

MOLECULAR BIO ARCHIVE MIDTERM

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- 1. Regarding genetics and medicine, one of the following statements is not correct:
- a. Genetically determined diseases are a marginal group.
- b. More than 3000 defined human genetic diseases are known.
- c. Genetic testing may be undergone prior to marriage, during pregnancy or after birth to detect diseases.
- d. None of the above is incorrect.

.ANSWER: A

- 2. In a virus we had: U:26%, G:24% and C: 24%, one the following is correct:
- a. We can't determine the rest.
- **b.** A: 26%
- c. A: 24%
- d. A: 50%

ANSWER: E

- 3. The genome in human beings resembles:
- a. DNA and all types of RNA.
- b. DNA in nucleus and mitochondria.
- c. DNA, ribosomes, cells.. etc
- d. none of the above

ANSWER: B

- 4. The following structure resembles:
- a. Guanine nucleotide
- b. Guanosine nucleotide
- c. A nucleotide in DNA
- d. A nucleotide in RNA
- e. A nucleoside in DNA and RNA

ANSWER: C

- 5. Guanosine -5'- monophosphate is:
- a. A nucleotide in DNA
- b. A nucleotide in RNA
- c. A nucleoside in DNA
- d. A nucleoside in RNA
- e. A nucleotide in both DNA and RNA

ANSWER: E

- 6. The hydrogen bonds formed between the nitrogenous bases in DNA include all of the following
- except:
- a. Adenine #6 with thymine #3
- b. Adenine #3 with thymine #3
- c. Guanine #6 with cytosine #4
- d. Guanine #3 with cytosine #3
- e. Guanine #2 with cytosine #2

ANSWER: E

- 7. Regarding Leucine Zipper Motif, one of the following is incorrect:
- a. Composed of 30 to 40 amino acid residues.
- b. We find a leucine every seven amino acids.
- c. It contains a nucleotide recognition signal
- d. Each one contacts about 5 bps of DNA
- e. None is incorrect.

ANSWER:C

- 8. Consider having 50 bps of A-DNA, B- DNA and Z-DNA, one of the following is correct:
- a. Z-DNA is the longest.
- b. B- DNA is the longest.
- c. A- DNA is the longest.
- d. none of the above is correct.

.ANSWER: A

- 9. Regarding Motifs, one of the following is incorrect:
- a. Zinc Finger Motif has four cysteines
- b. Zinc Finger Motif has two cysteines and two lysines
- c. Helix-Turn-Helix Motif is composed of three antiparallel Beta sheets and three alpha helices.
- d. Helix-Loop-Helix Motif can dimerize
- e. None of the above in incorrect.

ANSWER: B

10. Regarding mitochondrial DNA, one of the following is incorrect:

- a. We kill the mother nucleus to avoid spreading related diseases.
- b. It contains 37 genes.
- c. Mutations in mtDNA may increase the production of ROS.
- d. We use an egg donor and we transfer the mother nucleus to it.
- e. None of the above is incorrect

ANSWER: A

11. One of the following is correct regarding purines and pyrimidines binding:

- a. we always bind a purine to a pyrimidine, since binding two purines give too wide structure and binding two pyrimidines give too narrow structure.
- b. Purines and pyrimidines can only bind to each other in DNA and not in RNA.
- C. The binding of two purines or two pyrimidines can result in a stable and functional nucleic acid structure.
- D. The binding of purines and pyrimidines is solely determined by the availability of complementary base pairs.
- E. None of the above is correct

12. Which of the following hydrogen bond formations between nitrogenous bases in DNA is incorrect?

- a. Adenine #1 with thymine #4
- b. Adenine #2 with thymine #2
- c. Guanine #3 with cytosine #6
- d. Guanine #4 with cytosine #3
- e. Guanine #5 with cytosine #2

s to avoid spreading related diseases.

ANSWER: C

13. If there is 23% adenine in a strand of DNA, the amount of guanine in it will be:

- A) 23%
- B) 27%
- **C)** 46%
- D) 54%

ANSWER: B

14. The ribose in DNA is:

- A) 2- deoxy- beta- D- ribose
- B) 2- deoxy- alpha- D- ribose
- C) 2- deoxy- beta- L- ribose
- D) 2- deoxy- alpha- L- ribose

- 1. The human sequence telomere is:
- A) TTAGGG
- **B) TTTAGG**
- c) TTTTAG
- D) TAGGGG
- E) None of the above

ANSWER: A

- 2. One of the following histones is associated with clamping the whole nucleosome:
- A) H1
- **B) H2A**
- **C) H2B**
- **D)** H3
- E) H4

