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1. Green world hypothesis suggests that despite many primary consumers feeding on plants, the terrestrial ecosystems maintain their greenery. The herbivores are able to consume only a small part of plant biomass because of several inhibiting factors. Some of the factors are listed below:

1. Plants have defences against herbivores.
2. Abiotic factors limit herbivore feeding.
3. Disturbances in breeding cycle limit herbivore feeding.
4. Intraspecific competition limits herbivore feeding.

Animal Kingdom (XI)

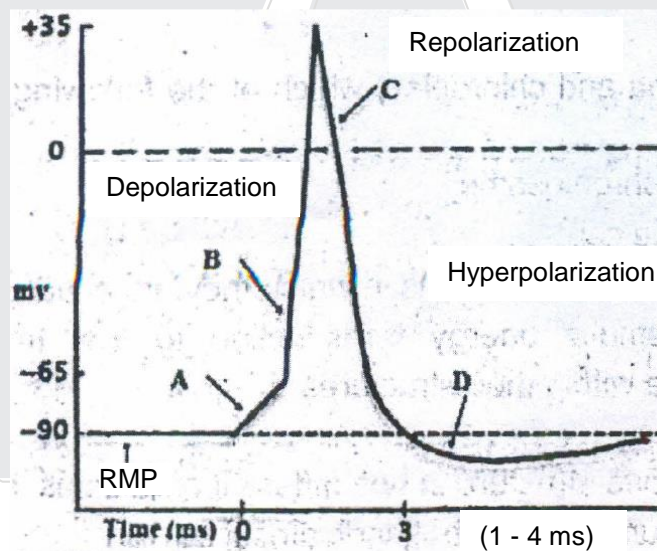
Which of the following is true?

- (a) Statements 1, 2 and 3 are the inhibiting factors.
- (b) Statements 1, 2 and 4 are the inhibiting factors.
- (c) Statements 1, 3 and 4 are the inhibiting factors.
- (d) Statements 2, 3 and 4 are the inhibiting factors.

Ans. (b)

2. Match the alphabets (A, B, C and D) with the events (i, ii, iii and iv) seen during action potential.

Neural Control & Coordination (XI)



- i) Voltage gated K^+ channels remain open after the potential reaches resting level.
- ii) Closure of Na^+ and opening of K^+ , voltage gated channels.
- iii) Local potential changes, depolarization to threshold.
- iv) Opening of voltage gated Na^+ channels.

- (a) A – iv, B – i, C – iii, D - ii
- (c) A – i, B – ii, C – iii, D – iv

- (b) A – iii, B – iv, C – ii, D - i
- (d) A – ii, B – i, C – iv, D - iii

Ans. (b)

3. The first groups of animals to develop a lung adequate to support their respiratory requirements without use of supplementary organ for gaseous exchange were: **Animal kingdom (XI)**
(a) amphibians (b) reptiles (c) mammals (d) aves

Ans. (b)

4. With respect to keratin, which of the following is **NOT** a correct statement? **Biomolecules (XI)**
(a) It is the structural protein of hair, wool, nails, claws, beaks and feathers.
(b) It is a component of vertebrate skin.
(c) It is a globular protein that protects animal body from external injuries.
(d) Its hardness vary with the degree of cross linking by disulphide bridges between neighbouring chains.

Ans. (c)

5. Spina bifida is a congenital defect of the vertebral column. An increased risk of this defect is primarily associated with low level of - **Human Health & Disease (XII)**
(a) Vitamin A (b) Vitamin B (c) Vitamin C (d) Vitamin E

Ans. (b)

6. With respect to mitochondria and chloroplast which of the following statements is **NOT** true? **Cell : the unit of life (XI)**
(a) They possess a circular chromosome.
(b) They reproduce within the cell.
(c) They divide at the same time as the cells in which they are situated divide.
(d) They employ chemiosmotic energy transduction to fuel the biochemical reactions that take place within their structures.

Ans. (c)

7. The presence of homologous structure in two different organisms, such as radius and ulna in forelimb of a human and a bat, indicates that - **Origin & Evolution (XII)**
(a) humans and bats are polyphyletic species.
(b) the evolution of human and bat is convergent.
(c) humans and bats form a monophyletic clade.
(d) humans and bats did not evolve from a common ancestor.

Ans. (c)

8. Tattooing is a permanent coloration of the skin in which a foreign pigment is deposited with a needle into the _____. **Structural Organisation in Animals (XI)**
(a) epidermis (b) dermis (c) hypodermis (d) connective tissue

Ans. (b)

9. An angiosperm 'A' and a gymnosperm 'G' have 100 chromosomes in the cell of their meristem. What would be the correct number of chromosomes in the endosperms of the seeds of A and G?

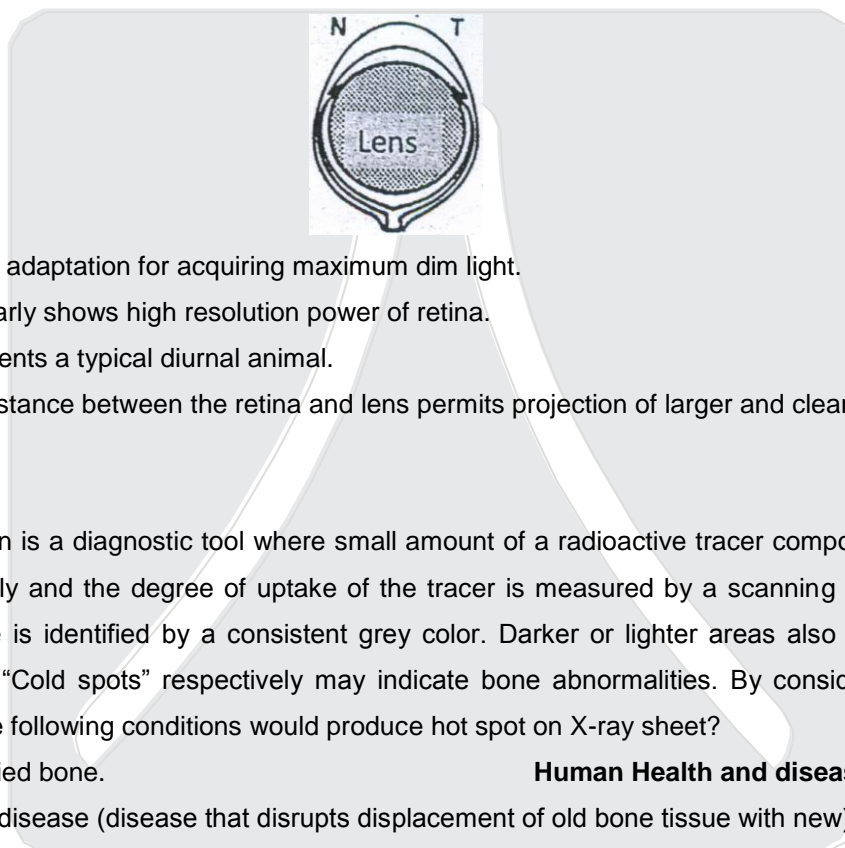
Sexual Reproduction flowering plants (XII)

- (a) A = 300; G = 300
(b) A = 200; G = 200
(c) A = 100; G = 300
(d) A = 300; G = 100

Ans. (d)

10. Schematic eye is represented in the figure. Which of the following statements is true?

Neural control and coordination (XI)



- (a) It shows adaptation for acquiring maximum dim light.
(b) It peculiarly shows high resolution power of retina.
(c) It represents a typical diurnal animal.
(d) Small distance between the retina and lens permits projection of larger and clearer image.

