Examination: Ph.D Microbiology

SECTION 1 - SECTION 1

Question No.1

The process of removal of plasmids from cell is called:

- o curing
- restriction
- plasmolysis
- deplasmolysis

Question No.2

Secondary metabolites are generally produced in:

- Log phase
- Lag phase
- Stationary phase
- Decline phase

Question No.3

What will you use to improve the resolution of light microscope by 1.5 times:

- Blue light along with immersion oil between the sample and the objective
- Blue light along with glycerine between the sample and the objective
- Red light along with immersion oil between the sample and the objective
- Blue light

Question No.4

Which one of the following antibody gives allergic response

- ─ IgE
- IgM
- ─ IgA
- IgG

Question No.5

The process of Gram staining is based on the ability of bacterial cell wall

To retain the crystal violet dye during solvent treatment

- To retain the Grams iodine
- To retain the Safranin dye
- To retain part of both dyes

Which of the following is not an example of a monitoring study?

- Telephone interview
- Recording license plates in a parking lot
- Documenting interactions between customers and a call centre
- Counting traffic at an intersection

Question No.7

Alleles are:

- Found only in homozygous condition
- Different forms of the same gene
- Found only in heterozygous condition
- Different forms of different genes

Question No.8

Nitrogen fixation refers to the direct conversion of atmospheric nitrogen into

Ammonia

ATP

- Glucose
- Nitrate

Question No.9

The technique of heating milk and milk products at 140-150°C for 1-3 seconds is called:

- Flash pasteurization
- High temperature short duration pasteurization
- Pasteurization
- Ultra high temperature sterilization

Question No.10

Which microorganisms will grow well at 25 °C? Mesophile Psychrophiles

Thermophiles

• Hyperthermophiles

Question No.11

In *Mucor* zygspores don't germinate immediately after their formation but undergo a resting phase. Meiosis in zygospore would occur:

Before the zygospore becomes dormant

During zygospore fusion

In the germ sporangium

During zygospore germination

Question No.12

Which of the following does not produce oxygen as a product of photosynthesis?

Fungi

- Phytoplankton
- Purple sulfur bacteria
- Oyanobacteria

Question No.13

Arbuscular mycorrhizal (AM) represents an important association between plant and fungus helps the plant to absorb from the soil:

- Sulphate
- Carbonate
- Phosphate
- Sugars

Question No.14

Teichoic acids are typically found in

- Cell wall of Gram negative bacteria
- Outer membrane of Gram positive bacteria
- Outer membrane of Gram negative bacteria
- Cell wall of Gram positive bacteria

Question No.15

What will be the final concentration of a 10M solution if it is diluted four (4)
times?

- 4 M
- ─ 2.5 M
- 2 M
- 🔵 5 M

The working principle of an Autoclave follows

- Laws of Thermodynamics
- Archimedes Principle
- O Universal Gas Laws
- Pascal's Law

Question No.17

Connecting link between glycolysis and kreb's cycle is:

- Pyruvic acid
- O ATP
- Acetyl Co-A
- Oxalosuccinic acid

Question No.18

The DNA probe 3'GGCTTA will hybridize with which of the following:

- 3'CCGAAT
- 5'GGCTTA
- 5'CCGAAT
- 5'CCGUUA

Question No.19

Which of the following conditions would activate the toxin produced by *Bacillus thuringiensis*?

Alkaline pH of the gut

- Acedic pH of the gut
- Mechanical intervention inside the insect gut
- High temperature

Which of the following is a product of transcription?

tRNA

- mRNA
- rRNA
- ssDNA

Question No.21

The non symbiotic bacteria which fix nitrogen in the soil independently

- Rhizobium
- Bacillus
- Pseudomanas
- Azotobacter

Question No.22

Select the incorrect statement out of the following:

- Niche is the physical space occupied by an organism
- An ecosystem is composed only of biotic factors
- A species is a group of individuals capable of inbreeding
- The amount of light available in the ecosystem growth of plants there

Question No.23

Which fungal species is mostly used in genetics as model organism?

