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SPECIAL/SUPPLEMENTARY EXAMINATIONS

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INSTRUCTIONS:

- Section A Attempt all questions.
- Section B - short answer questions Attempt all 40 marks)
- Section C – Essay Attempt any **Two** 20 marks

This paper consists of Eight printed pages.

SECTION A

1. With kingdom Monera; the following is true except:
 - A. Living things are minute and single celled
 - B. They lack membrane bound nuclei
 - C. They are also called Eukaryotes
 - D. Mode of nutrition is chemosynthesis, photosynthesis to absorption through cell wall.
2. Koch's postulates constitute the following except:
 - A. Micro organism must be isolated from diseased organism and growing in culture
 - B. Cultured micro organism should cause disease when introduced into healthy organism
 - C. Micro organism must be reisolated from inoculated, diseased experimental host
 - D. Microorganism must be found in healthy organisms and not in diseased organisms.
3. True concerning kingdom Animalia
 - A. Organisms include insects, worms, fish, reptiles, amphibians, birds and mammals
 - B. Kingdom Animalia is multicellular, eukaryotic and motile living things.
 - C. The mode of nutrition is by feeding on other organisms.
 - D. All of the above is true.
4. The first microbiologist to observe bacteria using a single-lens microscopes
 - A. Anton van leeuwenhoek
 - B. Loius Pasteur
 - C. Robert Koch
 - D. Ferdinard colin
5. The main difference between gram-positive bacterium and a gram positive is
 - A. A grain positive bacterium is thick, multilayered with peptidoglycan while gram negative bacteria is thin layered with peptidoglycan
 - B. A gram positive bacterium is thin layered with peptidoglycan while grain negative bacterium is thick multilayered.
 - C. The gram positive bacterium has flagellum while the gram negative bacterium has no flagellum.
 - D. None of the above.
6. Autotrophic bacteria share; the following characteristics except
 - A. The ability to synthesize their own organic food from inorganic substances
 - B. They use carbondioxide for obtaining carbon
 - C. They utilize Hydrogen Sulphide (H_2S) or Ammonia (NH_3) or Hydrogen to reduce carbon
 - D. Symbiotic parasitic bacteria are subclasses of Autotrophic bacteria

7. Symbiotic bacteria has mutual beneficial association with other organisms – the following example is not true of symbiotic bacteria:
- A. Nitrogen fixing bacteria is root nodule of leguminous plants.
 - B. Escherichia coli – bacteria found in human alimentary canal.
 - C. Cellulose digesting bacteria in alimentary canal of ruminant mammals.
 - D. A tick suckling blood from a cow.
8. During lag phase in the bacterial growth curve the following takes place except
- A. The bacteria adapts to growth conditions
 - B. Synthesize of RNA, enzymes and molecules occurs.
 - C. Individual bacteria matures and not yet able to divide
 - D. Growth rate and death rate are equal
9. In preparation for staining, the smear is heat fixed for the following reasons except:
- A. Kill the organisms
 - B. To enhance adherence to the slide.
 - C. Permits the organisms to accept stain
 - D. To accelerate the viewing process.
10. In gram staining, the gram positive bacteria differs from gram-negative bacteria in:
- A. Gram positive bacteria stains purple by crystal violet while gram negative bacteria do not stain purple
 - B. Gram negative bacteria stains purple by crystal violet while gram positive bacteria do not stain purple.
 - C. None of the above is correct.
11. The ideal disinfectant should meet the following criteria except:
- A. Resistant to inactivation
 - B. Broad spectrum in action
 - C. Expensive and not easily available
 - D. Not poisonous.
12. True about saprophytic bacteria
- A. Obtain nutritional requirements from dead organs matter
 - B. The bacteria is insignificant in the ecosystem
 - C. Do not breakdown complex organic matter into simpler mater
 - D. Answer A and C is correct
13. True of parasitic bacteria except
- A. Occur in the body of animals and plants
 - B. Most of these bacteria are pathogenic
 - C. They benefit the host organism
 - D. Cause serious diseases in host organisms by releasing toxins

