorls. In an arabidopsis mutant, the	e flow	ers had sepals, sepal	s, carp	pels and carpels in the four			
	worls. Mutation in which one of the following is	s the c	ause for the mutation	n phen	otype?			
	(a) 'A' class gene alone		(b) 'B' class gene	alone				
	(c) 'A' and 'B' class genes		(d)'C' class gene a	alone				
41.	Phenylalanine, a precursor of most of the phenylalanine, a precursor of most of the	enolic	s in higher plants is	a pro	duct of which one of the			
	following pathways?							
	(a) Shikimic acid pathway		(b)Malonic acid pa	athwa	y			
	(c) Mevalonic acid pathway		(d)Methylerythrito	l path	iway			



42.	For which one of the following physiological studies ¹² CO ₂ and ¹³ CO ₂ are used?
	(a) Estimate the rate of photosynthesis
	(b) Determine rate of photorespiration
	(c) The ratio of C ₄ and CAM pathways of CO ₂ fixation
	(d) The ratio of C_3 and C_4 pathways of CO_2 fixation
43.	Gibberellic acid (GA) controls seed germination by directing breakdown of the stored starch. In which
	one of the following tissues of the barley seed, α - amylase gene is induced in response to GA?
	(a) Endosperm (b) Coleoptile (c) Aleurone layer (d) Embryo
44.	The photosynthetic assimilation of atmospheric CO ₂ by leaves yield sucrose and starch as end products of two gluconeogenic pathways that are physically separated. Which one of the following combination of cell organelles are involved in such physical separation of the process?
	(a) Sucrose in cytosol and starch in mitochondria.(b) Sucrose in chloroplasts and starch in cytosol.
	(c) Sucrose in mitochondria and starch in cytosol.(d) Sucrose in cytosol and starch in chloroplasts.
45.	A diabetic patient developed metabolic acidosis resulting in deep and rapid breathing which is called-
	(a) Kussmaul breathing (b) Cheyne-Stokes respiratory pattern
	(c) Apneustic breathing (d) Periodic breathing
46.	Which one of the following is NOT involved with the pacemaker potential of heart?
	(a) "h"- channel (b) Transient calcium channel
	(c) Long-lasting calcium channel (d) "f"- channel
47.	You are asked to identify the stage of estrus cycle in vaginal smear of a mouse containing large number of leukocytes and very few nucleated epithelial cells. Which one of the following will be the correct stage of estrous cycle?
	(a) Early estrus, late proestrus (b) Late estrus, early metestrus
	(c) Late metestrus, early diestrus (d) Late diestrus, early proestrus
48.	Which one of the following neurotrans- mitters is secreted by the pre-ganglionic neurons of sympathetic nervous system?
	(a) Epinephrine (b) Acetylcholine
	(c) Dopamine (d) Norepinephrine
49.	Following is a hypothetical biochemical pathway responsible for pigmentation of leaves. The pathway is controlled by two independently assorting genes 'A' and 'B' encoding enzymes as shown below. Mutant alleles 'a' and 'b' code for non-functional proteins.
	$\stackrel{ m A}{\downarrow}$
	$X \xrightarrow{Y} Y \xrightarrow{Z} Z$ (White substrate) (Yellow intermediate) (Green product)
	What is the expected progeny after selfing a plant with the genotype AaBb?
	(a) Green (9): White (d): Yellow (c) (b) Green (9): Yellow (d): White (c)
	(c) Green (9): Yellow (6): White (a) (d) Green (9): White (7)
50.	Mutation in gene ' X ' leads to lethality in a haploid organism. Which one of the following is best suited to analyse the function of gene ' X '?



(b)

(d)

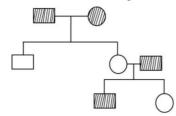
Temperature-sensitive mutants

Mutants with low penetrance

(a) Pleiotropic mutants

(c) Recessive mutants

51. The following pedigree chart shows inheritance of a given trait



The trait can be called

(a) autosomal dominant

(b) autosomal recessive

(c) X-linked dominant

(d) sex limited

- **52.** In a heterozygous individual for a given gene, if a crossing over has occurred between the gene locus and the centromere of the chromosome, the segregation of the two alleles of the given gene will occur during meiosis at
 - (a) either anaphase I or anaphase II

(b) anaphase I only

(c) anaphase II only

- (d) both anaphase I and II
- 53. Most members of bryophyte phylum Anthocerophyta are characterized by
 - (a) gametophyte with single chloroplast per cell and multicellular rhizoids; sporophyte without stomata.
 - (b) gametophyte with single chloroplast per cell and unicellular rhizoids; sporophyte with stomata.
 - (c) gametophyte with multiple chloroplasts per cell and unicellular rhizoids; sporophyte without stomata.
 - (d) gametophyte with single chloroplast per cell and multicellular rhizoids; sporophyte with stomata.
- 54. Identify the correct match between the animal (flatworm, earthworm, roundworm) and its body cavity type (acoelomate, coelomate, pseudo- coelomate):
 - (a) Roundworm pseudocoelomate; Earthworm acoelomate; Flatworm- coelomate
 - (b) Roundworm acoelomate; Earthworm coelomate; Flatworm acoelomate
 - (c) Roundworm pseudocoelomate; Earthworm coelomate; Flatworm acoelomate
 - (d) Roundworm -coelomate; Earthworm pseudocoelomate; Flatworm acoelomate
- **55.** Which one of the following gymnosperm phyla produces motile sperms, bears ovulate and microsporangiate cones on separate plants and has fleshy, coated seeds?
 - (a) Coniferophyta (b) Cycadophyta

(c) Ginkgophyta

(d) Gnetophyta

- **56.** According to 2014 IUCN Red List, which of the following vertebrate classes has the largest percentage of threatened species?
 - (a) Mammals (b)

(c) Reptiles

(d) Amphibians

Note: Since the IUCN red list of threatened species is updated priodically, student are suggestive to check tha same accordingly

- **57.** In the following equations
 - (i) dN/dt = rN

(ii) Nt = Noert

(iii) dN/dt = rN (K-N/K)

(iv) $dN/dt=rN \times N/K$

exponential population growth is described by

- (a) a and b.
- (b) a only.

Birds

- (c) e only.
- (d) b and d.
- **58.** Which gas does NOT contribute to global warming through its greenhouse effect?
 - (a) Nitrous oxide (b) Methane
- (c) Carbon dioxide
- (d) Nitric oxide
- **59.** A red coloured tubular flower without any odour is most likely to be pollinated by
 - (a) beetles.
- (b) bees.
- (c) butterflies.
- (d) birds.