- Saccharomyces cerevisiae
- Agaricus bipolaris
- Neurospora crassa
- Penicillium notatum

Question No.24

The bacterial sore throat is caused by_____

- Staphylococcus aureus
- Mycoplasma
- Haemophilus spp.
- Streptococcus pyogens

Question No.25

Which of the following compounds has the greatest amount of energy for a cell?

CO₂

ATP

Lactic acid

Glucose

Question No.26

What is the solidifying agent commonly used in culture media preparation?

- Peptone
- Agarose
- Sodium chlorine
- Agar

Question No.27

A carbonated drink having pH 3 is ______times more acidic than distilled water:

0 10000

0100

0 1000

4

Question No.28

Which mechanism is most prominent in creating genetic variability among prokaryotes?

Vertical gene transfer

Asexual reproduction

Sexual reproduction

Horizontal gene transfer

Question No.29

In gel electrophoresis, DNA molecules migrate from ______ to _____ ends of the gel.

Positive to negative

Acidic to basic

Long to short distance

Negative to positive

Question No.30

Crozier formation is observed in which of the following groups of fungi:

- Ascomycetes
- Deuteromycetes
- Phycomycetes
- Basidiomycetes

Question No.31

The concept of using microbes to clean up the environment is called _____

- Pasteurization
- Bioremediation
- Biolistics
- Fermentation

Question No.32

The mitotic metaphase differ from anaphase in having:

- Half number of chromosomes and half number of chromatids
- Same number of chromosomes and same number of chromatids
- Half number of chromosomes and same number of chromatids
- Same number of chromosomes and half number of chromatids

Question No.33

Causal organism of kala azar disease is

- Leishmania denovani
- Corynebacterium diptheriae
- Mycobacterium leprae
- Clostridium botulinum

Question No.34

Gram staining was introduced by

- Robert Hook
- Alfred Gram
- Louis Pasteur
- Christian Gram

Question No.35

The spherical shape of bacteria is

Spirilla

Cocci

Pleomorphic

Bacilli

Question No.36

The N-acetyl glucosamine and N-acetyl muramic acid of peptidoglycan are covalently linkied by

 \odot α - 1,4-glycosidic bond

 \bigcirc β - 1,6-glycosidic bond

 \bigcirc β - 1,4-glycosidic bond

 \odot α - 1,6-glycosidic bond

Question No.37

The cocci arranged in pairs are,

- Diplococci
- Monococci
- Streptococci
- Tetrcocci

Question No.38

The central tendency is measured by:

- Only median
- Only mean
- Only mode and mean
- Mean, mode and median together

Question No.39

Generation time of Escherichia coli is _____

- 20 hours
- 2 minutes
- 20 days
- 20 minutes

Question No.40

Which of the following is not a gram positive bacterium? Streptococci Pseudomonas

Bacillus

Staphylococci

Question No.41

What is the color of Gram negative bacteria on Gram staining?

- Green
- Ourple
- Pink
- Violet

Question No.42

The enzyme, which hydrolyses the murein is_____

- Protease
- Tannase
- Lysozyme
- Peroxidase

Question No.43

Intragenic non-mendelian inheritance will include:

- Epistatis, multiple alleles, dominance
- Polygene, pleotropism, codominance
- O Codominance, multiple allele, incomplete dominance
- O Polygene, codominance, multiple alleles

Question No.44

The slow ripening transgenic tomato is developed by using which one of the following techniques:

- Antisense RNA technology
- Transgene silencing technique
- Ribozyme technology
- Genetic engineering

Question No.45

The glyoxylate cycle is used by some microorganisms when the sole carbon is Nitrate

Glucose

Acetate

Carbon dioxide

Question No.46

The term facultative anaerobe refers to an organism that _____

- Requires less oxygen than it is present in air
- Uses oxygen when present or grows without oxygen when absent
- Killed by oxygen
- Does not use oxygen but tolerates it

Question No.47

The collapse of a cell due to water loss is called:

- Plasmolysis
- Osmoregulation
- Hydrolysis
- Halophiles

Question No.48

The structure responsible for bacterial motility is

- Flagella
- Capsule
- Sheath
- 🔵 Pili

Question No.49

Hexose monophosphate pathway is also known as,

- Malate pathway
- Phosphogluconate pathway
- Fumerate pathway
- Oxaloacetate pathway

Question No.50

The specificity of an antibody is due to:

The variable portion of the heavy and light chain

The heavy chains

- The Fc portion of the molecule
- The light chains

Question No.51

Transfer of gene from one bacterium to another with the help of a phage is called:

- Induction
- Transduction
- Conjugation
- Transformation

Question No.52

For synthesis of DNA, enzyme required is

- Proteinase
- Ligase
- DNA polymerase
- RNA polymerase

Question No.53

Which of the following microorganism is classified as a member of archaebacteria?

