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PHYSIOLOGY - PAPER II

Time: 3 hrs Max marks: 50

- Answer all questions
- Draw diagrams wherever necessary

Long essay (10)

- A 50 yrs old male comes with the history of difficulty to walk. On examination there is rigidity and resting tremors. His gait is abnormal.
 - What is your diagnosis.
 - How do you describe this rigidity and the resting tremor and explain their physiological basis.
 - Name the parts of the brain involved .
 - Describe the important functional connections.

(1+3+2+4=10)

Short Essay:

(2x5=10)

- Describe the endometrial changes during a normal menstrual cycle and its hormonal regulation.
- List any four functions of hypothalamus and explain any one

Write briefly on:

(5x3=15)

- Milk ejection reflex
- Disynaptic reflex.
- Mechanism of action of steroid hormones.
- Decerebrate rigidity
- Functions of vestibular apparatus

Draw and label:

 $(2x2\frac{1}{2}=5)$

- Cortico spinal tract
- Auditory pathway

Explain the physiological basis of the following:

(5x2=10)

- Exophthalmos is a clinical feature of thyroid dysfunction
- Sertoli cells are important in spermatogenesis
- Calcium plays a major role in skeletal muscle relaxation
- Near point of vision recedes rapidly with advancing age
- Parathyroidectomy leads to signs of neuromuscular hyperexitability