60.	Which one of the	follow	ing conditions	is NOT lik	ely to favou	r male monog	amy?		
	(a) When the male has to guard his mate against mating by another male.								
	(b) When the mal	e want	s to spend mor	e time for f	oraging.				
	(c) When the mal	e has t	o assist the ma	te in brood	and nestling	g care.			
	(d) When the fem	ale gua	ards her mate a	gainst seek	ing other fer	males to mate			
61.	The origin and div	•		_	· ·				
	(a) Permian	(b)	Triassic	(c)	Jurassic	(d)	Cretaceous		
62.	Which of the follo	wing s	statements abou	ut evolution	ı is NOT tru	ie?			
	(a) Evolution is the	_							
	(b) Evolution is g	•							
	(c) Prokaryotes evolve faster than eukaryotes.								
	(d) Evolution need			•	notype.				
63.		e follov	wing is the sin	-		ate the conce	entration of glycerol in	ı an	
	(a) UV absorption	n spect	roscopy	(b)	Gas chroi	matography			
	(c) pH measurem	ent		(d)	Viscosity	measurement			
64.	Application of gen	ne ther	apy in clinical t	trials did N	OT succeed	due to			
	(a) poor integration		7						
	(b) lack of expression of integrated gene in cells								
	(c) degradation of gene inside the cell								
	(d) activation of o	oncoge	nes consequent	to integrat	ion of the go	ene			
65.	A gene expressing	g a 50	kDa protein fro	om an eukai	yote was cl	oned in an E.	coli plasmid under the	lac	
					-		detected. Which one of		
	following explains	s the a	bove observati	on?					
	(a) The cloned sequence lacked the Kozak sequence								
	(b) E. coli does not make proteins larger than 40 kDa								
	(c) Differences in	codon	preference						
	(d) 50 kDa protei	n conta	ains a nuclear l	ocalization	signal	3LID			
66.	Neomycin phosph	ortran	sferase gene, f	requently u	sed as a sel	lection marker	during plant transfor	ma-	
	tion, inactivates w	hich o	one of the follow	wing antibi	otics?				
	(a) Hygromycin	(b)	Ampicillin	(c)	Streptom	ycin (d)	Kanamycin		
67.	Which one of the genes in normal a		•	•	•	more than 10	00 differentially expres	ssed	
	(a) RAPD			(b)	Genome	sequencing			
	(c) ChIP assay			(d)	Transcrip	tome analysis			
68.	For identification	of thre	e proteins mov	ing togethe	r (as a singl	e band) upon	loading in a single land	e of	
	a SDS-PAGE gel,	, the be	est method is:		_				
	(a) one step West	ern blo	ot						
	(b) NMR spectros	scopy							
	(c) Western blot f	ollowe	d by stripping	and reprob	ing				
	(d) ESR spectros	scopy		•					
69.	Which isotope be	low is	best suited for	metabolic	labelling of g	lyceraldehyde-	3- phospho-dehydrogena	ase?	
	(a) ${}^{14}C$	(b)	$^{125}\mathbf{I}$	(c)	$^{32}\mathbf{P}$	(d)	$^{131}\mathbf{I}$		



- **70.** Which one of the following would contribute to intrinsic fluorescence to a protein?
 - (a) aromatic amino acids

(b) disulfide bonds

(c) charged amino acids

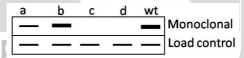
- (d) branched chain amino acids
- **71.** Which one of the following statements is correct?
 - (a) In all L-amino acids, only the C^{α} carbon atom is chiral
 - (b) Deoxyribose is optically inactive
 - (c) The specific rotation of sucrose will be the sum of the specific rotations of D-glucose and D-fructose
 - (d) Phosphatidyl choline isolated from biological membranes is optically active
- **72.** Membrane porteins are synthesized on endoplasmic reticulum and transported to various organelle membranes. One hypothesis for membrane proteins sorting is hydrophobicity matching i.e., the proteins with a shorter transmembrane portion would partition into thinner membranes.

You are given the following three observations

- A. It was found that transmembrane portions of proteins in Golgi membranes are shorter than those in plasma membranes
- B. Presence of cholesterol increases the thickness of the bilayer
- C. The phospholipid composition of Golgi and plasma membranes are same

Which one of the following statements is correct?

- (a) Proteins in plasma membrane have longer transmembrane portion than proteins in Golgi membranes
- (b) Proteins in Golgi membranes have longer transmembrane portion than proteins in plasma membranes
- (c) Proteins of both Golgi and plasma membranes have same length of transmembrane portion
- (d) Cholesterol is more in Golgi membrane than in plasma membrane
- 73. Four single amino acid mutants (a to d) of a protein in the epitope-region of a monoclonal antibody X were made and expressed in *E. coli*. The lysates from the four *E. coli* cultures expressing these four proteins were run or an SDS-PAGE gel and subsequently transferred to nitrocellulose membrane and Western blotted using a monoclonal antibody X raised against the wild type protein. The results are presented in the figure below



The four single mutation, upon sequencing, were found to be Valine (V) to Alanine (A); Glycine (G) to Proline (P); Alanine (A) to Aspartic acid (D) and isoleucine (I) to leucine (L).

Which one of the following statements is correct?

- (a) b is due to $V \to A$ and c is due to $G \to P$ (b) b is due to $G \to P$ and d is due to $V \to A$
- (c) d is due to $I \to L$ and a is due to $A \to D$ (d) c is due to $V \to A$ and a is due to $I \to L$
- 74. The exact backbone dihedral angles in a folded protein can be obtained by
 - (a) deconvolution of its circular dichroism spectra obtained at different pH and temperature
 - (b) estimating the number of protons that exchange with deuterium on treating the protein with D₂O
 - (c) forming fibres of the protein and analyzing the fibre diffraction pattern
 - (d) analysis of the crystal structure of the protein obtained by X-ray diffraction at high resolutions
- **75.** The following are the statements about pyruvate kinase (PK).
 - A. ATP is an allosteric inhibitor of PK
- B. Fructose 1, 6 biphosphate is an activator of PK
- C. ADP is an allosteric inhibitor of PK
- D. Alanine is an allosteric modulator of PK
- Which of the above statement(s) are true?
- (a) A, B, C
- (b) A, B, D
- (c) B, C, D
- (d) only A

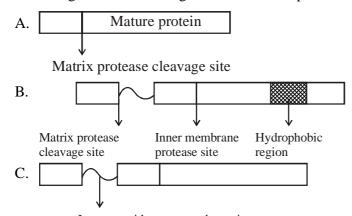


- **76.** A practical class was going on where the students were demonstrating ATP synthesis *in vitro* using active mitochondria. Some students added one of the following to their tubes
 - A. Dinitrophenol (DNP), an uncoupler
 - B. Mild acidification of the medium
 - C. Glutilferone, that permeabilizes both the membranes
 - D. An outer membrane permeable H⁺ quencher compound, Elila

In which one of the above, ATP synthesis will be detected?

