

SECTION "B" (80 Marks)

Q.2 Long Answer Question (Compulsory) -

(12m X 1 = 12)

a) Discuss the metabolism of Cholesterol under the following -

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| i) Biosynthesis | (5) |
| ii) Degradation | (3) |
| iii) Regulation | (2) |
| iv) Role in atherosclerosis | (2) |

Q.3 Short Answer Questions (All Compulsory) -

(4m X 5 = 20)

Give reasons for the following -

- Iron is a one-way element.
 - Patients of iron deficiency anaemia show apathy (disinterest in surrounding) as a common symptom.
- Lp(a) is associated with heart attacks.
 - SR-B1 has dual role in HDL metabolism.
- B12 deficiency is manifested as demyelination.
 - B12 deficiency is also associated with homocystinuria.
- Excessive ingestion of alcohol leads to hypoglycemia.
 - Alcohol intake is the most common cause of fatty liver.
- Creatine supplementation during intense exercise requires increase fluid intake.
 - Niacin deficiency may also be seen in carcinoid syndrome.

Q.4 Short Answer Questions (Any 4 out of 5) -

(5m X 4 = 20)

- Discuss the important specialized products from tyrosine.
- Describe and discuss commitment to lifelong learning as an important part of physician growth.
- A 5-day-old male neonate presented with convulsions. Clinical evaluation revealed a characteristic burnt sugar odor in the urine. Rothera's test was positive. On further inquiry, the mother reported that a previous sibling had died on the 15th day of life under similar circumstances.

 - What is the probable diagnosis? (1)
 - Name the enzyme that is deficient in this condition. (1)
 - Explain why the milder variant of this disorder responds to thiamine supplementation. (2)
 - What causes the characteristic burnt sugar odor in the urine? (1)
- A 11-year-old boy presented to the OPD with complaints of abdominal pain and generalized tiredness. Clinical examination revealed yellowish discoloration of the sclera and dark-colored urine. Moderate hepatomegaly was noted on abdominal palpation. Ophthalmic examination showed a greenish-brown ring at the corneal margins.

Blood investigations revealed -

Bilirubin - 3.5mg/dl (n=0.1 to 1.0 mg/dl; Serum copper - 90µg/100ml (n=100-128 µg/100ml)

Serum ceruloplasmin - 18mg/100ml 25-45 mg/100ml

 - What is the probable diagnosis? (1)
 - Describe the biochemical defect in this disorder (1)
 - What is the therapy administered in this disorder & why? (2)
 - The greenish brown discoloration of the cornea! margin is referred to as. (1)

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- c) Describe the biochemical functions of Vitamin C. Biochemically explain why hemorrhagic tendency and anemia are deficiency manifestations of it. (2.5 + 2.5)

Q.5 Short Answer Questions (Any 4 out of 5) -

(7m X 4 = 28)

- a) Discuss the biochemical pathway of ketogenesis. Add a note on the regulation. (5+2)
b) Describe the Hexose Monophosphate Shunt pathway. Add a note on the physiological & clinical significance of the pathway (5+2)
c) Discuss the homeostasis of blood calcium levels.
d) What is transamination. Give one suitable example. What is the biological significance of transamination? Explain the clinical application of transamination estimation. (1+1+3+2)
e) Describe the hormonal regulation of plasma glucose. Give the American Diabetic Association diagnostic criteria for the metabolic disease due to the deficiency of insulin. Add a note on modern GTT. (3+2+2)

Insulin Glucagon Epinephrine ACTH Cortisol
Thyroid hormones -