ANSWER: A

- 3. The following provides terminal stability to the chromosomes and ensures its survival:
- A) Telomeres
- **B)** Telomerase
- C) Helicase
- D) Ligase

ANSWER: A

4. Monosomy means:

- A) A loss of one chromosome
- B) A gain of one chromosome
- c) A gain of a whole chromosomal set
- D) A loss of one chromosome pair

- 5. The following karyotype 47, XX, +21 best suits:
- A) A female with trisomy having an extra copy on chromosome #21, Down Syndrome
- B) A female with trisomy having an extra copy on chromosome #21, Turner Syndrome
- C) A Male with trisomy having an extra copy on chromosome #21, Down Syndrome
- D) A female with monosomy having an extra copy on chromosome #21, Down Syndrome

ANSWER: C

6. A syndrome mostly characterized with mental deficiency, cleft palate, cardiac anomalies. Best suits:

- A) Patau
- B) Down
- C) Edwards
- D) Klinefelter
- E) Turner

ANSWER: A

- 8. Chromosomal karyotyping is done in:
- A) Anaphase
- B) Prophase
- C) Metaphase
- D) Telophase

ANSWER: C

- 1. One of the following is incorrect regarding DNA ligase reaction:
- A) DNA ligase reaction does not require ATP.
- B) DNA ligase catalyzes the formation of phosphodiester bonds.
- C) DNA ligase is essential for DNA replication and repair.
- D) DNA ligase joins the Okazaki fragments during lagging strand synthesis.
- E) DNA ligase is an enzyme that seals nicks in the DNA backbone.

.ANSWER: A

- 2. One of the following resembles a major difference between prokaryotic and eukaryotic DNA replication:
- A) DNA replication in eukaryotes is dispersive
- B) DNA replication in prokaryotes is conservative
- C) The origin of DNA replication in prokaryotes is single
- D) None of the above
- E) All of the above

(ANSWER: C

- 3. Sliding clamp is responsible for:
- A) prevents DNA pol III from dissociating from the template DNA strand
- B) unwinding the DNA double helix during replication
- C) synthesizing RNA primers for DNA replication
- D) repairing DNA damage
- E) proofreading the newly synthesized DNA strand for errors

(ANSWER: A

- 4. DNA polymerase III activity requires energy; this energy is derived from:
- A) ATP
- B) CTP
- C) GTP
- D) The added successive nucleotides

5. An enzyme responsible for the removal of the RNA primer from the lagging strand is:

- A) DNA pol I
- B) Rnase H
- C) DNA pol III
- D) SSBP
- E) DNA ligase

ANSWER: B

6. Which of the following statements about DNA replication is incorrect?

- A) The leading strand is synthesized in the 5' to 3' direction.
- B) The lagging strand is synthesized in the 3' to 5' direction.
- C) The leading strand is synthesized continuously.
- D) The lagging strand is synthesized discontinuously in the form of Okazaki fragments.

ANSWER: B

7. Which of the following statements about the sliding clamp in DNA replication is correct?

- A) The sliding clamp is a protein that helps unwind the DNA double helix.
- B) The sliding clamp is responsible for proofreading and repairing errors in DNA replication.
- C) The sliding clamp helps to stabilize the interaction between DNA polymerase and the template strand.
- D) Clamp- polymerase interactions are less strong and less specific than the direct interaction between polymerase- DNA structure

ANSWER: C

- 8. One of the following DNA repair mechanisms is used in large DNA samples:
- A) BER
- B) NER
- c) MMR
- D) none of the above

ANSWER: B

LECTURE 5

- 1. One of the following is the correct order of transcription initiation factors corresponding to the given sizes: 92, 27, 15, and 35:
- A) TFIID-TBP, TFIIE, TAFIIS, TFIIA
- B) TFIIE, TFIID-TBP, TAFIIS, TFIIA
- C) TFIIE, TFIID-TBP, TFIIA, TAFIIS
- D) TFIID-TBP, TAFIIS, TFIIE, TFIIA

ANSWER: B

- 2. One of the following is not a modification of tRNA:
- A) Removal of bps
- B) Addition of CCA at 5' end
- C) Formation of pseudouridine
- D) Excision of introns

ANSWER: B

- 3. If the AC was not successfully added to the 3' end of tRNA, what mutation is expected to happen:
- A) tRNA can no longer bind AA.
- B) tRNA won't bind mRNA
- C) No protein synthesis will happen
- D) No mRNA synthesis will happen

.ANSWER: C

- 4. A mutation in the following can prevent hnRNA from being converted into mRNA:
- A) Endonuclease mutation
- B) Exonuclease mutation
- C) Both endonuclease and exonuclease mutations
- D) Neither endonuclease nor exonuclease mutations

.ANSWER: D

- 5. One of the following is incorrect regarding RNA- dependent DNA polymerase:
- A) Has another name of RT
- B) It is found in all viruses
- C) It uses RNA template to synthesize DNA
- D) None of the above

(ANSWER: B

- 6. One of the following best describes alternative splicing process:
- A) The process of removing introns from pre-mRNA to produce mature mRNA.
- B) The process of joining exons together to produce mature mRNA.
- C) The process of selecting different combinations of exons from pre-mRNA to generate multiple mRNA isoforms.
- D) The process of degrading mRNA molecules after translation.