- (a) A
- (b)]

- (c) C
- (d) D
- 77. A culture medium contains two carbon sources, one is preferred carbon source (glucose) and the second is a non-preferred source (lactose). Which one below is correct regarding the nature of growth curve of *E. coli* cultured in this medium?
 - (a) Growth curve will be same as when grown in presence of only glucose.
 - (b) Growth curve will be same as when grown in presence of only lactose.
 - (c) A lag phase will be observed between the two exponential phases.
 - (d) Two lag phases will be observed between the two exponential phases.
- **78.** Which of the following statements correctly applies to proteins which are translated on the rough endoplasmic reticulum?
 - (a) Cytoplasmic proteins which are targeted to the nucleus in response to hormone stimuli.
 - (b) Proteins targeted to lysosomes, plasma membrane and cell exterior.
 - (c) Proteins which are targeted to the nucleus through endoplasmic reticulum lumen as the lumen is in direct connection with the inter membrane space of the nucleus.
 - (d) All proteins which get targeted to peroxisomes.
- 79. Lipid rafts are rich in both sphingolipids and cholesterol. Cholesterol plays a central role in craft formation since lipid rafts apparentlydo not form in its absence. Why do you think cholesterol is essential for the formation of lipid rafts?
 - (a) Cholesterol decreases the mobility of sphingolipids in the lipid bilayer.
 - (b) Large head groups of sphingolipids repel each other in presence of cholesterol.
 - (c) Cholesterol interacts with fatty acid tails inthe membrane.
 - (d) The planar cholesterol molecules are postulated to fill the voids that form underneath the large head groups of the sphingolipids.
- **80.** Following is the domain organization of three proteins that are trageted to the mitochondria.



Interacts with outer membrane import pore

Based on the domain organization in the above figure and assuming the left box to be having the mitochondrial sorting signal, predict the most likely sub-compartment of the mitochondria in which the protein will be found.



- (a) A in matrix; B in inner membrane; C in inter-membrane space
- (b) A in inner membrane; B in inter membrane space; C in outer membrane
- (c) A and B are in matrix; C in outer membrane
- (d) A in matrix; B and C are in intermembrane space
- 81. You have labelled DNA in a bacterium by growing cells in medium containing either ¹⁴N nitrogen or the heavier isotope, ¹⁵N. Furthermore, you have isolated pure DNA from these organisms, and subjected it to CsCl density gradient centrifugation leading to their separation of light (¹⁴N) and heavy (¹⁵N) forms of DNA to different locations in the centrifuge tube. In the next experiment, bacteria were grown first in medium containing ¹⁵N, so that all the DNA made by cells will be in heavy form. Then these cells were transferred to medium containing only ¹⁴N and allowed the cells to divide for one generation. DNAs were extracted and centrifuged as above in the CsCl gradient. A hybrid DNA band was observed at a position located between and equidistant from the ¹⁵N and ¹⁴N DNA bands. Based on the above observation, which one of the following conclusions is correct?
 - (a) Replication of DNA is conservative
- (b) Replication of DNA is semi-conservative
- (c) Replication of DNA is dispersive
- (d) Replication by rolling circle mode
- 82. The frequency of cells in a population that are undergoing mitosis (the mitotic index) is a convenient way to estimate the length of the cell cycle. In order to measure the cell cycle in the liver of the adult mouse by measuring the mitotic index, liver slices are prepared and stained to easily identify cells undergoing mitosis. It was observed that only 3 out of 25,000 cells are found to be undergoing mitosis. Assuming that M phase lasts 30 minutes, calcualte the approximate length of the cell cycle in the liver of an adult mouse?
 - (a) 76 hours
- (b) 50 hours
- (c) 42 hours
- (d) 21 hours
- 83. Although ribonucleoside triphosphates (rNTPs) are present at approximately 10-fold higher concentration than deoxyribo- nucleoside triphosphates (dNTPs) in the cell, but they are incorporated into DNA at a rate that is more than 1000-fold lower than dNTPs. This is because
 - (a) DNA polymerase cannot discriminate between dNTPs and rNTPs. But as soon as rNTPs are incorporated in the DNA chain, they are hydrolyzed due to the presence of 2'-OH group.
 - (b) DNA polymerase cannot discriminate between dNTPs and rNTPs. But as soon as rNTPs are incorporated in the DNA chain, they are excised by the proof reading activity of DNA polymerase.
 - (c) DNA polymerase efficiently discriminates between rNTPs and dNTPs, because its nucleotide binding pocket cannot accommodate a 2'-OH on the incoming nucleotide.
 - (d) DNA polymerase cannot discriminate between rNTPs and dNTPs. Since the rate of transcription in cell is 10⁶ times faster than replication, it cannot compete with RNA polymerase for rNTPs.
- **84.** The mismatch repair activity of *E.coli* repairs misincorporated bases which is not removed by the proofreading activity of DNA polymerase. However, while doing so, it has to decide which strand of the DNA is newly synthesized and which one is parental. Mismatch repair system does it by which one of the following ways?
 - (a) It recognizes nearby GATC sequence.
 - (b) It recognizes any nearby palindromic sequence.
 - (c) It recognises a specific repetitive sequence.
 - (d) It recognises the hemi-methylated GATC sequence nearby.
- **85.** Enlisted below are different types of RNAs produced in the cell (Column A) and their functions (Column B), but not in the same order.

ColumnA	Column B
A. Sn RNAs	(i) turn off gene expression by directing degradation of selective mRNAs.
B. si RNAs	(ii) regulate gene expression by blocking translation of selective mRNAs.
C. mi RNAs	(iii) function in a variety of processes including splicing of pre-mRNA.
D. Sno RNAs	(iv) used to process and chemically modify rRNAs.



Choose	tha	aarraat	aam	hino	tion

- (a) A-(iv), B-(ii), C-(i), D-(iii)
- (b) A-(iii), B-(i), C-(ii), D-(iv)
- (c) A-(iv), B-(i), C-(ii), D-(iii)
- (d) A-(iii), B-(ii), C-(i), D-(iv)
- **86.** In prokaryotes, the initiatior t-RNA is first charged with a methionine, followed by the addition of a formyl group to the methionine by the enzyme Met-tRNA transformylase. Given below are several statements in this context.
 - A. All prokaryotic proteins have formyl methionine at their amino-terminal end.
 - B. Deformylase removes the formyl group from the amino terminal methionine.
 - C. All prokaryotic proteins have methionine at their amino terminal end.
 - D. Aminopeptidases often remove the amino terminal methionine.
 - E. Aminopeptidases remove amino terminal formyl methionine.

Which of the above statement(s) are most likely to be true?

