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※ 注意:請用 2B 鉛筆作答於答案卡,並先詳閱答案卡上之「畫記說明」。

Please choose the most appropriate terms/phrases/statements that complete or answer the questions.

Attention: More than one of the choices provided may be correct. (2.5 points for each question)

- 1. Metastasis of malignant cells is a complex process involving many steps of
- (A) Decreased expression of cadherin on the cancer cells
- (B) Increased production pf prostaglandin E2 by vascular endothelial cells
- (C) Decreased production of nitric oxide by blood vessel endothelium
- (D) Increased degradation of extracellular matrix by cancer cells
- (E) Down-regulation of MHC class I molecules on cancer cells
- 2. Which statements regarding physiological functions of cytokines are true?
- (A) Increased renal blood flow
- (B) Modulation of immune responses
- (C) Angiogenesis
- (D) Hematopoiesis
- (E) Decreased energy demand of the body
- 3. Production of acute phase reactants by hepatocytes is induced by
- (A) Sex hormones
- (B) Microbial infections
- (C) Allergic reactions
- (D) Mental stress
- (E) TNF-α stimulation
- 4. Inflammatory reactions can be elicited by
- (A) Thermal injury
- (B) Viral infections
- (C) Irradiation
- (D) Chemical burn
- (E) Allergy
- 5. Nitric oxide exerts an array of physiological and pathological effects on the body including
- (A) Vasodilation
- (B) Inhibition of leukocyte adhesion to vascular wall
- (C) Immunomodulation
- (D) Enhancement of phagocytosis
- (E) Modulation of cyclo-oxygenase pathway
- 6. Which molecules involve in cell apoptois?
- (A) Phospholipases
- (B) Protein tyrosine phosphatases
- (C) Endonucleases
- (D) Neutral esterases

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- (E) Caspases
- 7. Which molecules act as cytoplasmic signal transducers in the cells?
- (A) Protein kinase C
- (B) STATs
- (C) Na⁺-K⁺-ATPase
- (D) Ca2+
- (E) NF-κB
- 8. Which pairings in the below are correct for the biological functions of cytoplasmic organelles
- (A) Proteosome -- peptide degradation
- (B) Endosome--proteins and lipids sorting
- (C) Peroxisome—breakdown of oxidative products of amino acids
- (D) Polysome—digestion of phagocytosed microbes
- (E) Ribosome—protein synthesis
- 9. Normal human plasma contains many protein molecules including
- (A) Amyloid substances
- (B) Cellulose
- (C) Cryoglobulin
- (D) Fibronectin
- (E) Ferritin
- 10. Which immune reactions are mediated by cellular immunity?
- (A) Transfusion reaction
- (B) Tumor cell killing
- (C) Allograft rejection
- (D) Defense against intracellular pathogens
- (E) Complement-mediated tissue damage
- 11. Which of the following statements is/are true?
- (A) Translation of an mRNA may be regulated at the level of its stability.
- (B) The half-life of an mRNA is largely translation dependent.
- (C) Translation process may be blocked by actinomycin D.
- (D) Translation of an mRNA may be regulated by ~22 nucleotide microRNAs.
- (E) Translation of an mRNA depends on the dynamic assembly of mRNPs.
- 12. Which of the following statements is/are false?
- (A) A particulate enzyme usually depends on phospholipids for its activity.
- (B) Secreted proteins are usually not phosphorylated.
- (C) Secreted proteins contain carbohydrates usually have short half-life.
- (D) Albumin may serve as carrier for steroid hormones and fatty acids.
- (E) The activity of a protein is determined co-translationally.

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13. Which of the following statements is/are false?