Ans. (d)

11. A bone scan is a diagnostic tool where small amount of a radioactive tracer compound is injected intravenously and the degree of uptake of the tracer is measured by a scanning device. Normal bone tissue is identified by a consistent grey color. Darker or lighter areas also known as "Hot spots" and "Cold spots" respectively may indicate bone abnormalities. By considering this fact, which of the following conditions would produce hot spot on X-ray sheet?

Human Health and disease (XII)

- (a) Decalcified bone.
(b) Paget's disease (disease that disrupts displacement of old bone tissue with new).
(c) Bone cancer.
(d) Degenerative bone diseases.

Ans. (c)

12. There are two forms of UV radiations, UVA (315 – 400 nm) & UVB (280 – 315 nm) that have different effects on health. Which of the following statements is true?

Environmental issue (XII)

- (a) UVA is not absorbed by the ozone layer and is responsible for tanning.
(b) UVB is not absorbed by the ozone layer and is germicidal in action.
(c) UVA is most absorbed by ozone layer and is responsible for cataract formation.
(d) UVA is not absorbed by ozone layer and is responsible for sun burn and skin cancer.

Ans. (d)

13. Select the correct match for items in part A to that in part B among the following:

Human Health & Disease (XII)

| | Part A | | Part B |
|----|--------------------------------------|------|--|
| P) | Receptor mediated endocytosis | i) | Entry of maternal antibodies across placenta |
| Q) | Phagocytosis | ii) | Entry of HIV in helper T cell. |
| R) | Bulk phase endocytosis / Pinocytosis | iii) | Vital defence mechanism |
| S) | Transcytosis | iv) | Absorptive cells of kidneys & intestine. |

(a) P – ii, Q – i, R – iii, S – iv

(b) P – i, Q – ii, R – iv, S - iii

(c) P – ii, Q – iii, R – iv, S – I

(d) P – iii, Q – iv, R – ii, S – i

Ans. (c)

14. Structural features of two types of cells; P and Q of vascular tissue of a dicot plant are given below;

Anatomy of flowering plants (XI)

P:- Presence of nucleus, membrane bound organelles and large number of mitochondria.

Q:- No nucleus, cytoplasm is in the form of thin layer, few small mitochondria, no ribosomes, no Golgi bodies.

Cells P and Q are:

- (a) P-xylem parenchyma; Q-xylem trachieds
 (b) P-companion cell; Q-phloem fibres
 (c) P-companion cells; Q-sieve tube elements
 (d) P-companion cell; Q-xylem parenchyma

Ans. (c)

15. The products of hydrolysis of chitin which is a major component of exoskeleton of insects is;

Biomolecules (XI)

- (a) galactosamine which is an amino sugar.
 (b) glucosamine which is an amino sugar.
 (c) deoxyribose sugar which is a pentose sugar.
 (d) fatty acids and glycerol.

Ans. (b)

16. White coat color in guinea pigs is recessive (b) to black (B). Ovary from black homozygous guinea pig is transplanted into a white ovariectomized female. If this white female is mated with a white male the offspring will be :

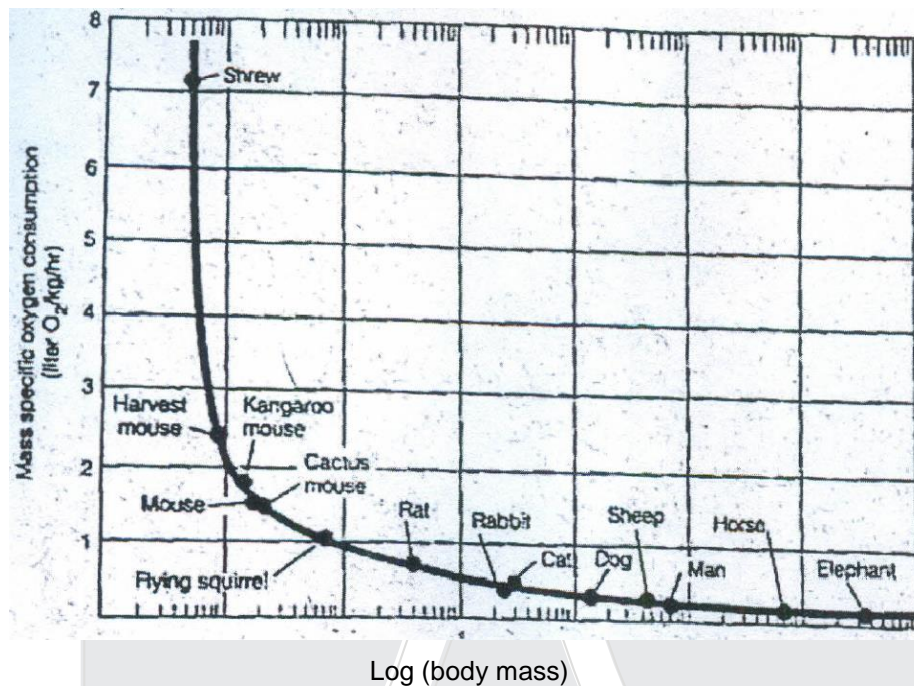
Principle of Inheritance in Variation (Genetics) (XII)

- (a) black with the genotype BB. (b) white with the genotype bb.
 (c) black or white with genotype Bb OR bb. (d) black with the genotype Bb.

Ans. (d)

17. In the context of the following figure, which of the statements below is true?

(Organisms & Populations) (XII)



- (a) Mass specific metabolic rate decreases with increased activity.
 (b) Mass specific metabolic rate increases with decreasing body mass.
 (c) Mass specific metabolic rate increases with decreased area/volume.
 (d) Mass specific metabolic rate decreases with increase in food consumption rate.

Ans. (b)

18. Kangaroo rat is a xeric vertebrate which has higher metabolic rate than lizards. It usually does not drink water. Which of the following features is NOT shown by this mammal?

(Organisms & Populations) (XII)

Ecology

- (a) It produces highly concentrated urine.
 (b) It shows lower basal metabolic rate than a non-desert mammal.
 (c) It utilizes metabolic water and spends the day in burrows which have temperature of 25°C.
 (d) It has cutaneous permeability to absorb moisture from the damp burrows during day and form cold sand at night.

Ans. (d)

19. Glyoxysomes are single membrane-bound cytoplasmic organelles in eukaryotes. Which of the following statements is **NOT** true for glyoxisomes? **Cell cycle & cell division (XI)**
- (a) glyoxysomes are specialized type of peroxisomes.
 (b) they play a major role in the mobilization and utilization of stored nutrients in germinating seeds.
 (c) they are found in vertebrates liver and play a major role in converting glucose to glycogen.
 (d) they play a major role in the conversion of fatty acids into carbohydrates.

