## HLS Midterm (2012-2013)

- 1. Which of the following cells increase in level during allergic reactions?
- (a) Neutrophils
- (b) Basophils

## (c) Eosinophils

- (d) Lymphocytes
- (e) Monocytes
- 2. Which of the following is the correct pathway when one lymph node sends a lymphocyte to educate another lymph node about antigenic stimulation?
- (a) Post-capillary venules → Thoracic duct → Systemic Circulation → Efferent lymphatic vessel
- (b) Afferent lymphatic vessel → Post-capillary venules → Efferent lymphatic vessel
- (c) Afferent lymphatic vessel → Thoracic duct → Systemic Circulation → Efferent lymphatic vessel
- (d) Afferent lymphatic vessel → Thoracic duct → Efferent lymphatic vessel
- (e) Efferent lymphatic vessel → Thoracic duct → Systemic Circulation → Post-capillary venules
- 3. Which of the following is NOT true of neutrophilia?
- (a) Neutrophilia is not always associated with an increased production of neutrophils
- (b) Apparent neutrophilia results in the migration of neutrophils from the marginating compartment to the circulating one.

#### (c) Intense muscular exercise increases the number of neutrophils for many days.

- (d) Band cells and metamyelocytes can be seen sometimes in certain bacterial infections
- (e) Glucocorticoids increase the mitotic activity and result in increased production of neutrophils
- 4. Which of the following statements is NOT CORRECT? (NOT SURE OF ANSWER)
- (a) Dendritic cells trap antigens on their surface and present them to T or B cells
- (b) Interdigitating dendritic cells are found in the thymus-dependant zones of the lymph nodes and spleen
- (c) Follicular dendritic cells can present an antigen not associated with MHC to a B cell
- (d) The first cells to be activated in a secondary immune response are memory B cells

5. Removal of the old and aged erythrocytes from the circulation:

## (a) Is due to the dilated endothelium and large pores in the lining of the sinusoids of the spleen

- (b) Takes place in the marginal zone sinuses
- (c) Occurs in the lymph node
- (d) Is the function of splenic cords
- (e) A + B
- 6. All of the following regarding T lymphocytes is correct EXCEPT:
- (a) Maximal activation of cytotoxic T cells involves both MHC-I and MHC-II
- (b) Both T helper and cytotoxic cells have a TCR

#### (c) Both T helper and cytotoxic cells have receptors for IL-1

- (d) Both cells have receptors for IL-2
- (e) CD4+ T helper cell binds an antigen on the surface of an APC
- 7. A fall in sodium plasma concentration:
- (a) Decreases the freezing point of plasma

#### (b) Increases intracellular fluid volume

- (c) Is not associated with thirst
- (d) Can't be caused by excessive (uncontrolled) secretion of ADH (anti-deuteric hormone)
- (e) Causes edema
- 8. A 23 year old female with a red cell count of  $3.2 \times 10^6/\mu$ l, hematocrite of 37%, and haemoglobin concentration of 120g/L. According to the above parameters, which of the following statements is TRUE?
- (a) The RBCs are normocytic, normochromic
- (b) The RBCs are microcytic, normochromic
- (c) The RBCs are microcytic, hypochromic

## (d) The RBCs are macrocytic, normochromic

(e) The RBCs are macrocytic, hyperchromic

- 9. Which of the following about Haemophilia A and Von-Willibrand inheritance is NOT TRUE?
- (a) Von-Willibrand is a hemorrhagic disease
- (b) Haemophilia A is usually confined to males
- (c) Haemophilia A is inherited as a sex-linked abnormality
- (d) Haemophilia A passes from mother to child

## (e) Von-Willibrand disease also appears in males only

10. A person with (A Rh <sup>-</sup> ) blood can receive blood transfusion from which of the following	10. A	person with	(A Rh <sup>-</sup>	) blood ca	an receive	blood	transfusion	from	which o	of the	foll	owing	Σ?
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- 1. A Rh+
- 2. B Rh+
- 3. AB Rh-
- 4. O Rh-
- 5. A Rh-
- (a) 1 only
- (b) 4 only
- (c) 3 only

## (d) 4 + 5

(e) 1 + 5

## 11. Which of the following combinations is NOT TRUE?

	Factor #	Factor Name	Pathway involved		
(a)	3	Tissue Thromboplastin	Extrinsic Pathway		
(b)	10	Stuart Factor	Both Pathways		
(c)	1	Fibrinogen	Both Pathways		
(d)	12	Hageman Factor	Intrinsic Pathway		
<u>(e)</u>	<u>13</u>	Fibrin Stabilizing Factor	<u>Intrinsic Pathway</u>		

## 12. Which of the following combinations is NOT TRUE?

		Haemophilia A	Von-Willibrand Disease
(a)	Inheritance	Sex-linked	Autosomal
(b)	Bleeding Time	Normal	Prolonged
(c)	VIII:C	Low	Low
(d)	VIIIR:Ag	Normal	Low
<u>(e)</u>	<u>Aggregation</u>	<u>Normal</u>	<u>Normal</u>