- (a) A only
- (b) B and C
- (c) E only
- (d) B and D
- A hypothetical operon involved in the synthesis of an amino acid 'X' is 'ON' (transcribing) in the presence of low levels of 'X' and 'OFF' (not transcribing) in presence of high level of 'X'. The symbols a, b and c (in the table below) represents a structural gene for the synthesis of X (X-synthase), the operator region and gene encoding the repressor- but not necessarily in that order. From the following data, in which superscripts denote wild type or defective genotype, identify which are the genes for X-synthase, operator region and the repressor.

Strain	Genotype	X-synthase activity in the presence of
	Low level of 'X'	High level of 'X'
1. a·b·c·	Detected	Detected
2. a·b·c·	Detected	Detected
3. a·b·c·	Not detected	Not detected
4. a b c /a b c	Detected	Not detected
5. a·b·c·/a·b·c·	Detected	Not detected
6. a·b·c·/a·b·c	Detected	Detected

The respective genes for 'X'-synthase, the operator region and repressor are

- (a) a, b, c
- (b) c, a, b
- (c) b, c, a
- (d) b, a, c
- **88.** A protein has 4 equally spaced trypsin sensitive sites which results in peptide fragments A1, A2, A3, A4 and A5 upon digestion with trypsin. The peptides A2 and A5 represents N-terminal and C-terminal fragments respectively. Now you are asked to synthesise this protein. At time t = 0 you added all the 20 amino acids labelled with 14 C and initiated the synthesis. At time t = 4, full length protein is synthesized. If you stop the synthesis of the protein in time t = 1 and digest the protein with trypsin, which peptide will have maximum 14 C label than others?
 - (a) A.
- (b) A.

- (c) A
- (d) A.
- **89.** Which one of the following statements about the nuclear receptor superfamily is NOT true?
 - (a) The receptors are always cytosolic, where they remain associated with heat-shock proteins and have variable ligand binding domains in the N-terminal region.
 - (b) The receptors have characteristic repeat of the C4 zinc-finger motif
 - (c) The receptors are either homodimeric or heterodimeric, and in the absence of their hormone ligand, the heterodimericreceptors repress transcription, whenbound to their response elements.
 - (d) The receptors have a unique N-terminalregion of variable length and may contain a nuclear localization signal between the DNA- and ligand-binding domains.



90. Physical attachment between cells is very important in imparting strength in tissues. Various physical cell junctions in vertebrate epithelial tissues are classified according to their primary function. Enlisted below in column A is the major function of a particular junction and column B enlists cell junctions, but not in the same order.

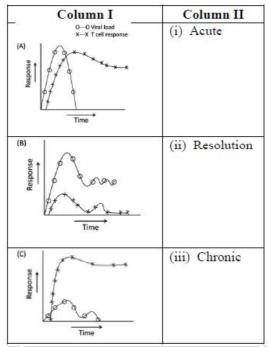
	Column A		Column B
A.	Seals gap between epithelial cells	(i)	Desmosomes
B.	Connects actin filament bundle in	(ii)	Hemidesmosomes
	one cell with that in the next cell		
C.	Connects intermediate filaments in	(iii)	Tight junction
	one cell to those in the next cell		
D.	Anchors intermediate filaments in	(iv)	Adherens junction
	a cell to extracellular matrix		

Choose the correct combination.

- (a) A-(i), B-(ii), C-(iii), D-(iv)
- (b) A-(ii), B-(iii), C-(iv), D-(i)
- (c) A-(iii), B-(iv), C-(i), D-(ii)
- (d) A-(iv), B-(i), C-(ii), D-(iii)
- 91. G-protein coupled receptors (GPCR) consist of three protein subunits α , β and γ . In unstimulated state, α -subunit is GDP bound and GPCR is inactive. When GPCR gets activated, it acts like guanine nucleotide exchange (GEF) factor and induces α -subunit to release its bound GDP allowing GTP to bind in its place. In order to regulate G-protein activity by regulating GDP/GTP concentration, α subunit acts as
 - (a) GTPase

- (b) GDP kinase
- (c) cGMP-specific phosphodiesterase
- (d) cAMP-specific phosphodiesterase
- 92. Cellular level of tumour suppressor protein p53 is maintained by the ubiquitin ligase protein, Mdm(2) Over expression of Mdm2 was found to convert a normal cell into cancer cells by destabilizing p53 Another protein p19^{ARF} functions also converts normals cells into cancer cells. Based on the above information, which one of the following statements is correct?
 - (a) Both MDM2 and p19^{ARF} are oncogenes.
 - (b) Both MDM2 and p19^{ARF} are tumour suppressor genes.
 - (c) MDM2 is an oncogene and p19^{ARF} is tumour suppressor gene.
 - (d) p19^{ARF} is oncogenes and MDM2 is a tumour suppressor gene.
- 93. The relation between cellular immune response generated against hepatitis C virus is the cirtical determinant of the outcome of infection. Given below are the representative figure of cellular immune response in column 1 and various outcome of infection in column II.





Choose the best possible combination

(a)
$$A \rightarrow (ii)$$
, $B \rightarrow (iii)$, $C \rightarrow (i)$

(b)A
$$\rightarrow$$
 (i), B \rightarrow (iii), C \rightarrow (ii)

(c)
$$A \rightarrow (iii)$$
, $B \rightarrow (ii)$, $C \rightarrow (i)$

$$(d)A \rightarrow (i), B \rightarrow (ii), C \rightarrow (iii)$$

94. There are various subclasses of antibodies found in body fluids and body secretions. Many different functions may be attributed to these subclasses. Given below in column I is major functions of different subclasses and column II consists of the name of the subclass.

	Column I	Column II		
A	Binds to macrophages by Fc	(i)	IgA	
В	Binds to mast cells and basophils	(ii)	IgD	
С	First B cell receptor	(iii)	IgE	
D	No major specific function known other	(iv)	IgG	
	than antigen binding			
Е	Protector of mucous membrane	(v)	IgM	

Select the correct combination:

(a)
$$A - (i)$$
, $B - (ii)$, $C - (iii)$, $D - (iv)$, $E - (v)$ (b)

$$A - (ii), B - (iii), C - (iv), D - (v), E - (i)$$

(c)
$$A - (iii)$$
, $B - (iv)$, $C - (v)$, $D - (i)$, $E - (ii)$ (d)

(d)
$$A - (iv), B - (iii), C - (v), D - (ii), E - (i)$$

- 95. Instructive and permissive interactions are two major modes of inductive interaction during development. The following compares some properties of cell lines and cord blood stem cells. Cell lines which are stored in liquid nitrogen, can be retrieved for experiments, where they behave as per their original self. Cord blood can also be retrieved from liquid nitrogen for procuring stem cells. Unlike cell lines, the stem cells can be additionally induced to undergo differentiation into desired lineage, which are very different from their original self. The behaviour of cell lines and stem cells is analogous to which of the interactions?
 - (a) Both cell lines and stem cells show instructive interaction
 - (b) Cell lines show instructive interaction whereas stem cells show permissive interaction
 - (c) Cell lines show permissive interaction whereas stem cells show instructive interaction
 - (d) Both types of cells show permissive instruction



