1.14 Male Reproductive System

530. Primordial germ cells of both males and females first appear in the:

- (a) celomic epithelium
- (b) mesenchyme that surrounds the sex cords
- (c) wall of the yolk sac
- (d) allantois
- (e) amnion

531. The interstitial tissue of the testis contains:

- (a) a rich blood supply
- (b) fenestrated capillaries
- (c) an extensive network of lymphatic vessels
- (d) Sertoli cells
- (e) Leydig cells

532. Leydig cells:

- (a) develop from epithelium
- (b) are rich in smooth endoplasmic reticulum
- (c) secrete testosterone
- (d) respond to hypophyseal gonadotropin
- (e) often contain proteinaceous crystals

533. Spermatogenesis is:

- (a) possible in cases of cryptorchidism
- (b) possible at normal body temperature
- (c) achieved under the influence of testosterone
- (d) independent of Sertoli cell activity
- (e) possible to a certain degree even in old age

534. Sertoli cells are:

- (a) present in interstitial tissue
- (b) large, irregular cells
- (c) phagocytic
- (d) very sensitive to high temperature, malnutrition and X-rays
- (e) supportive cells for developing spermatozoa

535. Sertoli cells

- (a) are found in the seminiferous tubules
- (b) develop into spermatozoa
- (c) are derived from the embryonic sex cords
- (d) produce androgen-binding protein (ABP)
- (e) respond to FSH

536. Myoid cells of the testis:

- (a) are true muscle cells
- (b) contain actin microfilaments
- (c) are present in the tunica albuginea
- (d) surround the seminiferous tubules
- (e) are present in loose connective tissue

537. Following vasectomy:

- (a) fertility is impaired
- (b) leydig cells degenerate
- (c) spermatozoa production continues normally
- (d) spermatozoa may be found in the ejaculate for up to 90 days
- (e) penile erection is impossible

538. Spermiogenesis is:

- (a) identical to spermatogenesis
- (b) the process that transforms spermatids into spermatozoa
- (c) a process involving cell division
- (d) involved in shape changes without cell division
- (e) only possible if Sertoli cells are intact

539. Spermatozoa:

- (a) develop in seminiferous tubulels
- (b) develop in efferent ductuli
- (c) are stored in the seminal vesicles
- (d) are stored in the epididymis
- (e) are stored in the prostate gland

540. Spermatozoa:

- (a) can travel actively in the seminiferous tubules
- (b) move passively through the spermatic ducts
- (c) undergo maturation in the epididymis
- (d) are stored between ejaculations in the seminal vesicles
- (e) are actively motile immediately after ejaculation

541. The acrosome:

- (a) contains chromatin
- (b) contains hyaluronic acid
- (c) is membrane-limited
- (d) stains PAS-positive
- (e) possesses enzymes that are important in the fertilization process

- 542. The epididymal duct (ductus epididymis) is lined with:
 - (a) pseudostratified columnar epithelium
 - (b) ciliated epithelium
 - (c) epithelium with stereocilia
 - (d) epithelium with goblet cells
 - (e) cells with very large Golgi bodies
- 543. The epithelium lining the efferent ductules (ductuli efferentes) of the epididymis is:
 - (a) identical to that of the epididymal duct
 - (b) composed of alternating groups of cuboidal cells and columnar ciliated cells
 - (c) coated with stereocilia
 - (d) a stratified epithelium
 - (e) surrounded by smooth muscle fibers
- 544. Seminal vesicles are:
 - (a) evaginations of the ductus deferens
 - (b) basically similar in structure to the ductus deferens
 - (c) usually lined with transitional epithelium
 - (d) usually lined with pseudonstratified epithelium
 - (e) found with smooth muscle in their walls
- 545. Seminal vesicles are:
 - (a) paired structures
 - (b) sites of spermatozoa storage
 - (c) a source of sugars that provide energy for spermatozoa
 - (d) rich in glucose
 - (e) rich in fructose
- 546. The prostate gland:
 - (a) secretes hormones
 - (b) secretes acid phosphatase
 - (c) contains myoepithelial cells
 - (d) responds to testosterone
 - (e) often contains concretions
- 547. The prostate gland:
 - (a) has a muscular stroma
 - (b) has many tubuloalveolar glands
 - (c) has secretory ducts lined with transitional epithelium
 - (d) opens into the epididymal duct
 - (e) is well developed in childhood

548. The prostate gland:

- (a) surrounds part of the urethra
- (b) discharges its secretions into the urethra
- (c) is the site of spermatozoa storage
- (d) has glands with simple columnar epithelium in healthy, sexually mature
- (e) is surrounded by a thin capsule containing connective tissue cells and smooth muscle cells

549. The erectile tissue of the penis:

- (a) is surrounded by the connective tissue of the tunica albuginea
- (b) has vascular spaces that fill during the process of erection
- (c) has trabeculae that penetrate the vascular spaces
- (d) possesses helicine arteries that run in the trabeculae

550. In the penis:

- (a) the tunica albuginea is composed of dense, connective, collagenic tissue
- (b) erection begins with the loss of tonus in the muscle fibers of the arterial walls
- (c) the corpus spongiosum becomes hard at the time of erection to the same degree as that of the paired erectile bodies (corpora cavernosa)
- (d) the veins draining the blood from the corpora cavernosa run parallel to the tunica albuginea
- (e) the lacunae (cavernous sinuses) of the erectile bodies constitute a special sort of blood vessel.

551. The bulbourethral glands (Cowper's glands):

- (a) are paired structures
- (b) discharge into the membranous urethra
- (c) are compound tubuloaleveolar glands
- (d) produce a mucoid secretion
- (e) contribute in part to the production of seminal fluid

552. The male urethra:

- (a) is a paired structure
- (b) originates in the kidneys
- (c) is lined throughout with transitional epithelium
- (d) passes through the prostate gland
- (e) is found in the unpaired corpus spongiosum of the penis

553. The glands of Litte:

- (a) secrete mucus
- (b) are serous gands
- (c) secrete into the male urethra
- (d) secrete into the female urthra
- (e) provide lubrication for the urethra