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Course No. : BMB427, Course Title: Applied Immunology
Credit: 4 Total marks: 70 Time: 3 hours

Instructions:

- Number in the right side indicates the marks of the question.
- Answer any two (2) questions from each Part (A and B).

Part –A

1. a) What is soluble mediator? Write down the functions of the following cytokines; 5.5
i) IL-2 ii) IFN- γ iii) TNF- α iv) IL-12 v) IL-6
b) Deduce a general pathway of signal transduction by most Class I and Class II cytokine receptors. 5.0
c) Give a comparative view of peptide binding features by class I and class II HMC molecules. 3.0
d) Explain and illustrate- cytokine exhibits the attributes of pleiotropy, redundancy, synergism and antagonism while regulating cellular activity. 4.0
2. a) What are haplotypes? Schematically represent class-I MHC genes, mRNA transcripts and protein molecules. 4.0
(1+3)
b) What are the types of grafts on the basis of source? Illustrate the grafts versus host reaction. 5.0
(3+2)
c) Justify “ Role of T cells is crucial in both sensitization and effectors stage of graft rejection” 5.0
d) Outline the immunosuppressive therapies used as preventive in allograft rejection. 3.5
3. a) What is regulatory T cell (Treg)? Discuss the role of Treg. 3.5
b) “T cell undergoes positive and negative selection during maturation” Explain the statement. 5.0
c) Compare and contrast between T cell and B cell development. 5.0
d) Give an overview of B-cell development in the bone marrow micro environment. 4.0

Part-B

4. a) What are co-stimulatory signals? Explain “ Three signals are required for the activation of T cells”. 5.0
(2+3)
- b) Illustrate the underlying mechanism of regulation of T_H1 and T_H2 subset differentiation. 3.5
- c) Define superantigens. Discuss the *T-dependent* (TD) and *T-independent* (TI) response of B-cells. 4.5
(1.5+3)
- d) How is the germinal centre formed? Outline the sequences of B-cell activation and differentiation in the germinal centre. 4.5
5. a) What does the term hypersensitivity mean? Compare and contrast the mechanism of four types of hypersensitivity. 5.0
(1+4)
- b) What is atopy? Briefly describe the early and late allergic responses in type-I hypersensitivity. 4.0
- c) “Type-II hypersensitive response against Rh antigens causes hemolytic disease of the newborn” Justify. 5.5
- d) Explain the statement; The effector phase of type IV hypersensitivity is induced by second exposure to a sensitizing antigen. 4.5
6. a) Define somatic hypermutation. Write the functions of the followings; RAG-1/2, TDT. 3.5
(1+2.5)
- b) Discuss the mechanism of V(D)J recombination. 5.0
- c) Illustrate the production of monoclonal antibodies by using hybridoma techniques. 4.5
- d) How the presence and concentration of antibody can be detected by Sandwich ELISA? Discuss with principle. 4.5