- 96. Following are certain statements regarding morphogen gradients and cell specification. A. Morphogens are always transcription factors. B. Morphogens can be paracrine factors that are produced in one group of cells and travel to another population of cells C. When the concentration of a morphogen drops below a certain threshold cells stop differentiating and never get determined to another fate. D. Morphogen gradients are involved in conditional specification. Which combination of the above statements is true? (a) A and B (b) B and D (c) C and D (d) A and C **97.** Successful fertilization in sea urchin demands specific interaction between proteins and receptors of sperms and eggs. In view of the above, which one of the following combinations is correct?
 - (a) Bindin in acrosomes and bindin receptors on egg vitelline membrane
 - (b) Bindin in egg membrane and bindin receptors in acrosomes
 - (c) Resact on egg jelly and bindin on sperm membrane
 - (d) Proteasomes on egg membranes and complex sugars on sperm membranes
- **98.** Following statements are made in relation to the five widely recongnized stages of *Arabidopsis* embryogenesis:
 - (i) The fusion of haploid egg and sperm takes place in Globulor stage
 - (ii) Rapid cell division in two regions on either side of the future shoot apex forms Heart stage
 - (iii) the cell elongation throughout the embryo axis of the future development result in Torpedo stage
 - (iv) The embryo losses water and becomes metabolically inactive in the Zygotic stage.

Which combination of the above statements is correct?

- (a) A and B (b) B anc C (c) C and D (d) D and A
- **99.** The following are statements regarding the development and maintenance of anterior and posterior compartments in each segment of *Drosophila*:
 - A. Expression of wingless and engrailed is activated by pair-rule genes
 - B. continued expression of *wingless* and *engrailed* is maintained by interaction between the cells expressing *engrailed* and *wingless* proteins
 - C. Hedgehog is expressed wingless expressing cells and forms short range gradient
 - D. *Hedgehog* is a transcription factor
 - E. *Engrailed* is a secretory factor and binds with the patched receptor of the wingless expressing cells. Which one of the following combination of above statements is correct?
 - (a) C and E (b) C, D and E (c) D and E (d) A and B
- **100.** In *C. elegans*, an anchor cell and a few hypodermal cells take part in the formation of vulva. The experiment performed to understand the role of these cells in vulva formation and the results obtained are as follows:
 - If the anchor cell is killed by laser beam, hypodermal cells do not participate in vulva formation and no vulva develops.
 - If six hypodermal cells closely located with anchor cell (called vulval precursor cells) are killed, no vulva develops
 - If the three central vulval precursor are destroyed, the three outer cells, which normally form hypodermis, take the fate of vulval cells instead.



Following are certain statements regarding vulva formation:

	A. Anchor cells acts as an inducer
	B. Six hypodermal cells with the potential to form vulva form an equivalence group.
	C. Three, out of six, hypodermal cells participate in vulva formation
	D. The central cell functions as the 10 cell and the two cells on both side act as the 20 cells
	E. The 10 cell secretes a short range juxtacrine signal
	Which combinations of the above statements have been derived from the above experimental results?
	(a) A, B and C (b) A, B and D (c) D and E (d) B, D and E
101.	Following are certain statements regarding terpene class of secondary metabolites in plants:
	A. Isopentenyl diphosphate and its isomer combine to form larger terpenes.
	B. Diterpenes are 20 carbon compounds.
	C. All terpenes are derived from the union of 4-carbon elements.
	D. Pyrethroids are monoterpene esters.
	Which one of the following combination of above statements is correct?
	(a) A, B and C (b) A, B and D (c) B, C and D (d) A, C and D
102.	The nodulation (nod) genes are classified as common nod genes or host specific nod genes. Some
	statements related to such classification are given below:
	A. $nodA$ is a common nod gene and $nodC$ is a host specific gene.
	B. $nodB$ is a common nod gene and $nodP$ is a host specific gene.
	C. $nodQ$ is a common nod gene and $nodA$ is a host specific gene.
	D. $nodH$ is a common nod gene and $nodQ$ is a host specific gene.
	Choose the correct answer from the above statements:
	(a) A and B (b) C and D (c) A only (d) B only
103.	Following are certain statements regarding CO ₂ assimilation in higher plants:
	A. The action of aldolase enzyme during Calvin-Benson cycle produces fructose 1,6-bisphosphate.
	B. The conversion of glycine to serine takes place in mitochondria during C ₂ oxidative photosynthetic carbon cycle.
	C. During C ₄ carbon cycle, NAD-malic enzyme releases the CO ₂ from the 4-carbon acid, malate yielding
	a 3-carbon acid, pyruvate.
	D. Malic acid during crassulacean acid metabolism (CAM) is stored in mitochondria during dark and
	released back to cytosol during day.
	Which one of the following combinations of above statements is correct?
	(a) A, B and C (b) A, C and D (c) B, C and D (d) A, B and D
104.	Many factors related to the role of abscisic acid (ABA) in contributing to drought, cold and salt resis-
	tance in plants are listed below:
	A. The transcription factors DREB1 and DREB2 bind to the <i>cis</i> -acting elements of the promoter of
	ABA-responsive genes in an ABA-dependent manner.
	B. ABA induces many genes such as <i>LEA</i> and <i>RD29</i> .
	C. ABA-responsive genes contain six- nucleotide ABRE elements in the promoter.D. Nine-nucleotide dehydration-responsive elements (DRE) are present in ABA- responsive genes.
	Which one of the following combinations of the above statements is correct with respect to ABA?
	(a) A, B and C (b) A, C and D (c) B, C, and D (d) A only
	(a) A , D and C (b) A , C and D (c) D , C , and D (d) A only



