Chapter - 14

BIOMOLECULES

QUESTIONS

VSA TYPE QUESTIONS (1-MARK QUESTIONS)

- 1. Name polysaccharide which is stored in the liver of animals.
- 2. What structural feature is required for a carbohydrate to behave as reducing sugar?

[Hint: The carbonyl group of any one monosaccharide present in carbohydrate should be free]

- 3. How many asymmetric carbon atoms are present in D (+) glucose?
- 4. Name the enantiomer of D-glucose.

[Hint: L-glucose]

5. Give the significance of (+)-sign in the name D-(+)-glucose.

[Hint: (+) sign indicates dextrorotatory nature of glucose].

6. Give the significance of prefix 'D' in the name D-(+)-glucose.

[Hint: 'D' Signifies that -OH group on C-5 is on the right hand side]

7. Glucose is an aldose sugar but it does not react with sodium hydrogen sulphite. Give reason.

[Hint: The -CHO group reacts with -OH group at C-5 to form a cyclic hemiacetal].

8. Why is sucrose called invert sugar?

[**Hint**: When sucrose is hydrolysed by water, the optical rotation of solution changes from positive to negative.]

- 9. Name the building blocks of proteins.
- 10. Give the structure of simplest optically active amino acid.
- 11. Name the amino acid which is not optically active.
- 12. Write the Zwitter ionic form of aminoacetic acid.

- Name the enzyme which catalyses the hydrolysis of maltose into glucose.
- 14. Give reason: Amylase present in the saliva becomes inactive in the stomach.

[Hint: HCl present in stomach decreases the pH]

15. How would you explain the amphoteric behavior of amino acids.

[**Hint**: Amino acids are amphoteric due to the presence of both acidic and basic functional groups.]

- 16. Which forces are responsible for the stability of α helical structure of proteins.
- 17. How are polypeptides different from proteins.
- 18. Which nucleic acid is responsible for carrying out protein synthesis in the cell.
- 19. The two strands in DNA are not identical but complementary. Explain.

[Hint: H-bonding is present between specific pairs of bases present in stands.]

 When RNA is hydrolysed, there is no relationship among the quantities of different bases obtained. What does this fact suggest about the structure of RNA.

[Hint: RNA is single stranded].

21. What type of linkage holds together the monomers of DNA and RNA.

[Hint :Phosphodiester linkage]

- 22. Mention the number of hydrogen bonds between adenine and thymine.
- 23. A child diagnosed with bone deformities, is likely to have the deficiency of which vitamin?
- 24. What is meant by the term DNA fingerprinting?
- 25. List two important functions of proteins in human body.
- 26. Name the vitamin responsible for coagulation of blood.
- 27. Except vitamin B_{12} , all other vitamins of group B, should be supplied regularly in diet. Why?
- 28. How is glucose prepared commercially?
- 29. What is the structural difference between glucose and fructose?
- 30. What is the difference between an oligosaccharide and a polysaccharide.
- 31. Give the Haworth projection of D-glucopyranose.

SA (I) TYPE QUESTIONS (2-MARK QUESTIONS)

- 1. What are anomers. Give the structures of two anomers of glucose.
- 2. Write the hydrolysed products of
 - (i) maltose

- (ii) cellulose.
- 3. Name the two components of starch? Which one is water soluble?
- 4. (i) Acetylation of glucose with acetic anhydride gives glucose pentaacetate. Write the structure of the pentaacetate.
 - (ii) Explain why glucose pentaacetate does not react with hydroxylamine?

[Hint: The molecule of glucose pentaacetate has a cyclic structure in which -CHO is involved in ring formation with OH group at C-5]

- 5. What are vitamins? How are they classified?
- 6. (i) Why is sucrose called a reducing sugar?
 - (ii) Give the type of glycosidic linkage present in sucrose.
- 7. Classify the following as monosaccharides or oligosaccharides.
 - (i) Ribose

(ii) Maltose

(iii) Galactose

- (iv) Lactose
- 8. Write the products of oxidation of glucose with
 - (a) Bromine water
- (b) Nitric acid
- 9. State two main differences between globular and fibrous proteins.
- 10. Classify the following α -amino acids as neutral, acidic or basic.
 - (i) HOOC CH₂ CH (NH₂) COOH
 - (ii) $C_6H_5 CH_2 CH(NH_2)$ COOH
 - (iii) $H_2N (CH_2)_4 CH(NH_2) COOH$
 - (iv) $HN = C (CH_2)_3 CH(NH_2)COOH$ NH_2
- 11. You have two amino acids, i,e. glycine and alanine. What are the structures of two possible dipeptides that they can form?
- 12. What are essential and non essential amino acids? Give one example of each type.
- 13. Name four type of intermolecular forces which stabilize 2° and 3° structure of proteins.

[**Hint**: Hydrogen bonds, disulphide linkages, vander Waals and electrostatic forces of attraction.]

- 14. Classify the following as globular or fibrous proteins.
 - (i) Keratin

(ii) Myosin

(iii) Insulin

- (iv) Haemoglobin.
- 15. What do you understand by
 - (a) denaturation of protein
- (b) specificity of an enzyme.
- 16. On electrolysis in acidic solution amino acids migrate towards cathode while in alkaline solution they migrate towards anode.

[Hint: In acidic solution, COO $^-$ group of zwitter ion formed from α -amino acid is protonated and NH $_3^+$ groups is left unchanged while in basic solution deprotonation converts NH $_3^+$ to NH $_2$ and COO $^-$ is left unchanged.]

- 17. (i) Name the disease caused by deficiency of vitamin D.
 - (ii) Why cannot vitamin C be stored in our body?
- 18. Define the terms hypervitaminosis and avitaminosis.

[Hint: Excess intake of vitamin A and D causes hypervitaminosis while multiple deficiencies caused by lack of more than one vitamins are called avitaminosis]

- 19. Explain what is meant by :
 - (i) a peptide linkage
- (ii) a glycosidic linkage?

[Hint: (i) Peptide linkage refers to the -CONH- linkage formed by reaction between -COOH group of one amino acid with -NH₂ group of the other amino acid.

- (ii) Glycosidic linkage refers to -C-O-C- linkage between two sugars formed by loss of H₂O.]
- 20. Give the sources of vitamin A and E and name the deficiency diseases resulting from lack of vitamin A and E in the diet.
- 21. What are the main functions of DNA and RNA in human body.

SA(II) TYPE QUESTIONS (3-MARK QUESTIONS)

- 1. How are carbohydrate classified?
- 2. (i) Name four bases present in DNA.
 - (ii) Which of them is not present in RNA.
 - (iii) Give the structure of a nucleotide of DNA.
- 3. Differentiate between the following:
 - (i) secondary and tertiary structure of protein.
 - (ii) α -Helix and β -pleated sheet structure of protein.
 - (iii) fibrous and globular proteins.