- (A) During mitosis, the correct microtubule arrangement that persists is the one in which sister kinetochores are attached to opposite poles.
- (B) Embryonic stem (ES) cells are derived form the primodial germ cells and can potentially develop into all types of tissue.
- (C) Spermatid derives from division of secondary spermatocytes.
- (D) Spermatid DNA is transcriptionally active.
- (E) Protamines are important for spermatid elongation.
- 14. A semi-permeable membrane separates a solution of sodium proteinate (0.001M) from a solution of 0.01M NaCl. If the membrane is permeable to NaCl, but not to the protein anion, how many moles of salt (per liter) will move across the membrane?
- (A) 0.0099
- (B) 0.0090
- (C) 0.0072
- (D) 0.0052
- (E) 0.0048.
- 15. Which of the following statements is/are true?
- (A) The optimal pH for an enzyme means that the quaternary structure of that enzyme is pH-dependent.
- (B) The molecular weight of a functional protein can be determined by SDS-PAGE.
- (C) The functional activity of a protein is spatial and temporal dependent.
- (D) The activity of a protein depends on its interaction with other proteins.
- (E) The correct disulfide linkage of a protein is formed after translation.
- 16. Which of the following statements is/are false?
- (A) The final shape of a protein is determined by only one thing: the precise sequence of amino acids in the protein.
- (B) Prion diseases (e.g., "mad-cow" disease) are likely resulted from a failure of chaperones.
- (C) Trans peptide bonds before proline residues are often located at the first residue of certain types of tight turns in the protein backbone.
- (D) The cleavage of the four-residue peptide Ala-Ala-Pro-Phe by chymotrypsin may be accelerated by prolyl isomerase.
- (E) Heat shock proteins (HSP) are a group of proteins whose expression is transcriptionally regulated.
- 17. Which of the following statements is/are true?
- (A) During protein synthesis, all peptide bonds are synthesized in the cis configuration.
- (B) The prolyl peptide bonds of a denatured protein can isomerize to trans.
- (C) The segment of a protein with the sequence, NH2-LRKEDPYTSPVLDHCNRM-COOH is likely to reside in the loop region of that protein.
- (D) The peptide, GNCRLDSKTVQFYE, has one potential phosphorylation site.
- (E) The peptide, PNCRLDSKTVQFYE, has one potential acetylation site.
- 18. Which of the following statements is/are true?

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- (A) Centromere is transcriptionally inactive.
- (B) Selfish genes are dispersed into both euchromatin and heterochromatin regions.
- (C) DNA methylation and histone methylation are tightly linked.
- (D) DNA methylation is a priori for heterochromatin formation.
- (E) Iron deficiency may affect the histone modification.
- 19. Which of the following statements is/are true?
- (A) X-inactivation may be mediated by RNAs encoded by X chromosomes.
- (B) The sequence of mRNA transcribed from the double stranded DNA,
- 5'-GATCGGTAAGTTCCCATACCTGTGA-3' (upper strand), is
- 5'-GAUCGGTAAGTTCCCAUACCUGUGA-3'.
- (C) Suppose that a suppressor RNA can be transcribed from the double stranded DNA
- 5'-GATCGGTAAGTTCCCATACCTGTGA-3' (upper strand), its sequence would be
- 5'-CUAGCCAUUCAAGGGUAUGGUCACU-3'.
- (D) Reverse transcriptase can be inhibited by anisomycin.
- (E) RNA is easier precipitated in the ethanol when 0.1 M NaCl is present than no NaCl at all.
- 20. Which of the following statements is/are true?
- (A) Velocity-type ultracentrifugation is frequently employed for DNA purification.
- (B) Phenyl-Sepharose is an anionic exchanger.
- (C) The buoyant density of RNA is higher than DNA.
- (D) Salt concentration is unimportant for gel filtration chromatography.
- (E) Nuclear proteins can be extracted by high salt buffer in conjunction with acetone powder technique.
- 21. Which animals are frequently used as a model system to do biomedical researches?
- (A) Mice
- (B) Zebrafish
- (C) C. elegans
- (D) Earth worms
- (E) Drosophila
- 22. In terms of molecular weight which order is CORRECT?
- (A) dsDNA (10 kb)> dsRNA (10 kb)> Protein> Amino Acid
- (B) dsRNA (10 kb)> dsDNA (10 kb)> Protein> Amino Acid
- (C) Protein> dsDNA (10 kb)> dsRNA (10 kb)> Amino Acid
- (D) Protein> dsRNA (10 kb)> dsDNA (10 kb)> Amino Acid
- (E) Protein>Amino Acid> dsDNA (10 kb)> dsRNA (10 kb)
- 23. Signal transduction is critical for cells to respond to various stimuli. Which statements regarding to signal transduction are CORRECT?
- (A) Conformational changes of receptors on the cells occur upon ligand binding
- (B) Post-translational modifications of signal mediators are accompanied by the change of receptor conformation
- (C) Proteins can be recruited to the receptors after the modifications