105.	Examples of many factors that regulate plant height in response to gibberellic acid (GA) are listed below:
	A. Binding of a GA-bound repressor to the promoter of the DELLA domain- containing GRAS protein
	gene and blocking its expression.
	B. Binding of the GA-receptor complex to GRAS.
	C. Directing GRAS for ubiquitination and degradation by the 26S proteasome.
	D. Micro RNA directed down regulation of the GRAS protein expression.
	Which one of the following combinations is correct?
	(a) A and B (b) B and C (c) C and D (d) A and D
106.	Ethylene is an important plant hormone that regulates several aspects of plant growth and develop-
	ment. Some statements are given below in relation to ethylene signalling pathways:
	A. Unbound ethylene receptors work as positive regulators of the response pathway.
	B. There are more than two ethylene receptors known to date.
	C. The carboxy-terminal half of the ethylene receptor, ETR1 (Ethylene-response 1), contains a domain
	homologous to histidine kinase catalytic domain.
	D. EIN2 (Ethylene-insensitive 2) encodes a transmembrane protein. The ein2 mutation promotes
	ethylene responses in both seedlings and adult <i>Arabidopsis</i> plants.
	Which combination of the above statements is correct?
	(a) A and B (b) B and C (c) C and D (d) D and A
107.	After hemorrhage, a subject develops hypo-volemia and hypotension. Following are some of the
	statements regarding homeostatic measure taken by the body after hemorrhage.
	A. Increased release of vasopressin
	B. Increased water retention and reduced plasma osmolality
	C. Increased rate of afferent discharge from low-pressure receptors of vascular system
	D. Decreased rate of afferent discharge from high pressure receptors of vascular system
	Which one of the following is NOT correct in this condition?
	(a) Only A (b) A and B (c) Only C (d) B and D
108.	A visitor to a region of hot climate is more distressed by the heat than the regular resident. Within a few
2000	weeks, the visitor is more comfortable with the heat and capacity for work is increased. Following are
	some of the explanations given by a researcher regarding acclimatization to heat
	A. Sweating begins at a lower body temperature
	B. Blood flow through skin is high for any body temperature
	C. There is rise in resting body temperature
	D. Vasoconstriction starts at a lower body temperature
	Which one of the following is NOT true?
	(a) Only A (b) A and B (c) Only C (d) C and D
109.	The difference in circulation between glo-merular capillaries (GC) and true capillaries (TC) are de-
10).	scribed by a researcher in the following statements:
	A. The hydrostatic pressure in GC is higher than that in TC
	B. The endothelial cells are fenestrated in GC but not in TC
	C. Both filtration and fluid movement into capillary takes place in TC but only filtration occurs in GC.
	D. The plasma colloid osmotic pressures in both the ends of GC or TC are similar.
	Which one of the following is NOT correct?
	(a) Only A (b) A and B (c) B and C (d) Only D



- **110.** When rods of retina kept in dark, were exposed to light, phototransduction occurred. Following are some explanations given by a researcher regarding phototransduction:
 - A. Activation of transducin

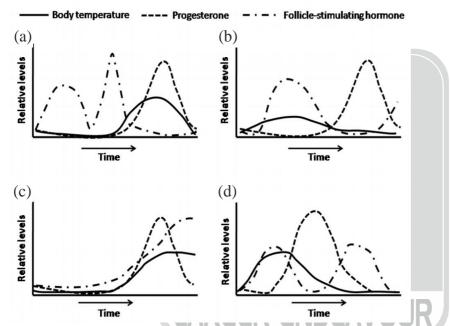
B.Inhibition of cGMP phosphodiesterase

C. Closure of Na⁺ channels

D. Hyperpolarization of rods

Which one did NOT occur in photo- transduction

- (a) only A
- (b) only B
- (c) A and C
- (d) C and D
- 111. The afferent nerve fibres of a stretch reflex were electrically stimulated and the contraction of the muscle innervated by efferent fibres was recorded. The synaptic delay was calculated from the time points of the nerve stimulation and response of the muscle. Which one of the following time durations will be probable value for the observed synaptic delay?
 - (a) 0.05 msec
- (b) 0.5 msec
- (c) 0.5 sec
- (d) 5.0 msec
- 112. A convenient and reasonably reliable indicator of the time of ovulation is usually a rise in the basal body temperature, possibly because progesterone is thermogenic. Of the four situations given below, which one is ideal for ensuring pregnancy after intercourse?

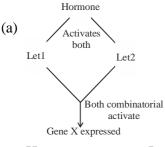


113. In an organism, expression of gene 'X' is induced in the presence of a hormone. Genetic analysis showed that the hormonal signal is transduced through two proteins Let1 and Let(b) The expression of gene 'X' was studied in lines over-expressing (OE) the active Let proteins, knock out (KO) of the Let proteins or combination of both. Results of expression of gene 'X' in presence of the hormone is summarized below:

Lines Exp	pression of Gene 'X'
WT	++
Letl OE	++++
Let2 OE	++++
Letl KO	
Let2 KO	_
Letl OE Let2 KC) —
Letl KO Let2 OF	++++

Based on the above, which one of the following pathways best fits the observation made?



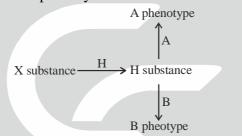


- (b) Hormone $\xrightarrow{\text{activates}}$ Let $1 \xrightarrow{\text{activates}}$ Let $2 \xrightarrow{\text{activates}}$ gene 'X'
- (c) Hormone $\xrightarrow{\text{activates}}$ Let $2 \xrightarrow{\text{activates}}$ Let $1 \xrightarrow{\text{activates}}$ gene 'X'
- (d) Hormone $\xrightarrow{\text{activates}}$ Let $1 \xrightarrow{\text{activates}}$ Let $2 \xrightarrow{\text{Let 2 is a repressor of gene 'X'}}$ gene 'X'
- **114.** Two siblings who inherit 50% of the genome from the mother and 50% from the father show lot of phenotypic differences. Which one of the following events during gametogenesis of the parents will maximally contribute to this difference?
 - (a) Mutation

(b) Recombination

(c) Independent assortment

- (d) Environment
- **115.** Consider the following hypothetical pathway:



H allele converts X substance to H substance

h allele cannot convert X to H substance and leads to phenotype 'O'

A allele converts H substance leading to A phenotype

a allele cannot convert H substance

B allele converts H substance leading to B phenotype

b allele cannot convert H substance

An individual with A phenotype when crossed with that of B phenotype has a progeny with O phenotype. Which one of the following crosses can lead to the above observation?

(a)
$$Aahh \times BbHH$$

(b)
$$AaHh \times BBHh$$

(c)
$$AaHh \times BBHH$$

(d)
$$AAHH \times BbHh$$

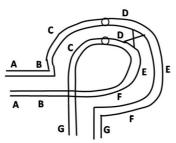
116. Three somatic hybrid cell lines, designated as X, Y and Z, have been scored for the presence or absence of chromosomes 1 through 8, as well as for their ability to produce the hypothetical gene product A, B, C and D as shown in the following table:

Hybrid cell lines	Human chromosomes present							Gene products expressed				
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	Α	В	С	D
X	+	+	+	+					-	+	-	+
Υ	+	+			+	+			+	-	-	+
Z	+		+		+		+		+	+	_	+

Which of the following option has most appropriately assigned chromosomes for each of the given genes?