.ANSWER: C

- 7. Regarding Wobble position, one of the following is incorrect:
- A) It is two-fold degenerate site.
- B) It has to do with genetic codes redundancies
- C) Change of the 3rd site bp may incorporate a new AA
- D) The change of the 3rd site bp is imprecise

ANSWER: D

- 8. One of the following is correct regarding aminoacyl tRNA synthetase activity:
- A) It uses ATP and release pyrophosphate
- B) It is identical to all AA
- C) It differs from an AA to another, but has specificity
- D) None of the above is correct

ANSWER: C

- 9. Ribosomes play a major role in all of the following activities except:
- A) Peptide bonds formation
- B) Aminoacylation of tRNA
- C) tRNA binding to mRNA
- D) tRNA discovery of the start codon

ANSWER: D

- 10. Highest percentage of possible mutations and lowest percentage of protection can be found in:
- A) Synonymous degenerate site
- B) Twofold degenerate site
- C) Threefold degenerate site
- D) Non degenerate site

11. Consider the following events of stages in amino acids elongation on the ribosomes:

- 1. Peptide bond formation
- 2. Joining of the ribosomal subunits
- 3. P-site binding
- 4. A- site binding
- 5. E- site binding
- 6. Translocation

The correct order will be:

- •2, 4, 1, 6, 3, 5.
- •2, 3, 1, 6, 4, 5.
- •2, 3, 4, 1, 6, 5.
- •2, 3, 1, 4, 6, 5.
- **•** 2, 4, 3, 6, 1, 5.

.ANSWER: C

12. One of the following matches is correct regarding protein synthesis inhibiting drugs:

- A) Formation of the initiation complex and binding of aminoacyl- tRNA to the ribosomal A site is blocked by streptomycin and tetracycline
- B) Introduction of aminoacyl- tRNA and synthesis of a peptide bond is inhibited by puromycin and erythromycin
- C) Translocation of mRNA relative to the ribosome is prevented by fusidic acid and aminoglycosides
- D) all are correct.

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- 2. We can extract DNA from various samples except one of the following:
- A) WBCs
- B) RBCs
- C) Brain cells
- D) Buccal swab

Answer: B

- 3. Regarding Miniprep kit, one of the following is correct:
- A) It is a (50-100 microgram) kit for plasmid DNA
- B) It is a (50-100 microgram) kit for RNA
- C) It is a (50-100 microgram) kit for genomic DNA
- D) It is a (50-100 microgram) kit for protein purification

Answer: A

- 4. One of the following represents the correct order of the three basic steps in DNA extraction:
- A) Lysis, Precipitation (inactivation), Purification
- B) Purification, Precipitation, Lysis
- C) Precipitation, Lysis, Purification
- D) Lysis, Purification, Precipitation

ANSWER: A

- 5. We use EDTA in gene extraction because:
- A) EDTA has a sequestering ability to Ca+2 and Mg+2 required for nuclease activity
- B) EDTA acts as a catalyst in the DNA extraction process.
- C) EDTA helps in breaking down the DNA molecules into smaller fragments.
- D) EDTA is responsible for stabilizing the DNA samples during extraction.

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- 6. Choose the terms that fit the spaces the best: we use _____ for DNA integrity testing and we use _____ to make DNA pullets.
- A) Polymerase chain reaction and spectrophotometer.
- B) Gel electrophoresis and centrifuge.
- C) Microarray and microscope.
- D) DNA sequencing and pipette.

.ANSWER: B

- 7. Guanidinium Hydrochloride is:
- A) A chaotropic salt that is a part of binding solution
- B) A chaotropic salt that is a part of eluting solution
- C) A reducing agent that helps break disulfide bonds in protein
- D) A pH indicator used in DNA extraction procedures

Answer: A

- 8. Given an OD of 0.2, DF of 10, a final volume of 50 microliters of a dsDNA, the amount (yield) of DNA is:
- A) 5000 nanograms
- B) 5000 micrograms
- c) 5000 nanograms/ microliters
- D) 500 nanograms

Answer: A