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- (D) Transcriptional factors are eventually activated and translocated into nucleus
- (E) Downstream genes are induced by the end of the signaling
- 24. Cell cycle progression is in a well controlled manner. Which statements regarding to cell cycle are CORRECT?
- (A) Cell cycle can be divided into four phases, namely G1, S and G2/M
- (B) Cells in G2/M phase contain 2N DNA
- (C) CDKs and cyclins are critical molecules for regulating cell cycle progression
- (D) Tumor cells are usually in G1 phase
- (E) UV irradiation will result in cell cycle arrest
- 25. Which statements regarding to X-linked diseases are CORRECT?
- (A) The causative gene is located in Y-chromosome
- (B) Such diseases are frequently found in male individuals
- (C) The disease found in children is inherited from their mother
- (D) It is usually fetal
- (E) The inheritance of the disease is still following the Mendelian law
- 26. Influenza virus infection in humans are one of the most common diseases because
- (A) It spreads via aerosol route
- (B) Humans have no immunity to this virus
- (C) Influenza virus can change its genome from time to time
- (D) Influenza virus can escape or evade immune responses
- (E) It is difficult to make vaccines to influenza virus due to its genomic instability
- 27. Program cell death or apoptosis is important during development and for maintaining homeostasis. Which statements regarding to apoptosis are CORRECT?
- (A) Apoptosis can be triggered by external or internal stimuli
- (B) It only happens in vertebrate but not in invertebrate animals
- (C) Caspases and Bcl-2 family members are key regulators for apoptosis
- (D)DNA fragmentation is one feature of apoptosis
- (E) Phosphatidylserine is exposing to outer leaflet of the plasma membrane when cells are undergoing apoptosis
- 28. Regarding to protein synthesis in a cell which statements are CORRECT?
- (A) Proteins are synthesized in the nucleus of a cell
- (B) Each amino acid is encoded by one or more codons
- (C) Usually protein sequence begins with Met because the start codon is AGG
- (D) Termination of translation happens when a ribosome reaches a stop codon such as UGA
- (E) A mutation in the coding region resulting in formation of a stop codon is called silent mutation
- 29. Regarding to microscopy which statements are CORRECT?
- (A) Phase-contrast microscopy are used to view the details of live, unstained cells
- (B) When using fluorescent microscope, one needs to wear glasses to avoid the injury of the fluorescent light



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emitted from the samples

- (C) Confocal microscopy gets a sharper fluorescent images than that in regular fluorescent microscope
- (D) Inverted microscope is used for viewing cultured cells in a dish because it has greater working distance than that in regular microscope
- (E) Electronic microscopy can generate the largest magnification of the image of a sample
- 30. Which ones are commonly used as a reporter gene in basic researches?
- (A) GFP
- (B) Luciferase
- (C) B-actin
- (D) α-tubulin
- (E) Albumin
- 31. Methods apply polymerase chain reaction
- (A) Yeast two-hybrid
- (B) Mutagenesis of a gene
- (C) Western blotting
- (D) Real-Time PCR
- (E) ELISA.
- 32. Which properties of gene-knockout mouse are true?
- (A) Gene introduced into genome by random insertion
- (B) Gene introduced into genome by homologous recombination
- (C) Gene introduced into genome by equilibrium insertion-recombination
- (D) Gene study for gain of function
- (E) Gene study for loss of function.
- 33. In controlling gene expression, the N-terminal tails of histones are modified by
- (A) Acetylationn
- (B) Alkylation
- (C) Methylation
- (D) Phosphorylation
- (E) Sulfution.
- 34. Methods are used to reveal apoptotic cells
- (A) TUNEL assay
- (B) Annexin V staining assay
- (C) RNA interference (RNAi)
- (D) Propidium iodide (PI) staining assay
- (E) Coombs tests
- 35. Which of the following genetic triplet codes are termination codons?
- (A) AUG
- (B) UAA

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- (D) UCC
- (E) UGA.
- 36. Which of the following statements about cancer and oncogenes are true?
- (A) Tumor cells are immortalized
- (B) Tumor cells are transformed
- (C) Transforming viruses carry oncogens
- (D) ras genes are oncogenes
- (E) p53 is a oncoprotein.
- 37. Which of the following events in signal transduction are mediated by receptor tyrosine kinase?
- (A) Ligand-mediated receptor dimerization
- (B) Activation of SHP-1 and SHP-2
- (C) Activation of signal mediators
- (D) Activation of transcription factors
- (E) Translocation of transcription factors into nucleus and transactivation.
- 38. Which of following small nuclear RNAs (snRNAs) are involved for splicing?
- (A) U1
- (B) U2
- (C) U4
- (D) U5
- (E) U6.
- 39. Which of the following statements about enhancers are correct?
- (A) An enhancer activates the nearest promoter to it
- (B) An enhancer can be located only at the downstream of the promoter
- (C) Enhancers contain the same elements found at promoters
- (D) Enhancers work by decreasing the concentration of activators near the promoters
- (E) Enhancers can work as insulators.
- 40. Which of the followings are the stages of RNA polymerase mediated transcription?
- (A) Template recognition
- (B) Initiation
- (C) Elongation
- (D) Polyadenylation
- (E) Termination.