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BIO G512: MOLECULAR MECHANISMS OF GENE EXPRESSION

Surprise Quiz 2 (Closed-Book)

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Duration: 20 Minutes

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ ID No. \_\_\_\_\_

***Please circle or write the most appropriate answer (10 x 1=10 marks)***

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**The answers are marked or written in bold font**

1. When DNA replication proceeds bidirectionally from a point of replication initiation, which of the following statements are true.

I. DNA replication of leading strand takes place in 5'-3' direction

II. DNA replication of lagging strand takes place in 3'-5' direction

III. The strand which acts as leading strand for replication in one direction will not act as leading strand for replication proceeding in the opposite direction

a) I and II only      b) II and III only      **c) I and III only**      d) All of the above

2. Which of the following statements in general are true?

I. Gain-of-function mutation in a tumor suppressor gene could lead to cancer

II. Gain-of-function mutation in a protooncogene gene could lead to cancer

III. Loss-of-function mutation in a tumor suppressor gene could lead to cancer

IV. Loss-of-function mutation in a protooncogene could lead to cancer

a) I & III      **b) II & III**      c) I & IV      d) II & IV

3. Based on partial sequences given, which of the following CANNOT be a 12 bp palindromic sequence?

a) GCCGCCG      b) TAATAAT      **c) ATTCATT**      d) GCGATTA

4. In creating 'Phosphomimics' amino acid \_\_\_\_\_ (I) \_\_\_\_\_ is replaced by amino acid \_\_\_\_\_ (II) \_\_\_\_\_.

Among the given pool of amino acids, pick one amino acid each for (I) and (II).

Given amino acids are: Tyrosine, Glutamate, Aspartate, Serine

Answer: **(I) Tyrosine or Serine**

**(II) Glutamate or Aspartate**

5. Which of the following epigenetic marks in general are associated with transcriptional gene silencing in eukaryotes?

I. Deacetylation      II. Cytosine methylation of promoters

III. Specific Histone Lysine methylation

a) I and II only      b) II and III only      c) I and III only      **d) All the above**

6. Known DNA polymerases have been shown to possess which of the following activities?

I. 5' to 3' polymerase activity      II. 5' to 3' exonuclease activity

III. 3' to 5' polymerase activity      IV. 3'-5' exonuclease activity

a) I, II and III      b) II, III and IV      **c) I, II and IV**      d) I, III and IV

7. Assume that an autosomal gene G is genomically imprinted in father but not in mother. Then which of the following is/are true for this couple?

- I. Their son will receive one copy of the imprinted G gene but not their daughter
  - II. Their daughter will receive one copy of the imprinted G gene but not their son
  - III. Both their son and daughter will receive one copy of imprinted gene G
  - IV. All children of their daughter will receive one copy of imprinted gene G (assume that their daughter's son is not contributing any imprinted gene)
- a) I and IV                      b) II and IV                      c) III and IV                      **d) III only**

8. Which of the following is true about an insulator?

- a) The effect of an insulator may result in silencing of the gene which it is insulating
- b) The effect of an insulator may result in expression of the gene which it is insulating
- c) The effect of an insulator may result either in expression or silencing of the gene which it is insulating**
- d) Insulator has no effect on the expression of the gene which it is insulating

9. Assume that DNA polymerase called DP1 is used to synthesize 5 Kb long DNA, similarly DP2 to synthesize 10 Kb long DNA and DP3 to synthesize 15 Kb long DNA. The number of point mutations (base-pair substitutions) found for DP1, DP2 and DP3 were 5, 9 and 16, respectively. Then the correct ranking of the three polymerases based on their fidelity is:

- a) DP1>DP2>DP3                      **b) DP2>DP1>DP3**                      c) DP3>DP2>DP1                      d) DP1=DP2=DP3

10. Which of the following is correct about DNA methylation based on what has been known so far?

- I. Cytosine methylation is more common in eukaryotes than in prokaryotes
  - II. Cytosine methylation is more common in prokaryotes than in eukaryotes
  - III. Adenine methylation is more common in prokaryotes than in eukaryotes
  - IV. Adenine methylation is more common in eukaryotes than in prokaryotes
- a) I and III**                      b) I and IV                      c) II and III                      d) III and IV