- 13. Which of the following is NOT a function of thrombin?
- (a) VIII → VIIIa
- (b) Fibrinogen → Fibrin

## (c) $IX \rightarrow IX_a$

- (d) XIII → XIII<sub>a</sub>
- (e) Protein C  $\rightarrow$  Protein C<sub>a</sub>
- 14. Which of the following statements most describe why RBC's are efficient in carrying oxygen:
- 1. Contains hemoglobin
- 2. Have no nucleus
- 3. Have many mitochondria needed to produce ATP
- 4. Biconcave shape
- 5. 4 oxygen molecules are carried by hemoglobin
- (a) 1, 3, 4
- (b)2, 4, 5

## (c) 1, 2, 4, 5

- (d) 1, 2, 3, 5
- (e) 1, 2, 3, 4, 5

15. Which of the following regarding iron absorption in NOT TRUE?

#### (a) The daily iron intake is usually equal to daily iron requirement

- (b) Women have less store of iron than men
- (c) More than 65 % of iron is present in hemoglobin
- (d) Iron absorption is mainly in the upper part of the jejunum
- (e) There is more iron absorption from meat and meat products than from vegetables
- 16. A blood sample was tested and the results indicated a red cell count of  $3.8 \times 10^{12}/L$  and hemoglobin concentration of 16g/deciliter. From the following data:
- (a) We can tell the person is a female
- (b) We can calculate the mean corpuscular volume (MCV)

## (c) We can calculate the mean corpuscular hemoglobin (MCH)

- (d) We can calculate the mean corpuscular hemoglobin concentration (MCHC)
- (e) We can tell if the red blood cells are normocytic, microcytic or macrocytic.
- 17. All of the following regarding the bleeding caused by a small cut wound in the skin are true EXCEPT:
- (a) Can be stopped by a vascular spasm
- (b) It will stop within a period of 5 minutes

#### (c) It will be prolonged if Von-Willibrand factor is deficient

(d) It will be prolonged in the case of thrombocytopenic purpura

- 18. Which of the following regarding % saturation of hemoglobin and oxygen content is NOT CORRECT?
- (a) The % saturation of hemoglobin is dependent on pO $_2$  and completely independent on the concentration of hemoglobin
- (b) The oxygen content is dependent on the concentration of hemoglobin

# (c) The % saturation of hemoglobin is dependent on $pO_2$ as well as on the concentration of hemoglobin

- (d) The oxygen content VS pO<sub>2</sub> will change when the concentration of hemoglobin is changed
- (e) The % saturation of hemoglobin VS  $\,pO_2$  graph will remain the same despite changing the hemoglobin concentration
- 19. Which of the following statements regarding leukocytes are correct
- 1. They move out to the tissues by a process called emigration
- 2. Neutrophils and microphages are required in phagocytosis
- 3. Inflammatory cells are attracted by bacterial molecules and inflamed tissue by a process called chemotaxis
- 4. Leukopenia is an increase in the number of WBC's in the circulation
- (a) 1 and 2 only
- (b) 2, 3, 4

#### (c) 1, 2, 3

- (d) 1, 2, 3, 4
- (e) 3 and 4 only
- 20. Which of the following regarding ABO blood groups is NOT CORRECT?

#### (a) Full cross match involves reacting recipient's plasma with patient's RBCs

- (b) Most cases of blood incompatibility are due to not cross matching the different blood groups
- (c) Anti- A and anti-B antibodies are sometimes absent in blood group O

	21	. Which of the	following regarding	g heme structure and	d abnormalities is CORRECT?
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#### (a) Heme consists of a tetrapyrrole ring, with 4 methyl, 2 vinyl and 2 propionate groups

- (b) Structural changes in the heme are the most common cause of abnormal hemoglobin
- (c) Heme iron if found in aqueous solution will be present in the ferrous (Fe<sup>2+</sup>) state
- (d) The distal histidine of heme is involved in the binding to ferrous iron
- 22. High levels of conjugated bilirubin, near-normal levels of unconjugated bilirubin and low fecal stercobilinogen is best characterized by:
- (a) Hepatitis
- (b) Hemolytic disease

## (c) Obstruction of the bile duct

- (d) Low levels of UDP- glucuronic acid
- (e) Any of the above
- 23. All of the following regarding 2,3 BPG are correct EXCEPT:
- (a) Decreases the oxygen-binding capacity of hemoglobin

#### (b) Decreases some of the effects of sickle cell anemia

- (c) Binds to the pocket situated between the two  $\beta$  globin chains
- (d) Raises the P<sub>50</sub> of hemoglobin
- (e) All of the above are correct
- 24. Lead poisoning will result in accumulation of:
- (a) Porphobilinogen

#### (b) δ-aminolevulinic acid and protoporphyrin IX

- (c) Uroporphyrinogen
- (d) Hydroxymethylbilane
- (e) δ-aminolevulinic acid and coproporphyrinogen