Ans. (c)

20. The diagram below represents the digestive system from _____ group of animals

Digestion & absorption (XI)



- (a) ruminant herbivore
 (b) non-ruminant herbivore
 (c) bird
 (d) carnivore animal

Ans. (b)

21. When a small piece of fresh liver is dropped into a beaker of hydrogen peroxide solution, it results in rapid generation of gas bubbles. This can be attributed to: **Cell the unit of life (XI)**
1. action of an enzyme catalase that breaks down H_2O_2 into H_2O and O_2 .
 2. action of peroxisomes in hepatocytes, whose enzymes break down H_2O_2 to release oxygen.
 3. Increased H_2O_2 production by superoxide dismutase activity in peroxisomes.
 4. H_2O_2 acting on glycogen from liver cells releasing CO_2 .

- (a) 1 and 2 (b) 4 only (c) 3 only (d) 2 and 3

Ans. (a)

22. Function of non-kinetochore microtubules is ; **Cell cycle & cell division (XI)**

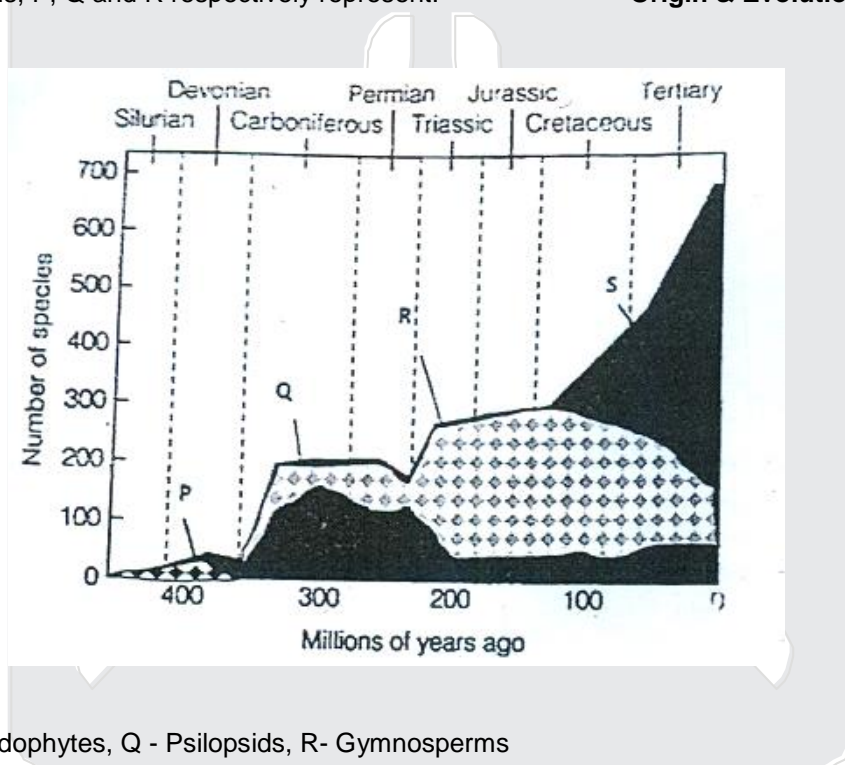
- i. To help the chromosomes to get arranged at the equator.
- ii. To elongate the cell during anaphase.
- iii. To help the separation of chromatids during anaphase.

Which of the statements/s is/are correct?

- (a) i only (b) ii only (c) iii only (d) i and ii

Ans. (d)

23. The diagram below represents pattern of expansion and reduction of major terrestrial plant groups identified as P, Q, R and S during the 400 million years of plant evolution. If S represents Angiosperms, P, Q and R respectively represent: **Origin & Evolution (XII)**



- (a) P - Pteridophytes, Q - Psilopsids, R- Gymnosperms
- (b) P - Gymnosperms, Q - Psilopsids, R- Pteridophytes
- (c) P - Pteridophytes, Q - Gymnosperms, R- Psilopsids
- (d) P - Psilopsids, Q - Pteridophytes, R - Gymnosperm

Ans. (d)

24. If photosynthesizing algal cells are provided with CO₂ with heavy isotopes of oxygen (¹⁸O₂); which of the following, produced by the algae will **NOT** contain ¹⁸O₂?

Photosynthesis in higher plants (XI)

- (a) PGA (b) PGAL (c) Glucose (d) O₂

Ans. (d)

25. Which of the following statements about allosterically regulated enzymes is correct?

Biomolecules (XI)

- (a) Activator binds to the active site of an enzyme.
- (b) Inhibitor binds to the active site of an enzyme.
- (c) Activator binds to the active sites and stabilise the active form of an enzyme.
- (d) Activator binds to the regulatory site of an enzyme and stabilizes the active form.

Ans. (d)

26. The following four sites (a - d) were being considered for the construction of an international airport. The species composition of the four sites are given below. Construction on which of the sites (a, b c and d) will not take a huge toll on biodiversity? **Biodiversity & Conservation (XII)**

| Site | Number of species in various categories | | | | |
|------|---|------------------|------|------------|---------|
| | Least concern | Uncertain status | Rare | Endangered | Endemic |
| (a) | 58 | 11 | 02 | 00 | 05 |
| (b) | 103 | 20 | 01 | 00 | 01 |
| (c) | 49 | 00 | 02 | 02 | 14 |
| (d) | 126 | 09 | 04 | 07 | 08 |

Ans. (b)

27. Which of the following features are mostly observed in self-pollinating flowers?

Sexual Reproductions in flowering plants (XII)

- i. Inconspicuous flowers.
- ii. Presence of nectaries.
- iii. No fragrance.
- iv Short style.
- v. Versatile anthers

- (a) i, iii and iv
- (b) only iii
- (c) ii and iv
- (d) iv and v

Ans. (a)

28. Apoptosis can be induced in a plant organ or the whole plant by a burst of :

Plant growth & development (XI)

- (a) Gibberellins.
- (b) Ethylene.
- (c) Cytokinins.
- (d) Auxin.

Ans. (b)

29. If unabsorbed by plants, nitrates may leach through soil into water bodies like river but ammonium ions are less likely to reach water bodies through soil because **Mineral nutrition (XI)**
- (a) Ammonium being a cation gets adsorbed by soil clay particles that are negatively charged.
 (b) Ammonium ions react with water to form ammonia and escape.
 (c) Ammonium ions are more readily absorbed by plants.
 (d) Ammonium nitrates are formed which do not dissolve in water and get precipitated.

