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**Question one: Circle the best corresponding answer (20 marks)**

1- In a resting cell, which of the following is closest to the resting potential?

- A) +50 mV                      B) 25 mV                      C) -70 mV                      D) -100 mV

2- During an action potential, the flow of Na<sup>+</sup> through voltage-gated channels stops when the membrane potential reaches approximately...

- A) -70 mV                      B) +30 mV                      C) 0 mV                      D) +60 mV

3- When human immunodeficiency virus (HIV) attaches to a host cell what genetic material is released into the cell's cytoplasm?

- A) chromosome                      B) RNA                      C) DNA                      D) ligand

4- Steroid hormones are secreted by

- A) the adrenal medulla.                      B) the gonads.                      C) the thyroid gland

5- Hormone that is responsible for production of milk in mammary glands:

- A) oxytocin                      B) estrogen                      C) prolactin                      D) progesterone

6- Which one of the following disease results from endocrine disorder?

- A) lung infection                      B) goiter                      C) jaundice                      D) typhoid

7- Which of the following is mismatched?

- A) oxytocin—hypothalamus                      B) insulin—pancreas  
C) glucagon—pancreas                      D) thyroid hormone—pituitary gland

8- Movement of the axon membrane potential from -70mV to -90mV would be called a(n)

- A) Action potential                      B) Threshold potential                      C) Depolarization  
D) Hyperpolarization                      E) Excitatory local potential

9- The membrane voltage level at which an action potential is triggered is called the

- A) Refractory period                      B) Hyperpolarization                      C) Threshold of excitation  
D) Rate level                      E) Equilibrium point

10- Neurotransmitter molecules are secreted from the \_\_\_\_\_ in response to the arrival of an action potential.

- A) Glial cell                      B) Dendrite                      C) Axon terminal                      D) Mitochondrion

11- The \_\_\_\_\_ potential is the electrical potential at which there would be no net diffusion of an ion across the plasma membrane.

- A) Action                      B) Resting                      C) Receptor                      D) Equilibrium

12- Which of these statements about the hormone insulin is true?

- A) It is secreted by Beta cells in the islets of Langerhans.

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- B) It is secreted in response to low blood glucose.  
C) It stimulates hypoglycemia.

**13- Which of these terms best describes the interactions of insulin and glucagon?**

- A) Synergistic                      B) Permissive                      C) Antagonistic                      D) Cooperative

**14- Hyposecretion of which hormone causes cretinism:**

- A) Parathyroid hormone                      B) Thyroxin                      C) Thyrocalcitonin                      D) Prolactin

**15- During emergencies, the “fight-or-flight” response**

- A) decreases the heart rate.                      B) is caused by hormone secretions in the adrenal medulla.  
C) is stimulated by cortisol.                      D) is the result of aldosterone causing faster blood flow.

**16- Since steroid hormones are lipids, they**

- A) attach only to lipid receptor molecules.                      B) cannot enter target cells.  
C) activate only fat cells.                      D) pass through the lipid bilayer of cell membranes.

**17- Which of the following scenarios increases a person’s risk of developing cancer?**

- A) your friend sneezed on her in Biology class.                      B) you are drinking lots of water.  
C) a person inhaled a number of carcinogens.                      D) none of the above.

**18- By definition, which of the following is cancer?**

- A) a group of cells that grow and divide.                      B) tumor that are present in certain organs.  
C) cells that divide uncontrollably.                      D) discolored cells that are infected with bacteria.

**19- The strength or intensity of a neuronal signal is determined by**

- A) the size of the action potential                      B) the rate of firing of a neuron  
C) the type of receptor that is activated                      D) the type of neuron that is activated  
E) the particular neurotransmitter(s) that are released

**20- In its resting state, a neuron is said to be**

- A) polarized                      B) depolarized                      C) hypopolarized                      D) hyperpolarized

**21- Which of the following factors is the most important for the presence of the absolute refractory period of action potentials?**

- A) Na<sup>+</sup> channel activation.                      B) Na<sup>+</sup> channel inactivation.  
C) K<sup>+</sup> channel activation.                      D) K<sup>+</sup> channel inactivation.

**22- During an action potential...**

- A) K<sup>+</sup> flows into the cell, then Na<sup>+</sup> flows out.                      B) Na<sup>+</sup> flows out of the cell, then K<sup>+</sup> flows in.  
C) Na<sup>+</sup> flows into the cell, then K<sup>+</sup> flows out.                      D) K<sup>+</sup> flows out of the cell, then Na<sup>+</sup> flows in.

**23- During the action potential, when does sodium permeability increase rapidly?**

- A) during repolarization                      B) during hyperpolarization

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C) during the rising phase of the action potential

**24- Synaptic potentials differ from action potentials in which of the following ways?**

- A) synaptic potentials are initiated by changes in voltage-dependent conductances.
- B) synaptic potentials in the mammalian CNS are typically all-or-none events.
- C) at onset, synaptic potentials can be either depolarizing or hyperpolarizing.
- D) at onset, synaptic potentials can arise from increases in either  $g_{Na}$  or  $g_{Cl}$ .
- E) (C) and (D).