- (a) Gene A on chromosome 5, Gene B on chromosome 3, Gene C on chromosome 8 and Gene D on chromosome 1
- (b) Gene A on chromosome 5 and Gene B on chromosome 3 only
- (c) Gene D on chromosome 8, Gene C on chromosome 1, Gene B on chromosome 5 and Gene A on chromosome 4
- (d) Gene A on chromosome 5, Gene B on chromosome 3 and Gene D on chromosome 1
- **117.** The following diagram shows meiotic pairing in an inversion heterozygote and a point where single crossing over has occurred



The resulting gametes produced may have

- A. the chromosome having normal gene sequence
- B. the chromosome having inverted gene sequence
- C. a dicentric chromosome with duplication and deletion
- D. an acentric chromosome having duplication and deletion
- E. the chromosome having duplication and deletion

Which of the following combination will be most appropriate for the diagram shown:

- (a) A, B, C and D (b)
- A, B and E
- (c) B, C, D and E
- (d) A, C, D and E
- 118. Of the following, which one of the individuals will NOT necessarily carry the allele responsible for the mentioned trait? (NET_Dec_2015)
 - (a) A woman in a family where an autosomal dominant trait is segregating and her mother and son are affected.
 - (b) A daughter of a man who is affected by an X-linked dominant trait
 - (c) A father of a child who is affected with an autosomal recessive trait
 - (d) A father of a boy affected with X-linked recessive trait
- 119. Which of the following is the correct match of the algal group with its food reserve?

	Algal Group	Car bohydrate Reserve		
A.	Bacillariophyceae	(i)	Oil	
B.	Xanthophyceae	(ii)	Floridean starch	
C.	Phaeophyceae	(iii)	Laminarin	
D.	Rhodophyceae	(iv)	Chrysolaminarin	
		(v)	Starch	

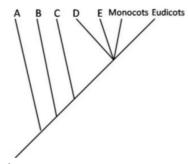
- (a) A-(iv), B-(i), C-(iii), D-(ii)
- (b) A-(ii), B-(i), C-(iii), D-(iv)
- (c) A-(iv), B-(i), C-(ii), D-(v)
- (d) A-(i), B-(v), C-(iii), D-(ii)
- **120.** A researcher conducts a standard test to identify enteric bacteria (A, B, C) on the basis of their biochemical propertie. The result is given in the following tables

	Bacteria			
Test	A	В	С	
Indole	+	_	1-	
Methyl Red	+	+	+/-	
Voges-Proskauer	_	_	+	

Based on the above, the identified bacteria A, B and C are most probably



- (a) Enterobacter, Salmonella, Escherichia.
- (b) Escherichia, Salmonella, Enterobacter.
- (c) Salmonella, Enterobacter, Escherichia.
- (d) Escherichia, Enterobacter, Salmonella.
- **121.** Following is a cladogram of the major taxonomic groups of the angiosperms:

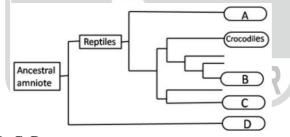


Groups A-E represent respectively:

- (a) Astrobaileyales, Nymphaedales, Amborellales, Chloranthaceae, Magnoliids
- (b) Amborellales, Astrobaileyales, Nymphaedales, Magnoliids, Chloranthaceae
- (c) Amborellales, Nymphaedales, Astrobaileyales, Chloranthaceae, Magnoliids
- (d) Amborellales, Nymphaedales, Chloranthaceae, Magnoliids, Astrobaileyales
- 122. The following are some important features which are commonly associated with animal development:
 - A. Position of anus development with respect to blastopore
 - B. Method of cell division
 - C. Mechanism of coelom formation
 - D. Cleavage pattern during egg development

Based on the above, which one of the following combinations differentiate the development of deuterostomes from that of protostomes?

- (a) A, B and C
- (b) B, C and D
- (c) A, C and D
- (d) A and B
- 123. The phylogenetic tree of amniote vertebrates is given in the following diagram



The groups labelled A, B, C, D are

- (a) A-Snakes, B-Turtles, C-Birds, D-Mammals(b) A-Snakes, B-Turtles, C-Mammals, D-Birds
- (c) A-Turtles, B-Birds, C-Snakes, D-Mammals(d) A-Birds, B-Turtles, C-Snakes, D-Mammals
- **124.** The following are matches made between adult animals and their larval forms:
 - A. Copepods Nauplius

B. Sea cucumber - Zoea

C. Sea urchin - Echinopleuteus

D. Crabs - Auricularia

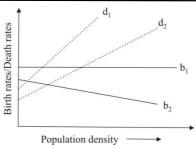
E. Star fish - Bipinnaria

F. Brittle star - Ophiopleuteus

Which one of the combinations below reflects **INCORRECT** matches?

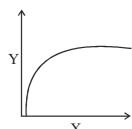
- (a) A, C, E
- (b) B and D
- (c) B only
- (d) F only
- **125.** Which of the following statements about the birth rates (b1, b2) and death rates (d1, d2) of species 1 and 2 indicated in the figure is NOT true?





- (a) Birth rates of species 1 are density independent.
- (b) Death rates of both species are density dependent.
- (c) Birth rates of species 2 are density dependent.
- (d) Density dependent effects on death rates are similar for both the species.
- **126.** Important chemical reactions involved in nutrient cycling in ecosystems are given below:
 - (a) NO2- \rightarrow NO3-(b) N2 \rightarrow NH3
- (c) $NH4+\rightarrow NO2-$
- (d) $NO3-\rightarrow N2$
- 127. A population is growing logistically with a growth rate (r) of 0.15/week, in an environment with a carrying capacity of 400. What is the maximum growth rate (No) of individuals/week) that this population can achieve?
 - (1) 15
- (b)

- 2.25
- **128.** In a field experiment, autotrophs are provided a 14C-labelled carbon compound for photosynthesis. Radioactivity (14C) levels were then monitored at regular intervals in all the trophic levels. In which ecosystem is the radioactivity likely to be detected fastest at the primary carnivore level?
 - (a) open ocean
- (b) Desert
- Deciduous forest (d) Grassland (c)
- 129. Which Of the following X-Y relationships does NOT follow the pattern shown in the graph?



- (a) Number Of prey killed (Y) in relation to prey density (X)
- (b) Photosynthetic rate (Y) in relation to light intensity (X)
- (c) Species richness (Y) in relation to area (X)
- (d) Tree species richness (Y) in relation to actual evapotranspiration
- **130.** Following table shows the number of individuals of five tree species in a community;

Tree SpeciesNo. of Individuals

A 50 В 20 C 20 D 05 E 05

Based on the above, the Simpsons diversity (DS) index of the community will be

- (1) 0.55(b)
- (2) 0.335.
- (c) 0.435.
- (d) 0.345.



131. Following table shows the presence (+) or absence (-) of five species in three communities (A, B, C):

Species Community

	A	В	C
1	+	+	+
2	+	+	-
3	-	-	+
4	+	-	-
5	_	_	+

Based on the above, which of the following is the correct order of similarity between two pairs of communities?