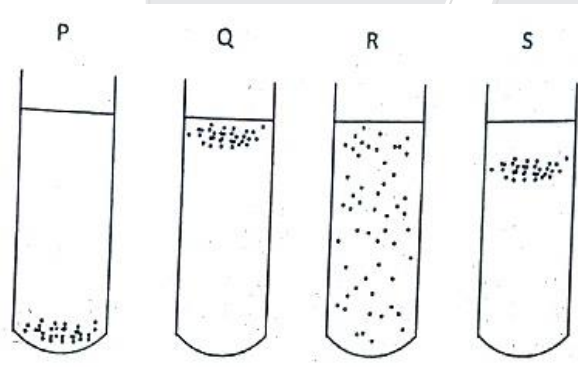
Ans. (a)

30. In corn plants, a dominant allele 'I' inhibits kernel colour, while the recessive allele 'i' permits colour. At a different locus, the dominant allele 'P' makes kernel purple while 'pp' makes kernels red. If plants heterozygous at both loci are crossed, what will be the phenotypic ratio of purple : : red : colourless? **Principle of inheritance & variation (XII)**

- (a) 3:1:12 (b) 12:4:0 (c) 9:4:3 (d) 3:4:9

Ans. (a)

31. The distribution of four types of bacteria grown in four different undisturbed tubes containing culture media is shown below. P, Q, R and S respective indicate: **Biological Classification (XI)**



- (a) Aerobes, anaerobes, facultative aerobes and microaerophilic organisms.
 (b) Anaerobes, aerobes, facultative aerobes and microaerophilic organisms.
 (c) Microaerophilic organisms, aerobes, anaerobes and facultative aerobes.
 (d) Anaerobes, aerobes, microaerophilic organisms and facultative aerobes.

Ans. (b)

32. A cross between a pea plant (*Pisum sativum*) with long stem and axial flower with short stem and terminal flowers produce twenty-one seeds. From these seeds, 11 plants grew into plants with long stem and axial flowers while 10 grew into short stem with axial flowers. The genotype of the parents must be. **Principle of inheritance & variation (XII)**

- (a) TTAA* ttaa (b) TtAA* ttaa (c) TTAa* ttAa (d) TtAA* ttAA

Ans. (b)

33. From a culture of mammalian cells, a cell in M phase is made to fuse with a second cell in G₁ phase. The second cell will go into: **Cell cycle & Cell division (XI)**

(a) S phase instantly. (b) M phase skipping S phase.
(c) M phase after quickly completing S phase. (d) G₂ phase after quickly completing S phase.

Ans. (b)

34. A man with Haemophilia has a daughter of normal phenotype. She marries a man who is not haemophilic. If the couple has four sons, what is the possibility that all four will be born haemophilic? **Principle of inheritance & variation (XII)**

(a) 1/4 (b) 1/32 (c) 1/16 (d) 1/8

Ans. (c)

35. A wild type fruit fly (heterozygous for grey body colour and normal wings) is mated with a black fly with vestigial wings. The offspring have the following phenotypic distribution: wild type = 998; black vestigial = 994; grey vestigial = 208; black normal = 200.

What is recombination frequency between the two given alleles?

Principle of inheritance & variation (XII)

(a) 17% (b) 15% (c) 20% (d) 25%

Ans. (a)

36. The percentage composition by volume of gases at various stages of respiration in humans is tabulated below. **Breathing & Exchange of gases (XI)**

| | P | Q | R |
|----------------|------|-------|------|
| Oxygen | 16.4 | 20.95 | 13.8 |
| Carbon dioxide | 4.0 | 0.04 | 5.5 |
| Nitrogen | 79.6 | 79.01 | 80.7 |

P, Q and R respectively represent:

(a) Expired air, alveolar air and inspired air. (b) Alveolar air, inspired air and expired air.
(c) Inspired air, alveolar air and expired air. (d) Expired air, inspired air and alveolar air.

Ans. (d)

37. Rejection of a transplant is an immune response of the type - **Human health and disease (XII)**

(a) B-lymphocyte mediated humoral.
(b) Humoral, helper T lymphocytes mediated.
(c) Cell mediated involving cytotoxic T lymphocytes.
(d) Cell mediated involving memory T lymphocytes.

Ans. (c)

38. Which of the following insects have 2 pairs of functional wings, shearing mouthparts and incomplete metamorphosis?

Animal kingdom (XI)

- (a) Butterfly (b) Mosquito (c) Cockroach (d) Dragonfly

Ans. (d)

39. According to finding from the Human Genome Project, there are about 25000 genes but there are many more different polypeptides. Which of the following processes might explain the discrepancy between number of genes and polypeptides?

Molecular basis of inheritance (XII)

1. Mutations.
2. Post-translational modifications.
3. Crossing over during meiosis.
4. Alternating splicing of RNA transcripts.

- (a) 1 & 2 (b) 2 & 4 (c) 1, 3 & 4 (d) 3 and 4

Ans. (b)

40. In comparison of the mountain goats adapted to climbing rather than running, similar- sized pronghorns that are adapted to run fast, have a 5 times greater rate of oxygen consumption. This is possible due to the following adaptations with an **exception of** :

Body fluids & Circulation (XI)

- (a) Larger surface area in the lungs
- (b) Greater cardiac output
- (c) Larger and more abundant erythrocytes
- (d) Higher volume and density of mitochondria

Ans. (c)

41. The following is a list of events in synthesis of protein from a DNA template.

- i. mRNA attaches to the ribosome.
- ii. The amino acid is attached to the growing polypeptide by a peptide bond.
- iii. mRNA migrates from the nucleus to the cytoplasm
- iv. An aminoacyl tRNA binds to its specific codon on mRNA.
- v. mRNA is transcribed from its DNA template.

Molecular basis of inheritance (XII)

Identify the correct sequence from the following options.

- (a) v - iii - i - iv - ii (b) v - ii - i - iii - iv (c) v - iii - iv - ii - i (d) v - iii - ii - iv - i

Ans. (a)

42. If a plant is made to grow in a solution of biogenic nutrients supplemented with cytokinins it will:

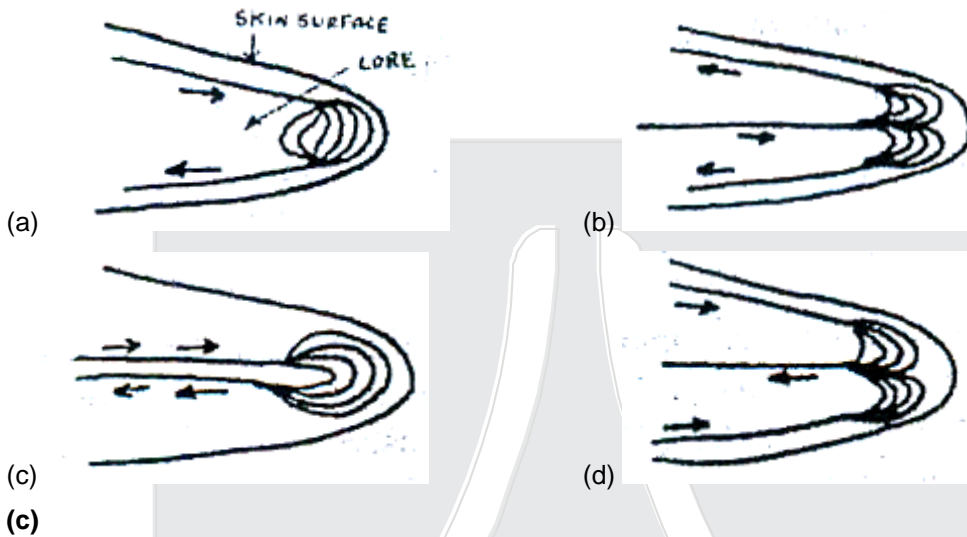
Plant growth & development (XI)

- (a) become stunted (b) become etiolated. (c) senescence faster (d) become bushy.

