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**The West Bengal University of Health Sciences**  
**MBBS 1<sup>st</sup> Professional Examination (New Regulation), February -March**  
**2022**

Subject: Biochemistry

Full Marks : 100

Paper : II

Time : 3 hours

*Attempt all questions. The figures in the margin indicate full marks.*

1. a) A 46 year old male patient was admitted to the hospital with symptoms of diphtheria, a condition caused by corynebacterium diphtheria. The diphtheria toxin inhibits translation in mammalian systems.
  - i) Describe the process of translation in eukaryotes with flow diagram.
  - ii) Name three inhibitors of protein synthesis and mention their mechanism of action.
  - iii) Enumerate post-translational modifications. 6+3+6.
- b) List the name of four hormones that act through G-protein coupled receptor complex. Describe the process of signal transduction by any one of those hormones. Briefly state the role of Calcium in signal transduction. 2+8+5
2. a) Name two vitamins which have role as antioxidants. Briefly describe the sources, their mode of action as antioxidants and deficiency manifestations. 2+1+5+2
- b) Name the four different types of hypersensitivity. Give one example of each type of hypersensitivity. Describe the mechanism of types I hypersensitivity. 2+2+6
- c) Diagrammatically discuss the absorption transport and storage of Iron. Enlist the iron containing proteins, justify the role of cytochrome in electron transport chain. 6+4
3. Write short notes on the following: 2x5
  - a) Southern blotting technique.
  - b) Protein energy malnutrition.
4. Explain the following statements: 5x4
  - a) Vitamin B12 should be given along with folic acid to treat folic acid deficient anemia.
  - b) Cancer may be caused by excessive activity of protein tyrosine kinase activity.
  - c) Glutathione is an important mediator for detoxification of toxic materials in humans.
  - d) Wilson's disease is a disorder of copper metabolism.
  - e) Yeast artificial chromosome can act as a high capacity vector in DNA cloning.
5. Choose the correct option for each of the following: 10x1
  - i) Tumour marker for ovarian cancer
    - a)  $\beta$  hcG
    - b) AFP
    - c) Ca-125
    - d) CEA.
  - ii) What is full name of cDNA ?
    - a) Cloned DNA
    - b) Complementary DNA
    - c) Catalytic DNA
    - d) Cleaved DNA.

- iii) Which of the following belongs to a trace element in humans:
- Calcium
  - Sodium
  - Potassium.
  - Copper.
- iv) The specialized structures located at the ends of the eukaryotic chromosomes are called
- Terminators
  - Telomeres
  - Terminal sequence
  - Stop signal.
- v) Which of the following is a tumour suppressor protein :
- p53.
  - pRb.
  - Myc.
  - Both a and b.
- vi) Cytochrome P450 helps in xenobiotic reactions by which of the following mechanisms:
- Functioning as a dioxygenase
  - Functioning as a mono-dioxygenase
  - Using NADH as a cofactor
  - Using calcium ion as a second messenger
- vii) Which of the following hormones use protein tyrosine kinase as second messenger ?
- Insulin and growth hormone
  - TSH and growth hormone
  - Insulin and TSH
  - TSH and Catecholamines
- viii) Which of the following techniques is used to identify a particular segment of DNA from an agarose gel electrophoresis?
- Western blot
  - Southern blot
  - Northern blot
  - Polymerase chain reaction
- ix) Kwashiorkor is characterized by all of the following except
- Protein deficiency
  - Marked anorexia
  - Hypoglycemia
  - Fatty liver
- x) Vitamin k administration is routinely advised in premature babies. Which of the following reasons explains this most appropriately?
- Vitamin K helps to initiate respiration more smoothly in premature babies
  - Vitamin K helps to prevent haemorrhage in premature infants
  - Vitamin K helps to promote skeletal muscle activity in premature infants
  - Vitamin K helps to prevent acid base disorder in premature infants.