- (1) A and B > B and C > A and C
- A and B > A and C > B and C(2)
- (c) B and C > A and B > A and C
- (d) A and C > A and B > B and C
- 132. In several populations, each of size N = 20, if genetic drift results in a change in the relative frequencies of alleles.
 - A. What is the rate of increase per generation in the proportion of populations in which the allele is lost or fixed?
 - B. What is the rate of decrease per generation in each allele frequency class between 0 and 1?

The correct answer for A and B is:

(a) A - 0.25, B - 0.125

(b)A - 0.025, B - 0.0125

(c) A - 0.0125, B - 0.025

- (d)A 0.125, B 0.25
- Individual A can derive 'fitness' benefit of 160 units by helping Individual B, but incurs a 'fitness' cost 133. of 50 units in doing so. Following Hamilton's Rule, A should help B ONLY if B is his
 - (a) brother or sister.(b) first cousin only.
- (c) cousin or uncle.
- (d) nephew or niece.

- The "Red Queen Hypothesis" is related to **134.**
 - (a) the mating order in the harem of a polygamous male.
 - (b) the elimination by deleterious mutations by sexual reproduction.
 - (c) mate selection process by a female in a lek.
 - (d) the evolutionary arms race between the host and the parasite.
- In a population of effective population size Ne, with rate of neutral mutation 1/40 1/40, the frequency of 135. heterozygotes per nucleotide site at equilibrium between mutation and genetic drift is calculated as

(a)
$$\frac{2N_e\mu_0}{2N_{11}+1}$$

(b)
$$\frac{4N_e\mu_0}{4N_e\mu_0+1}$$

$$(c) \quad \frac{N_e \mu_0}{4N_e \mu_0 + 1}$$

(a)
$$\frac{2N_e\mu_0}{2N_e\mu_0+1}$$
 (b) $\frac{4N_e\mu_0}{4N_e\mu_0+1}$ (c) $\frac{N_e\mu_0}{4N_e\mu_0+1}$ (d) $\frac{4N_e\mu_0}{(4N_e\mu_0-1)}$

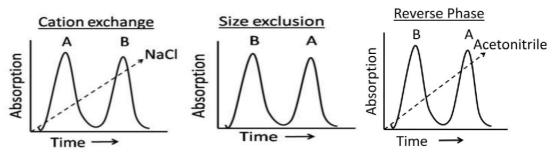
- 136. As cancer progresses, several genome rearrangements including translocation, deletion, duplications etc. occur. If these rearrangements are to be identified, which of the following techniques would be most suitable?
 - (a) RAPD
- (b) Microarray
- (c) Multi-colour FISH (d)Flow cytometry
- 137. A student noted the following points regarding Agrobacterium tumefaciens:
 - A. A. tumefaciens is a gram-negative soil bacterium.
 - B. Opine catabolism genes are present in T-DNA region of Ti-plasmid.
 - C. Opines are synthesized by condensation of amino acids and α -ketoacids or amino acids and sugars.
 - D. A callus culture of crown gall tissue casued by A. tumefaciens in plants can be multiplied without adding phytohormones.

Which one of the combinations of above statements is correct?

- (a) A, B and C
- (b) A, B and D
- B, C and D (c)
- (d) A, C and D

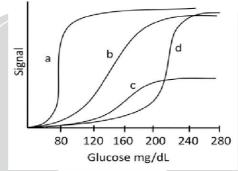


A mixture of two proteins was subjected to following three chromatographic columns: a) Cation exchange, b) Size exclusion (Sephadex 100) and (c) Reverse phase. Following elution profiles were obtained



Which of the following statements is correct?

- (a) A is larger and more hydrophobic than B. (b) B is more anionic and more hydrophobic than A.
- (c) A is more hydrophobic and smaller than B.(d) A is more cationic and smaller than B.
- **139.** Glucose in the blood is detected by four different methods (a, b, c and d). The sensitivity and range of detection of glucose by these four methods is shown below. Clinically relevant concentration of glucose in blood is between 80 250 mg/dL



Which of the following method is most appropriate?

- (a) a
- (b) b

- (c) c
- (d) d
- **140.** The following statements are related to plant tissue culture
 - A. Friable callus provides the inoculum to form cell-suspension cultures.
 - B. The process known as 'habituation' refers to the property of callus losing the requirement of auxin and/or cytokinin during long term culture.
 - C. Cellulase and pectinase enzymes are usually used for generating protoplast cultures.
 - D. During somatic embryo development, torpedo stage embryo is formed before heart stage embryo. Which one of the following combinations of above statements is correct?
 - (a) A, B and C
- (b) A, B and D
- (c) A, C and D
- (d) B, C and D

- **141.** Which one of the following statements is correct?
 - (a) Electrospray ionization mass spectrum of a compound can be obtained only if it has a net positive charge at pH 7.4
 - (b) Helical content of a tryptophan containing peptide can be obtained by examini the flourescence spectrum of tryptophan
 - (c) The occurrence of beta sheet in a protein can be inferred form its circular dichroism spectrum
 - (d) The chemical shift spread for a compound is more in its ${}^{1}H_{13}$ NMR spectrum as compared to its ${}^{13}CMR$ spectrum



- 142. A researcher is studying the subcellular localization of a particular protein 'X' in an animal cell. The researcher performs successive centrifugation at increasing rotor speed. The researcher starts spinning the cellular homogenate at 600g for 10 min, collects the pellet, spins the supernatant at 10,000 g for 20 min, collects the pellet, spins the supernatant at 100,000g for 1 hour, collects both the pellet and the final supernatant. On subjecting various pellets and the final supernatant to Western blotting with anti-protein-X antibody, the protein X is observed to be maximally expressed in pellet after centrifugation at 10,000 g. Based on the above observation, what will be the most likely localization of protein X.
 - (a) Nucleus
- (b) Ribosomes
- (c) Mitochondria
- (d) Microsomes
- 143. Fluorescence recovery after photobleaching in live cells is used to determine
 - (a) co-localization of proteins

(b) distance between two organelles

(c) diffusion of proteins

(d) nucleic acid compactness

- **144.** You have transiently expressed a new protein (for which no antibody is available) in a cell line to establish structure function relationship. Which one of the following strategies is the most straight forward way to examine the expression profile of this new protein?
 - (a) By metabolic labelling using 35S labelled amino acids
 - (b) Making a GFP fusion protein with this new protein
 - (c) Immunoprecipitating this protein with the help of another protein for which antibody is available
 - (d) Running SDS-PAGE and identify the protein
- **145.** During an experiment, a student found increased activity of a protein, for which there were three possible explanations, *viz.*, increased expression of the protein, increased phosphorylation, or increased interaction with other effector proteins. After conducting several experiments, the student concluded that increased activity was due to increased phosphorylation. Which one of the following experiments will NOT support/provide the correct explanation drawn by the student?

(a) Western blot analysis

(b) Analysis of transcription rate

(c) Mass spectroscopy

(d)Phospho amino acid analysis

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