Ans. (d)

43. Porpoise (*Phocaena spp.*) is a group of small toothed whales found in Polar regions. The mammal is adapted to low temperature conditions. Following four schematic diagrams show possible arrangement of blood vessels in longitudinal section of their flippers. Which one of them is the most appropriate for maintaining optimum body temperature?

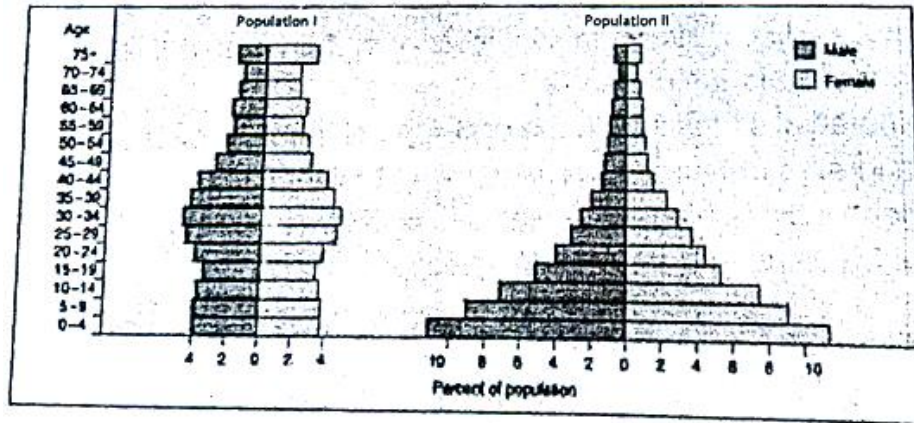
Body fluids & Circulation (XI)



Ans. (c)

44. The two graphs given below explain percent of human population present in each age group for different countries. The population survey has been carried out in year 1990. Which statement/s correctly describe/s the graphs?

Organisms and Population (XII)



- (a) Population I is related to poorly developed country while II is from highly developed country.
 (b) Population I shows that more births occurred during 1945 to 1964.
 (c) Population I has substantially higher percent population in age group 30-34 as compared to population II
 (d) Population II shows that female to male ratio is substantially reduces as the age increases.

Ans. (c)

45. To initiate the inflammatory response, histamine that trigger dilation and Increased permeability of nearby capillaries, is released by the injured cells in connective tissue called:

Human health & disease (XII)

- (a) Macrophage. (b) Fibroblasts (c) Chondrioblasts (d) Mast cells.

Ans. (d)

46. Lichens are known to be very sensitive to air pollution because they:

Plant Kingdom (XI)

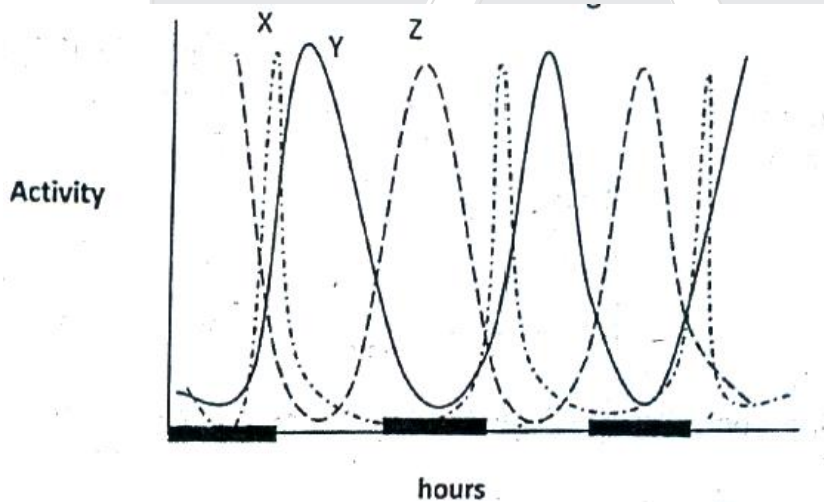
- (a) Fail to photosynthesise in high concentration of CO₂
 (b) Do not produce mucilage to buffer against toxic gases.
 (c) Are unable to excrete toxic substances they absorb.
 (d) Cannot reproduce in air polluted with suspended particulate matter.

Ans. (c)

47. Study of *Gonyaulax polyedra*, a dinoflagellate showed 3 peculiar diurnal cycles X, Y and Z. They respectively most likely represent:

Note that dark line in the graph indicates night.

Cell cycle & cell Division, Photosynthesis in higher plants (XI)



- (a) photosynthesis, respiration and luminescence.
 (b) cell division, photosynthesis and luminescence.
 (c) migration, respiration and luminescence.
 (d) reproduction, respiration and cell division.

Ans. (b)

48. Assume that weight of fruit is being influenced by alleles occupying different loci and that the minimum weight of fruit is 20g; with 2g being added by each dominant allele. If maximum weight is 36g, how many gene loci must be involved? **Principles of inheritance & variation (XII)**

- (a) 3 (b) 4 (c) 6 (d) 8

Ans. (b)

49. Bird like Albatross, spend month's at sea drinking sea water. Their osmoregulation strategy includes **Excretory products & their Elimination (XI)**

- i. Excreting salts through nasal glands.
- ii. Having uric acid as excretory material.
- iii. Having an active ornithine cycle
- iv. Having more juxta-glomerular nephrons in kidneys.

- (a) i & ii (b) i & iii (c) iii & iv (d) ii & iv

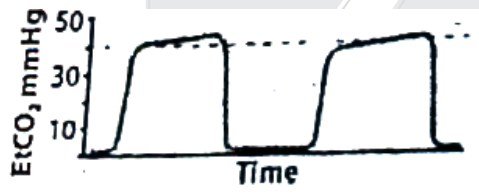
Ans. (b)

50. An inverted pyramid of biomass is expected for : **Ecosystem (XII)**

- (a) tropical rain forest (b) Grassland (c) open ocean (d) desert

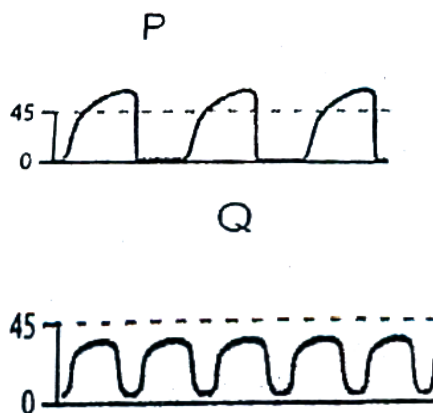
Ans. (c)

51. Carbon dioxide is a bye product of aerobic respiration. End Tidal CO₂ (Et CO₂) is maximal concentration of CO₂ at the end of exhaled breath. Normal wave of exhalation is shown below



The following types of waves P and Q respectively indicates:

Breathing & Exchange of gases (XI)



- (a) hypoventilation and bronchospasm (b) hyperventilation and asthma

- (c) bronchospasm and hyperventilation (d) bronchospasm and hypoventilation

Ans. (c)

