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COURSE CODE AND TITLE: BSN 123: Medical Physiology II

DATE: 7TH APRIL 2026

Duration: 2 HOURS

Start: 9 AM

Finish: 11 PM

INSTRUCTIONS

1. This exam is out of 70 marks
2. This Examination comprises THREE Sections. Section I: Multiple Choice Questions (20 marks) Section II: Short Answer Questions (30 marks) and Section III: Long Answer Questions (20 marks)
3. Answer ALL Questions.
4. Do Not write anything on the question paper -use the back of your booklet for rough work if need be.

SECTION I: MULTIPLE CHOICE QUESTIONS

20 MARKS

1. As menstruation ends estrogen levels in the blood rise rapidly. What is the source of the estrogen?
 - a) Corpus luteum
 - b) Developing follicles
 - c) Endometrium
 - d) Stromal cells of the ovaries Gonadotropin-releasing hormone from the embryo's hypothalamus
2. Which of the following reflect a difference in males and females
 - a. Hypothalamus has different patterns of hormonal secretion
 - b. The pituitary glands secrete different gonadotropic hormones
 - c. Blood gonadotropin levels do not raise later in life
 - d. Polymorphs show 'drumsticks' of chromatins in their nucleus
3. The hormone that relaxes the myometrium?

- a. HCG
 - b. Oxytocin
 - c. Progesterone
 - d. Estriol
4. Testes removal in an adult lead to
- a. A fall in blood levels of LH and FSH
 - b. Loss of ability to copulate
 - c. Loss of libido
 - d. Voice pitch is raised
5. The correct sequence of spermatogenic stages leading to the formation of sperms in a mature human testis is
- a. Spermatogonia-spermatid-spermatocyte-sperms
 - b. Spermatocyte-spermatogonia-spermatid-sperms
 - c. Spermatogonia-spermatocyte-spermatid-sperms
 - d. Spermatid-spermatocyte-spermatogonia-sperms
6. Hormone is secreted by the anterior pituitary gland:
- a) TRH
 - b) CRH
 - c) Vasopressin
 - d) TSH
7. A ten-year-old boy has high levels of the growth hormone. He is likely to develop:
- a. Acromegaly
 - b. Hyperglycemia
 - c. Mental retardation
 - d. Muscle atrophy
8. Stimuli for aldosterone regulation includes:
- a) High sodium in the distal renal tubule
 - b) High serum potassium
 - c) Hypervolemia
 - d) ACTH as a potent stimulator
9. Thyroid hormone actions include:
- a) Augmentation of sympathetic effect on GI motility
 - b) Release of insulin
 - c) Lipogenesis
 - d) Increasing the numbers of Beta-adrenergic receptors
10. The following can be observed in a patient who has Grave's disease (hyperthyroidism):
- a) Drop of the upper eyelid
 - b) Intolerance to cold
 - c) High systolic blood pressure
 - d) Constipation
11. Gastric emptying:
- a) Is slowest if the food is soft and rich in carbohydrates.
 - b) Is inhibited by excessive fat.

- c) Is accelerated by presence of hypertonic acidity in the duodenum
 - d) Is delayed by distension of the stomach and by vagal stimulation
12. A dietary component that enhances calcium uptake?
- a) Protein
 - b) Oxalates
 - c) Iron
 - d) Vitamin D
13. Cholecystokinin (CCK) inhibits
- a) Gastric emptying
 - b) Pancreatic HCO₃ secretion
 - c) Pancreatic enzyme secretion
 - d) Contraction of the gallbladder
14. The following abolishes “receptive relaxation” of the stomach?
- a) Parasympathetic stimulation
 - b) Sympathetic stimulation
 - c) Vagotomy
 - d) Administration of gastrin
15. Substances released from neurons in the GI tract and produces smooth muscle relaxation?
- a) Secretin
 - b) Gastrin
 - c) Cholecystokinin (CCK)
 - d) Vasoactive intestinal peptide (VIP)
16. Glucose reabsorption occurs in the:
- a. Proximal tubule
 - b. Loop of Henle
 - c. distal tubule
 - d. cortical collecting system
17. Substance NOT actively secreted into the tubular lumen by the proximal renal tubule?
- a) urate
 - b) para-amino hippuric acid
 - c) catecholamines
 - d) sodium
18. The thin ascending loop of Henle is:
- a) Relatively permeable to water
 - b) Relatively impermeable to sodium ion
 - c) permeable to both water and sodium ion
 - d) relatively impermeable to water
19. Patients with renal disease and dialysis are normally anemic. Which below explains the anemia.
- a) Reduced production of erythropoietin
 - b) Reduced production of thrombopoietin
 - c) Reduced vitamin D absorption
 - d) Absence of renal prostaglandins.

20. Amino acids are almost completely reabsorbed from the glomerular filtrate via active transport in the:
- Proximal tubule
 - Loop of Henle
 - Distal tubule
 - Collecting duct

SECTION II: SHORT ANSWER QUESTION (SAQ) (30 MARKS)

- State the functions of the Sertoli cells (5 Marks)
- State nerve supply to the GIT and how each affects GIT function (5 Marks)
- Briefly discuss hormonal changes during a normal menstrual cycle (8 marks)
- With examples state three classes of hormones (5 Marks)
- Explain factors that influence glomerular filtration rate (7marks)

SECTION III: LONG ANSWER QUESTION (LAQ) (20 MARKS)

- Carbohydrates digestion and metabolism is important in energy generation in the body
 - Discuss different enzymes in carbohydrate digestion (10 Marks)
 - Outline carbohydrate absorption (5 Marks)
 - Explain one carbohydrate digestion clinical correlate (5 Marks)