- Mycoplasma
- Oyanobacteria
- Methanobacteria
- Trichomonads

Question No.54

Who proposed the three domain system of classification?

- R.H. Whittakar
- Carl Woese
- Bentham & Hooker
- Carl Linnaeus

Question No.55

Which of the following process does not generate ATP?

The Calvin-Benson cycle

Oxidative phosphorylation

Phosphorylation

Substrate level phosphorylation

Question No.56

Mycoplasmas do not have:

- Cell membranes
- Cell walls
- Ribosomes
- RNA

Question No.57

Rate of storage of organic matter by heterotrophs is called as:

- Net primary productivity
- Net productivity
- Secondary productivity
- Gross primary productivity

Question No.58

Which of the following act as the blueprint or template for the process of protein synthesis?

tRNA

DNA

- rRNA
- mRNA

Question No.59

Which of the following structure is present in prokaryotic cells?

- Chloroplasts
- Mitochondria
- Golgi structure
- Mesosome

Question No.60

Proteins produced by bacteria to inhibit the growth of other strains of the same organism are called:

Antibiotics

Vaccines

Bacteriocins

B factors

Question No.61

Peptidoglycan is also known as

- N-acetyl glucosamine
- Murein

Diaminopimelic acid

N-acetyl muramic acid

Question No.62

In aerobic respiration, the terminal electron acceptor is

- Hydrogen
- Oxygen
- Nitrate
- Nitrogen

Question No.63

Viruses require ______ for their multiplication

Animals

Plants

Living cells

Bacteria

Question No.64

The non-viable mutations are called:

- Non-sense mutation
- Frameshift mutation
- Lethal mutation
- Missense mutation

Question No.65

Humoral theory of immunity was given by:

Richet

Ehrlich

Burnet

Jerne

Question No.66

Which of the following is concerned with the management and analysis of biological data using computers?

Bio-physics

- Biomechanics
- Genomics
- Bioinformatics

Question No.67

In prokaryotic cells, the ribosomes are,

- 50S
- 60S
- ─ 70S
- 80S

Question No.68

A cluster of flagella at the one end of the bacterium is called as _____

- Lophotrichous
- Peritrichous
- Amphitrichous
- Monotrichous

Question No.69

Which is true when a F^+ cell crosses with a F^- cell?

- F⁺ cells become Hfr cells
- \bigcirc F⁺ cells become F⁻ cells
- \bigcirc F⁻ cells become F⁺ cells
- F⁻ cells become Hfr cells

Question No.70

Which of the following has peptidoglycan as a major constituent of cell wall?

Gram positive bacteria

Fungi

Algae

Gram negative bacteria

Question No.71

Which one of the followings is not an essential amino acid?

- Methionine
- Cysteine
- Histidine
- Lysine

Question No.72

The enzymes for glycolysis are located

- On the outer membrane of the chloroplast
- On the inner surface of the cell membrane
- In the cytoplasm
- On the inner membrane of the mitochondrion

Question No.73

Exploratory research can be completed in all of the following situations except when

- the range and scope of management decisions are established
- additional research is necessary
- investigative questions are defined
- the major dimensions of the research task are established

Question No.74

The organism which grows at high salt concentration is called as _____

- Mesophilic
- Halophilic
- Thermophilic
- Psychrophilic

Question No.75

When a temperate phage incorporates its DNA into the host cell's genome, it is called a:

- Prophage
- Lytic phase

Lysophage

Lambda phase

Question No.76

One gram of soil sample has been diluted to 10^{-5} and 0.5 ml of it has been inoculated in a petri plate containing agar media. The number of colonies recorded in the plate after 24hrs incubation is 60. The CFU count will be:

120 x 10⁻⁵/g

○ 60 x 10⁻⁵/g

○ 60 x 10⁵/g

○ 120 x 10⁵/g

Question No.77

The lipid content in cell wall of acid fast bacteria is

- 0 30%
- 0 75%
- 60%
- 0 45%

Question No.78

Which of the following fungi on infecting crop roots can improve their uptake of phosphorous and other nutrients?