52. On an average a climax ecosystem has more organic matter in the form of

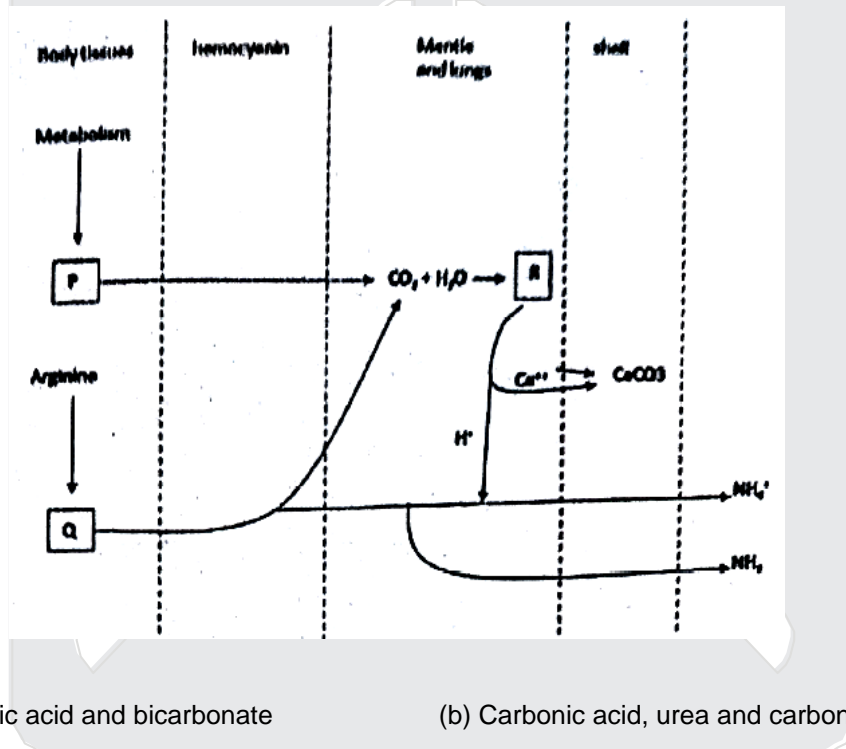
Ecosystem (XII)

- (a) Primary producers (b) consumers
(c) decomposers (d) dead organic biomass of all the above

Ans. (d)

53. Mechanism involved in volatilization of ammonia by land snail *Helix* is shown P, Q and R respectively indicate :

Excretory products & their Elimination (XI)



- (a) Urea, uric acid and bicarbonate (b) Carbonic acid, urea and carbonate
(c) ATP, arginase and bicarbonate (d) CO₂, urea and carbonic acid

Ans. (d)

54. A toad was offered bumble bees as food. The toad got stung by the bees. Subsequently the toad avoids feeding on insects with black and yellow colouration. This is an example of:

Organisms & Population (Animal Behavior) (XII)

- (a) Habituation (b) Sensitization
(c) Associative learning (d) Innate behavior

Ans. (c)

- (a) Tomato (b) Green pea (c) Cucumber (d) Bell pepper

Ans. (c)

59. In an enzyme catalyzed reaction, it is possible to reverse the inhibition of a reaction by increasing the substrate concentration in which of the following case/ cases? **Biomolecules (XI)**

- (a) Competitive inhibition (b) Non-competitive inhibition
(c) Uncompetitive inhibition (d) Allosteric inhibition

Ans. (a)

60. A proper illumination is necessary to observe details of specimen mounted on a slide while using compound light microscope. It is achieved with the help of mirror. The correct path of light during microscopic observation is : **Microscopy-Cell Biology (XI)**

- (a) Light source → Mirror → Condenser lens → iris diaphragm → Objective lens → specimen → Eye piece lens → Eye.
(b) Light source → Mirror → Iris diaphragm → Condenser lens → specimen → Objective lens → Eye piece lens → Eye.
(c) Light source → Condenser lens → Mirror → Iris diaphragm → specimen → Objective lens → Eyepiece lens → Eye.
(d) Light source → Mirror → Iris diaphragm → specimen → Condenser lens → Objective lens → Eye piece lens → Eye.

Ans. (b)

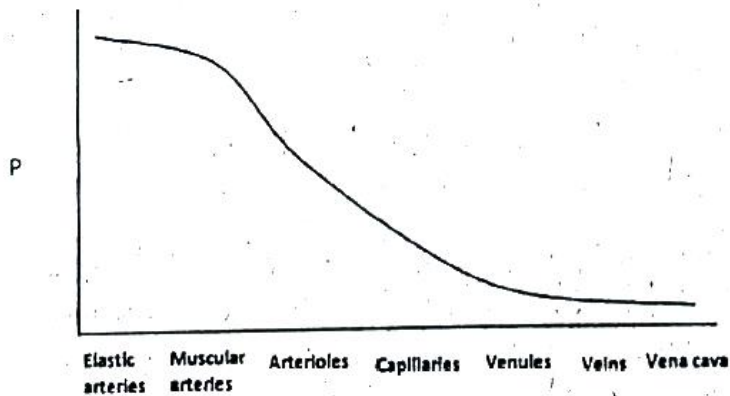
61. Rohit's teacher gave him a freshly prepared slide of a vertical section of some unknown plant sample, to observe. Rohit found some non-lignified cells which were longitudinally elongated and tapering at both the ends. These ends were overlapping with next cells. The cells showed clustered perforations which were distributed uniformly over the cell surface. There were no chloroplasts in these cells. The specimen most likely represented _____

Anatomy of flowering plants (XI)

- (a) Stem of Gymnosperm. (b) Leaf of monocot
(c) Root of dicot (d) Sporophyte of hornwort.

Ans. (c)

62. Human circulatory system is made up of complex network formed by arteries, arterioles, capillaries, venules and veins. The graph given below shows variation in parameter 'P' against different types of blood vessels. 'P' represents. **Body fluids & circulation (XI)**



- (a) Vessel diameter
(b) Total cross sectional area of vessels
(c) Average blood pressure
(d) Velocity of blood flow

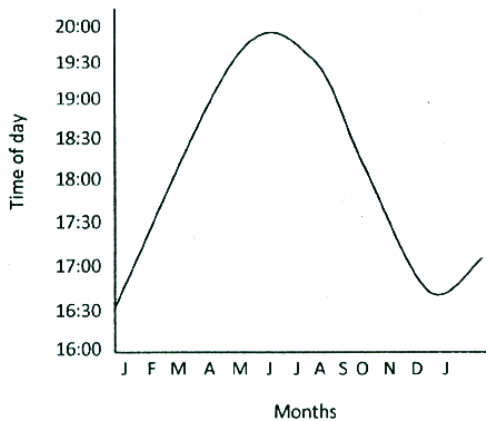
Ans. (c)

63. During one study on rate of decomposition, litterbag experiment was carried out on three tree species P, Q and R from same forest. In this experiment, 30 litterbags were filled with 5.0 gms of senescent leaf litter for each tree. These bags were made of fine mesh to allow decomposers to access litter but do not let the decomposing material to fall out. These bags were buried in the litter layer of the forest. During a year, five bags of each species were removed at 6 intervals and their contents were dried and weighed. At the end of the experiment, the percent of mass remaining was found to be 75%, 50% and 45% respectively for given three species. The most appropriate reason for this difference is: **Mineral Nutrition (XI)**

- (a) The moisture content of leaves of 'R' species must be higher than others.
(b) The lignin content in 'P' is maximum among all three species.
(c) The difference in types of decomposers involved in process leads to variation in rate of decomposition.
(d) The mass of dead decomposers also added in case of species 'P'.