**25- Brown eye is a dominant trait over green eye, that means**

- A) one brown allele and one green allele produce green eye color
- B) one brown allele and one green allele produce brown eye color
- C) two brown alleles should be present to produce brown eye color
- D) one brown allele and one green allele produce blue eye color

**26- Glands in the endocrine system**

- A) produce hormones that are secreted into the digestive tract.
- B) release hormones into the blood stream or the fluid around cells.
- C) release hormones as rapidly as nerve impulses are transmitted.
- D) none of the above.

**27- Negative feedback is a process that**

- A) always reduces the amount of a hormone present in the blood.
- B) keeps conditions near their normal state.
- C) lowers the body temperature below normal.
- D) none of the above.

**28- Neuronal signals are carried across the synapse by**

- A) direct electrical connections between the two cells.
- B) the secretion of transmitter molecules into the synapse.
- C) the 'transfer of' proteins from one cell to another.
- D) an inhibitory effect of a transmitter molecule on the presynaptic membrane.

**29- What happens to the the acetylcholine (ACh) released by the motor neuron at the neuromuscular junction?**

- A) Most of the ACh is hydrolyzed in the synaptic cleft by acetylcholinesterase.
- B) Most of the ACh diffuses out of the synaptic cleft and dilutes into the extracellular solution.
- C) Most of the ACh is taken up intact by the postsynaptic receptors via an active-transport process.
- D) Most of the ACh is taken up intact by the presynaptic nerve terminal via an active-transport process.

**30- In one cycle of neural communication, which is the correct order of events?**

- A) Neurotransmitter release > action potential > threshold of excitation reached > inhibitory or excitatory post synaptic potential.

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- B) Threshold of excitation reached > action potential > neurotransmitter release > inhibitory or excitatory post synaptic potential
- C) Threshold of excitation reached > neurotransmitter'release > action'potential > inhibitory or excitatory post synaptic potential
- D) Inhibitory or excitatory post synaptic potential > neurotransmitter release > threshold of excitation reached > action potential.

**31- Which of the following will neutralize the effect of an EPSP (Excitatory postsynaptic potential)?**

- A) Further opening of a sodium channel.
- B) Allowing intracellular anions to leave the cell.
- C) Closing a potassium channel.
- D) Opening a chloride channel.

**32- Spermatogenesis is initiated by:**

- A) Testosterone
- B) FSH (Follicle Stimulating Hormone)
- C) Inhibin
- D) Enterokinine

**33- Which of the following play a role at the checkpoints to control the cell cycle?**

- A) mitosis
- B) p53
- C) cyclin and chromatin

**34- Which of the following events is usually associated with necrosis?**

- A) Membrane blebbing (formation of multiple protrusions of the plasma membrane).
- B) Rapid lysis of the cell membrane followed by an inflammatory response.
- C) Cleavage and fragmenting of DNA by nucleases.
- D) Engulfment of the apoptotic cell body by macrophages.

**35- In lymphoid cells Fas/FasL interaction can trigger**

- A) Hyperproliferation
- B) Gene duplication
- C) DNA rearrangement
- D) Apoptosis
- E) gene conversion

**36- This protein serves to inhibit apoptosis.**

- A) Bax
- B) p53
- C) cytochrome C
- D) Bcl-2

**37- Tumor-suppressor genes**

- A) are frequently overexpressed in cancerous cells.
- B) are cancer-causing genes introduced into cells by viruses.
- C) often encode proteins that stimulate the cell cycle.
- D) can encode proteins that promote DNA repair.

**38- A serum sample obtained from blood contains all the following EXCEPT:**

- A) albumin
- B)  $\alpha_1$ -globulin
- C)  $\alpha_2$ -globulin
- D) fibrinogen
- E)  $\gamma$ -globulin

**39- Axons of the nerve cells**

- A) contain the nucleus.
- B) are numerous extensions from each neuron.
- C) have a distal portion that branches to form the presynaptic terminals or terminal boutons.

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D) do not have a resting membrane potential.

**40- Synaptic vesicles contain neurotransmitter are present in the**

A) dendrites.      B) cell body.      C) axolemma.      D) presynaptic terminals.

**Question two: Indicate the following sentences are true (T) or False (F). 20 marks**

1- An influx of sodium into the presynaptic neuron at a chemical synapse causes the vesicles to fuse with the cell membrane and release their contents into the synaptic cleft. (T / F)

2- Acetylcholine can act as an excitatory or an inhibitory neurotransmitter. (T / F)

3- Under resting conditions, there is more K<sup>+</sup> inside the cell than outside the cell. (T / F)

4- During the absolute refractory period, a second action potential could be triggered if a stronger stimulus is applied. (T / F)

5- An IPSP is a hyperpolarization of the post-synaptic cell membrane. (T / F)

6- Apoptosis is triggered when there is irreversible damage to cellular DNA. (T / F)

7- Neutrophils have multilobed nuclei. (T / F)

8- Macrophages Are derived from blood neutrophils. (T / F)

9- p<sup>53</sup> is the site of the commonest mutation in human cancers. (T / F)