Candida torulopsis

○ VAM

Saccharomyces cervisiae

Aspergillusniger

Question No.79

Which of the following is a substitute for crystal violet used in Gram staining procedure?

- Bromocresol green
- Phenolpthalene
- Methylene blue
- Safranin

Question No.80

PCR based DNA amplification use which of the following molecular markers?

RAPD, SSR and RFLP

- SSR, RFLP and RAPD
- RFLP, SSR, AFLP
- AFLP, SSR and RAPD

Question No.81

Vinegar is obtained from sugar by:

- Salmonella
- Nitrosomonas
- Lactobacillus
- Acetobacter

Question No.82

The process of gentle heating is called as,

- Fermentation
- Mineralization
- Pasteurization
- Autoclave

Question No.83

Mac-Conkey medium is an example of,

- Differential medium
- Enriched medium
- Basal medium
- Transport medium

Question No.84

What will you do to elute target proteins from an affinity chromatography matrix? Wash the column with buffers

- Add soluble ligand that would compete with the affinity tagged protein for binding to the column
- Decrease salt concentrations
- Increase salt concentrations

Question No.85

Which of the following would you use if you wanted to reduce the number of microorganisms to a level that is considered safe?

- Sanitization
- Disinfection
- Antiseptic
- Sterilization

Which one of the following is an ex-situ conservation method for protection of endangered species?

Wildlife sanctuaries

- National park
- Biosphere reserves
- Cryopreservation

Question No.87

Penicillin is specific for bacteria because it:

- Inhibits protein synthesis
- Inhibits nucleic acid synthesis
- Inhibits cell wall synthesis
- Injures the plasma membrane

Question No.88

Which of the following statements is incorrect?

- Fluorescence microscopy is used to detect microorganisms using stained monoclonal antibodies
- Acid fast stains interact with the waxy structures of the cell wall of Mycobacterium sp.
- Transmission electron microscope has practical magnification of greater than 100,000X
- The confocal microscope uses series of images through a three dimensional object that is used for construction of one dimensional image of the object

Question No.89

Who coined the term enzyme first?

- Buchner
- Kuhne
- Pasteur
- Liebig

A leaf appears green in day light, what would it appear as when observed in red light:

Red

- Blue
- Black
- Green

Question No.91

Who introduced the method of vaccination to prevent smallpox?

- Alexander Fleming
- Joseph Lister
- Robert Koch
- Edward Jenner

Question No.92

Research design strategy includes all of the following except:

- instrument development
- data collection design
- sampling design
- data analysis

Question No.93

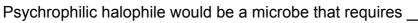
Polymerase chain reaction basically consists of _____

- Five steps
- Three steps
- Two steps
- Four steps

Question No.94

Which histone protein is not part of a nucleosome?

- H2A
- ─ H1
- ─ H4
- H2b



- $\hfill \bigcirc$ Warm temperature and increased amounts of pressure
- Cold temperature and increased amounts of salt
- Cold temperature and the absence of oxygen
- Warm temperature and increased amount of acid

The inactive protein part of enzyme is _____

- Haloenzyme
- Cofactor
- Enzyme
- Apoenzyme

Question No.97

Mycorrhizae are the fungi found:

- Associated with leaves
- Associated with lichen
- Associated with stems
- Association with roots

Question No.98

The reaction, where small precursor molecules are assembled into larger organic molecules is referred as,

- Reverse reaction
- Metabolism
- Anabolism
- Catabolism

Question No.99

Which one of the following acts as mordent in Gram's staining of bacteria?

- Crystal violet
- Safranin
- Ethanol
- Iodine

A rare endangered and endemic taxa can be observed in:

Temperate forests

- Tropical forests
- Buffer zone
- Sacred grooves