Ans. (b)

64. Southern flying squirrel '*Glaucomys volans*' shows variation in their daily activity period throughout the year. As shown in the graph, the time of the day when squirrel becomes active varies considerably.
- Organisms & Population (Animal Behavior) (XII)**



The reason is:

- (a) The squirrel starts its daily activity with nightfall.
- (b) The delayed activity period in April-July corresponds to breeding season.
- (c) Higher temperature during day time in spring season leads to late beginning of activities.
- (d) The activity starts early at the beginning of the year due to more availability of food.

Ans. (c)

65. Following statements are made about Non-coding DNA. Mark the statement that is **INCORRECT**.
- Molecular basis of inheritance (XII)**

- (a) Non-coding DNA can be transcribed into functional non-coding RNA molecules
- (b) Non-coding DNA can contribute towards evolution of Genome.
- (c) Non-coding DNA may predispose individual to cancer.
- (d) Non-coding DNA can be the causative agent of Tuberculosis.

Ans. (d)

66. While cloning a Eukaryotic gene in Prokaryotic expression vector-

Molecular basis of inheritance (XII)

- (a) gene of interest is inserted in a cloning vector with active prokaryotic promoter.
- (b) mRNA of gene of interest is inserted in a cloning vector with active prokaryotic promoter.
- (c) cDNA of gene of interest is inserted in a cloning vector with active prokaryotic promoter.
- (d) gene of interest is inserted in a cloning vector with active prokaryotic enhancer sequence.

Ans. (c)

67. The number and types of vertebrae in a few mammals are tabulated below :

Locomotion & movement (XI)

| Types of vertebrae | Number of vertebrae | | |
|--------------------|---------------------|-----------|------------|
| | Animal I | Animal II | Animal III |
| (a) Cervical | 1 | 7 | 7 |
| (c) Thoracic | 7 (abdominal) | 12 | 13 |
| (d) Lumbar | | 5 | 6 |
| Sacral | 1 | 5 | 4 |
| (a) Caudal | 0 | 4 | 30 |

Animals I, II and III most likely are :

- (a) I : Human II : Frog III : Rat
 (b) I : Frog II : Human III : Rat
 (c) I : Human II : Rat III : Frog
 (d) I : Frog II : Rat III : Human

Ans. (b)

68. Taq DNA polymerase is routinely used in PCR, what is its unique property?

Molecular basis of inheritance (XII)

- (a) Taq DNA polymerase can polymerize ss DNA in 5' → 3' direction
 (b) Taq DNA polymerase can polymerize ss DNA in 3' → 5' direction
 (c) Taq DNA polymerase does not denature at high temperature.
 (d) Rate of DNA replication is much higher in presence of Taq DNA polymerase

Ans. (c)

69. In the famous experiments by Griffith, heat-killed smooth (S) strain of *Pneumococci* were mixed with the non-virulent rough (R) strain of *Pneumococci* and then injected into healthy mice (Experiment 1). In further experiments, the filtrate obtained by homogenizing the heat-killed smooth strain was treated with three different enzymes and then mixed with the non-virulent R strain. These mixtures were injected into healthy mice to study the effect (Experiments 2 – 4). The results of these experiments are given in the table below.

Molecular Basis of Inheritance (XII)

M, N and O could be :

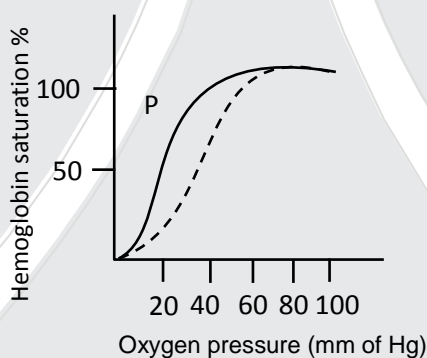
| Experiment | Heat-killed S strain treated with | Effect on mice after injecting the mixture of Heat-killed treated S and the non-virulent R strain |
|------------|-----------------------------------|---|
| 1 | No enzyme | Mouse died |
| 2 | Enzyme M | Mouse remained healthy |
| 3 | Enzyme N | Mouse died |
| 4 | Enzyme O | Mouse remained healthy |

- (a) DNAase ; RNAase; Protease
(b) Protease; DNAase; RNAase
(c) DNAase; Protease; Nuclease
(d) Lipase; DNAase; Protease

Ans. (c)

70. Oxygen-hemoglobin saturation curve can be obtained by plotting the amount of oxyhemoglobin present at different partial pressure of oxygen. The dashed line indicates the oxygen saturation curve obtained for a healthy individual (body temperature 37° C and blood pH 7.4)

Body Fluids & Circulation (XI)



In which of the following conditions, will the curves P be obtained?

- (a) pH 7.2 and temperature : 37°C
(b) pH 7.6 and temperature : 20°C
(c) pH 7.2 and temperature : 40°C
(d) pH 7.4 and temperature : 40°C

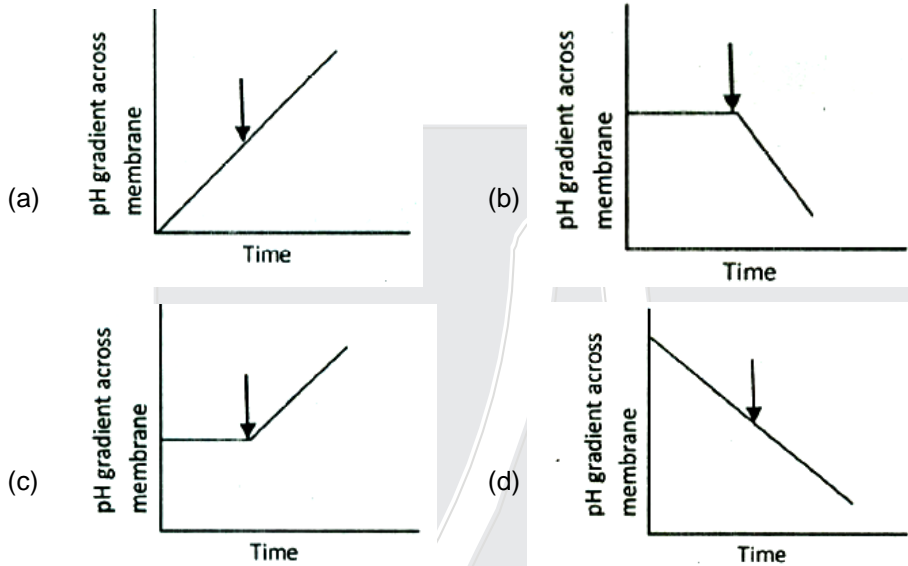
Ans. (b)

71. Which of the following is the property of a Stem cell? **Human Reproduction (XII)**

- (a) They can differentiate into all possible types of cells and are found only in embryonic tissue.
(b) They can differentiate into other types of cells and they are capable of dividing and renewing themselves for long periods.
(c) Stem cells are unspecialized and they cannot be grown in laboratory conditions.
(d) All the above

Ans. (b)

72. In an experiment to study the effect of a certain compound 'X' actively respiring plant cells were treated with 'X' after some time of the start of the experiment. The pH gradient across the mitochondrial membrane was monitored throughout the experiment. Compound X was known to specifically target mitochondrial ATP synthase and lead to complete inhibition of the enzyme. Which of the following graphs would be the expected outcome of this experiment? The arrow in the graph indicates the time of addition of compound 'X'. **Cellular respiration (XI)**



Ans. (c)

73. Colorimetry has widest application in biological science. While measuring the growth (rate) of a bacterial culture, which phenomenon is taken into consideration?
- Absorption of light by the bacterial media.
 - Absorption of a specific wavelength of light by the bacterial cells.
 - Scattering of light by the bacterial cells.