25. Which of the following regarding glutathione and G6PD deficiency is NOT CORRECT? (a) Glutathione is a tri-peptide that consists of (gly-cys-glu) (b) G6PD production of NADPH is required to maintain glutathione in a reduced state (c) G6PD A- variant (class III) is associated with 80% enzyme activity in reticulocyte cells (d) In cells such as the liver, G6PD is not the only way for the production of NADPH (e) G6PD deficiency is associated with non-sense and frameshift mutations 26. Which of the following regarding hemoglobin and myoglobin is NOT CORRECT? (a) Both are rich in  $\alpha$ -helical content (b) Both bind one oxygen molecule per heme (c) Hemoglobin has 7  $\alpha$ -helical segments in its  $\alpha$  chain and 8 in its  $\beta$  chain (d) Both contain a proximal histidine (F8) and a distal histidine (E7) (e)The P<sub>50</sub> of myoglobin is lower than hemoglobin but higher than fetal hemoglobin 27. All of the following are required in heme synthesis EXCEPT: (a) Glycine (b) Pyridoxal Phosphate (c) Succinyl CoA (d) Acetyl CoA (e) Ferrous iron 28. HIV wasting syndrome is: (a) Body weight loss >50% (b) Body weight loss >10%, unexplained chronic diarrhea, prolonged fever and physical weakness (c) Chronic diarrhea associated persistent generalized lymphadenopathy (d) Associated with clinical stage C of HIV infection (e) Persistent fever, malaise, and intermittent diarrhea

- 29. Regarding the epidemiology of HIV, which of the following is NOT CORRECT?
- (a) Most people infected do not know they have the disease

## (b) The epidemic has now reached a plateau

- (c) 90% of children infected with HIV are either due to being born to an infected mother or breast milk
- 30. Which of the following regarding HIV diagnostic techniques is NOT CORRECT?
- (a) Screening tests look for antibodies to the virus and have now reached almost a sensitivity of 100%

## (b) Screening tests look for antibodies to p24 and p55 antigens

- (c) The most common confirmatory test used is Western Blot
- (d) A minimum of 2 to 3 bands are need to confirm a positive diagnosis in Western Blot technique
- (e) Viral load can be found by measuring viral RNA or DNA using molecular detection methods
- 31. Regarding the WHO clinical staging guidelines of HIV/AIDS, all of the following are correct EXCEPT:
- (a) This staging system is used by WHO for resource limited countries
- (b) The staging depends entirely on clinical symptoms

#### (c) Staging is classified according to count of CD4+ T cells

- (d) The patient's clinical symptoms are tested in every medical visit
- (e) It consists of 5 different clinical stages
- 32. Regarding bacterial infection of the blood, all of the following are correct EXCEPT:
- (a) Sepsis is associated with an exaggerated systemic inflammatory response
- (b) Septicemia can result from disseminated spread of a pathogen at a local site of infection

# (c) The severity and predominance of the disease is the same regardless of the causative agent of infection

- (d) Misdistribution of oxygen to several organs in the body
- (e) Proceeds to multiple organ dysfunction in the last stages of infection

- 33. A 29 year old woman suffering from severe menstrual bleeding for a few weeks had her blood tested. The results indicated a MCV of 63 fl, MCHC of 28 g/dl and RCC of 3 x  $10^6/\mu$ l. Which of the following indicators is inconsistent with the condition she has?
- (a) Decreased transferrin saturation
- (b) Low level of hepcidin
- (c) Decreased serum ferritin

#### (d) Decreased total iron binding capacity

- 34. A 60 year old man suffers from episodes of infection and intermittent bleeding. Results showed that his hemoglobin concentration is below normal but with a normal MCHC. Thrombocytopenia was proven by a vast decrease in number of platelets. Which of the following conditions is least likely to be involved as well?
- (a) Monocytopenia
- (b) Granulocytopenia

#### (c) Splenomegaly

- (d) Absolute lymphocyte count is normal
- (e) Low RBC count
- 35. A 43 year old woman suffers from weakness and fatigue for almost 2 months. Her blood count came up with a MCV of 110 fl, [Hb] of 8g/dl and MCHC of 32 g/dl. She is also positive for neutropenia, and has a decreased number of platelets. The reticulocyte levels have reached almost 4%. Which of the following is the most probable cause of her results?
- (a) Decreased utilization of iron
- (b) Increased level of hepcidin
- (c) Toxic effect on the stem cells
- (d) Drug adverse reaction

#### (e) Antibody mediated

36. In anemia of chronic disease, which of the following is CORRECT?

(a) MCV normal, [ $\downarrow$  serum ferritin] [ $\downarrow$  iron stores] [ $\downarrow$  TIBC]

## (b) MCV normal, $\uparrow$ serum ferritin] $\uparrow$ iron stores] $\downarrow$ TIBC]

- (c) MCV low, [ $\downarrow$  serum ferritin] [ $\downarrow$  iron stores] [ $\downarrow$  TIBC]
- (d) MCV high, [ $\downarrow$  serum ferritin] [ $\uparrow$  iron stores] [ $\downarrow$  TIBC]
- (e) MCV low, [ $\downarrow$  serum ferritin] [ $\downarrow$  iron stores] [ $\uparrow$  TIBC]