10- Cytochrome C is important activators of apoptosis. (T / F)

11- Bcl<sub>2</sub> protein blocks release of cytochrome C from mitochondria. (T / F)

12- At a chemical synapse between two neurons, the neuron receiving the signal is called the presynaptic neuron, and the neuron sending the signal is called the postsynaptic neuron. (T / F)

13- Voltage-gated channels open in response to changes in membrane potential. (T / F)

14- Chemical-gated channels open due to the presence of specific chemicals. (T / F)

15- The frequency of impulses and number of activated sensory neurons encodes differences in stimuli intensity. (T / F)

16- Neurotransmitters are removed from the synaptic cleft by enzymatic breakdown. (T / F)

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- 17- hypothalamic-releasing hormones stimulate the secretion of specific hormones from the anterior pituitary. (T / F)
- 18- Insulin stimulates the production of glycogen and fat. (T / F)
- 19- Steroid hormones are secreted by the thyroid gland. (T / F)
- 20- the interactions of insulin and glucagon is cooperative. (T / F)
- 21- Melatonin has a primary role in many circadian rhythm. (T / F)
- 22- Exchanges between blood and tissue fluid occur across the walls of venules. (T / F)
- 23- Platelets release chemicals that stimulate vasoconstriction. (T / F)
- 24- Antibodies against both type A and type B antigens are found in the plasma of a person who is type AB. (T / F)
- 25- Production of which of Lymphocytes blood cells is stimulated by a hormone secreted by the kidneys. (T / F)
- 29- Erythrocytes production is stimulated by erythropoietin. (T / F)
- 30- Inflammation is a characteristic of apoptosis. (T / F)
- 31- The activation of caspase-8 results in fragmented mitochondria during apoptosis. (T / F)
- 32- Apoptosis can be initiated by cytochrome c release from the mitochondria. (T / F)
- 33- The apoptosome complex constructed FasL and FADD. (T / F)
- 34- Axons are the neuron processes that normally receive incoming stimuli. (T / F)
- 35- An action potential involves the influx of negative ions to depolarize the membrane. (T / F)
- 36- Immediately after an action potential is propagated, potassium ions rapidly diffuses out of the cell into the tissue fluid. (T / F)
- 37- A neurotransmitter is released at axonal endings to propagate a nervous impulse. (T / F)
- 38- Hormones make it possible for neurons to communicate. (T / F)
- 39- An EPSP is a hyperpolarization of the post-synaptic cell membrane. (T / F)

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40- During an action potential  $K^+$  flows into the cell, then  $Na^+$  flows out. (T / F)

**Question 3: Place the following events in a chemical synapse in the correct order. (3.5 marks)**

- \_\_\_\_\_ Release of neurotransmitters into the synaptic cleft.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Arrival of nerve impulse at the presynaptic neuron's synaptic end.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Either depolarization or hyperpolarization of postsynaptic membrane.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Inward flow of  $Ca^{2+}$  through activated voltage-gated  $Ca^{2+}$  channels in the synaptic end
- \_\_\_\_\_ Exocytosis of synaptic vesicles,
- \_\_\_\_\_ Opening of ligand-gated channels on the postsynaptic plasma membrane,
- \_\_\_\_\_ Binding of neurotransmitters to receptors in the postsynaptic neuron's plasma membrane.

**Question 3:Which part of the graph in the right corresponds to: (5 marks)**

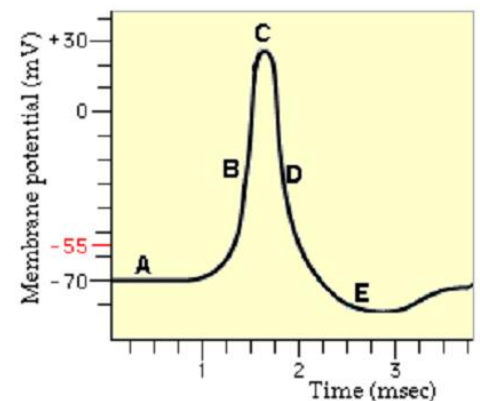
\_\_\_\_\_ time when voltage-gated sodium channels are inactivated, then reset to the closed state. Potassium channels continue to open.

\_\_\_\_\_ time when voltage-gated sodium and potassium channels are closed.

\_\_\_\_\_ time when voltage-gated sodium channels begin to inactivate and voltage-gated potassium channels begin to open.

\_\_\_\_\_ time when some voltage-gated potassium channels remain open, resulting in movement of potassium out of the cell.

\_\_\_\_\_ time when voltage-gated sodium channels open rapidly, resulting in movement of sodium into the cell.



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**Question 4: Short answers. (10 marks)**

- 1- Explain why the anterior pituitary is sometimes referred to as the “master gland
  
- 2- Mention two hormones that are produced by the hypothalamus and explain the function of one of them?
  
- 3- What is the importance of gaps ( $G_1$  and  $G_2$ ) for the cell cycle?
  
- 4- What will happen to the cell cycle in case of  $P_{53}$  mutation?
  
- 5- Explain the meaning of the absolute and the relative refractory periods in the action potential?

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