Mark the correction option.

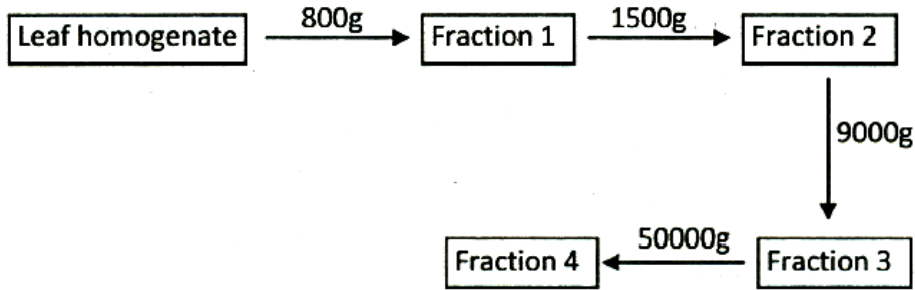
Spectroscopy (Cell cycle & cell division) (XI)

- (a) i and ii (b) ii and iii (c) i only (d) iii only

Ans. (b)

74. Ananya wanted to isolate and study organelles involved in packaging and transporting of proteins to various locations in a cell. Her colleague had carried out the following experiment she ground a piece of spinach leaves and carried out differential centrifugation. A scheme of the protocol she followed along with centrifugation speed (in g) at every step is given below :

Cell : the unit of life (XI)



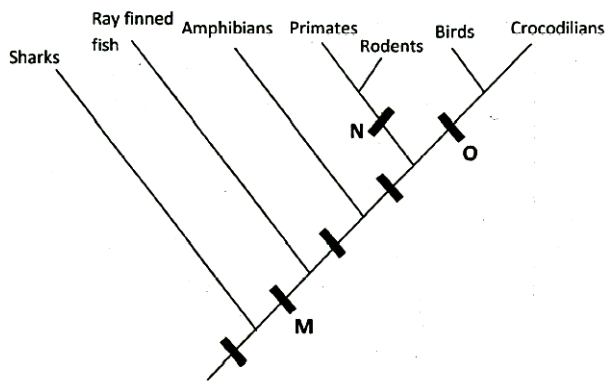
The fraction that would give Ananya the purified fraction of the organelle of her interest would be :

- (a) 1 (b) 2 (c) 3 (d) 4

Ans. (c)

75. Classification of few animals is shown in the cladogram. The characters M, N and O respectively represent :

Origin & Evolution (XII)



- (a) Vertebrae, sweat glands, amniotic egg. (b) Bony skeleton, hair, eggs with shell.
 (c) Vertebrae, amniotic egg, feathers (d) Notochord, four legs, amniotic eggs

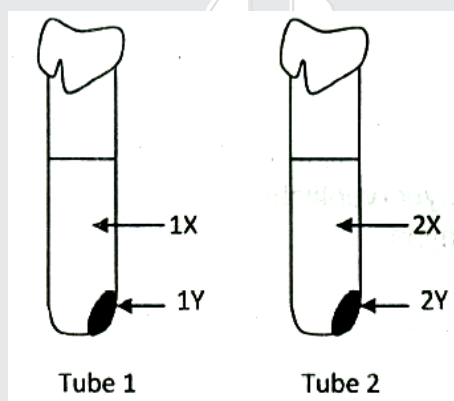
Ans. (b)

76. In an experiment to test the component of a bacteriophage that might be the hereditary material that enters a bacterial cell to direct the assembly of new viruses, the following two experiments were performed :

Experiment 1 : Virus were labeled with radioactive phosphorus (^{32}P) → labeled virus were allowed to infect unlabeled bacteria → mixture was agitated to detach viruses from bacterial cells → centrifugation was carried out to form bacterial pellet while viruses remained in the supernatant as indicated in tube 1.

Experiment 2 : Virus were labeled with radioactive sulfur (^{35}S) → labeled virus were allowed to infect unlabeled bacteria → mixture was agitated to detach viruses from bacterial cells → centrifugation was carried out to form bacterial pellet while viruses remained in the supernatant as indicated by tube 2.

Molecular basis of inheritance (XII)



Radioactive ^{32}P and ^{35}S are expected to be found maximally in which of the following parts of the tubes?

- (a) 1X and 2X (b) 1Y and 2X (c) 1Y and 2Y (d) 1X and 2Y

Ans. (b)

77. Pure water seems to be colorless in visible region of the electromagnetic spectrum. This is because :

Biomolecules (XI)

- (a) When a beam of visible light falls on it, the energy spectrum does not cause any change in the molecule.
 (b) No energy is absorbed.
 (c) Water molecules lack chromophore.
 (d) All of the above

Ans. (a)

78. A living, colorless, unstained organism can be best viewed using :

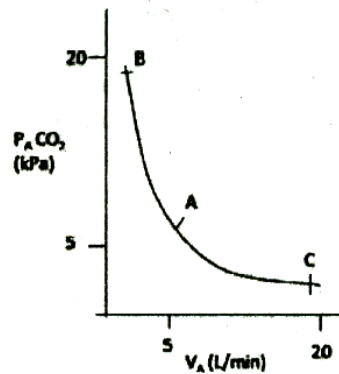
Microscopy Cell : the unit of life (XI)

- (a) Brightfield light microscope. (b) Darkfield light microscope.
 (c) Fluorescent microscope. (d) Scanning electron microscope.

Ans. (b)

79. The graph depicts the relationship between alveolar ventilation and partial pressure of carbon dioxide in alveolar air. Regions AB and AC respectively represent :

Breathing & exchange of gases (XI)



- (a) acidosis and alkalosis. (b) acidosis and hypoventilation.
(c) alkalosis and hyperventilation. (d) alkalosis and hypoventilation.

Ans. (c)

80. Some bacteria form a slimy, viscous layer covering the cell wall. This layer is known as capsule. These capsules are beneficial to the bacteria because :

Cell : the unit of life (XI)

- (i) they attract other bacteria to form colonies.
(ii) they enable bacteria to stick to the surface.
(iii) capsules contain water which protects the bacteria against dessication.

- (a) i and ii only (b) ii and iii only (c) iii only (d) I, ii and iii

Ans. (b)