14. The main reason for staining specimen is
- A. To kill them
 - B. To immobilize them
 - C. To improve viewing with light microscope
 - D. To make them large in size to be viewed.
15. True of differential stain technique except
- A. It distinguishes two kinds of organisms gram positive bacteria and gram negative bacteria
 - B. Acid fast technique to grain stain technique are the two main examples of differential staining
 - C. It employs use of crystal violet, mordant iodine, alcohol and safranin dye as reagents.
 - D. Differential stain technique is inferior to simple stain technique.
16. About preservation culture media; the following is true except:
- A. The preservation culture media is composed of all the basic nutrients required for microbial growth.
 - B. The main purpose of the culture is to let organisms grow safely.
 - C. Preservation culture protect bacteria against any environmental damage.
 - D. None of the above
17. The following bacterial growth phase is characterized by cell doubling by binary fission
- A. Log phase/logarithmic/exponential phase
 - B. Lag phase
 - C. Stationary phase
 - D. Death phase
18. All the following bacteria are gram positive except which one
- A. Clostridium
 - B. Bacillus
 - C. Neisseria
 - D. Staphylococcus
19. Selective culture media
- A. Inhibits the growth of all bacteria
 - B. Favour favours the growth of one bacteria while inhibits the other
 - C. Favours the growth of all bacteria
 - D. Best for fastidious organism
20. Antiseptic methods used in surgery was first established by
- A. John lister
 - B. Joseph lister
 - C. Edward jenner
 - D. Robert Kosh

21. Gram-negative bacteria cell wall contains all of the following components except which one?
- A. Peptidoglycan
 - B. Glycoprotein
 - C. Proteins
 - D. Teichoic acid
22. What will be the colour of gram negative cells after Gram-staining?
- A. Violet
 - B. Blue
 - C. Yellow
 - D. Pink
23. Which one of the following bacterial genera forms spores?
- A. Streptococcus
 - B. Clostridium
 - C. Neisseria
 - D. Corynebacteria
24. Gram positive cocci with a cluster or grape-like arrangement of cells. Which one of the following genera matches the above description?
- A. Streptococcus
 - B. Diplococcus
 - C. Pneumococcus
 - D. Staphylococcus
25. Which one of the following structures is used by bacteria for attachment?
- A. Fimbriae
 - B. Pili
 - C. Flagella
 - D. Plasmid
26. All the following reagents are used in Ziehl-Neelsen staining except?
- A. Carbol-fuchsin
 - B. 20% H₂SO₄
 - C. Safranin
 - D. Methylene blue
27. The process by which bacteria transfer genetic material through contact is referred to as
- A. Conjugation
 - B. Transformation
 - C. Transduction
 - D.

28. Which one of the following is NOT the function of bacterial cell wall?
- A. Protection from osmotic pressure
 - B. Selective permeability
 - C. Conferring of shape
 - D. Attachment of plasmid
29. Which one of the following bacteria is a spirochetes
- A. Neisseria gonorrhoea
 - B. Clostridium tetani
 - C. Treponema pallidum
 - D. Corynebacterium diphtheria
30. All the following antibiotics are broad-spectrum except which one
- A. Erythromycin
 - B. Isoniazid
 - C. Ampicillin
 - D. Streptomycin
31. Which one of the following drugs is not an antibiotic?
- A. Celestamine
 - B. Chloramphenicol
 - C. Ampiclox
 - D. Amoxicillin
32. In case of suspected lower respiratory infections which among the following specimen is suitable
- A. Stool
 - B. CSF
 - C. Urine
 - D. Sputum
33. Which one of the following bacteria is weakly/family gram positive
- A. Mycobacterium
 - B. Clostridium
 - C. Chlamydia
 - D. Vibrio
34. How can dry heat sterilization be achieved
- A. By using autoclave
 - B. By using hot air oven
 - C. By using incubator
 - D. By using a centrifuge

35. The study of micro organisms using a laboratory animal is referred to as
- A. Invivo
 - B. Triviro
 - C. Alleviannation
 - D. Refrigilation
36. The staining technique where only one stain is applied to stain the cells uniformly is referred to as
- A. Negative staining
 - B. Sproe staining
 - C. Simple staining
 - D. Differential staining
37. Which is the most suitable sterilization method for glassware
- A. Boiling
 - B. Heavy metal
 - C. Hot air oven
 - D. Radiation
38. How can milk be sterilized without losing its protein content?
- A. Autoclaving
 - B. Boiling
 - C. Pasteurization
 - D. Steaming
39. Endospores are highly resistant to antibiotics and physical treatment. Which one of the following bacteria genera forms it
- A. Clostridium and bacillus
 - B. Neisseria and corynebacterium
 - C. Staphylococcus and streptococcus
 - D. Mycobacterium and pneumococcus
40. Which one of the following bacterial infections can be transmitted from animals to human beings
- A. Pneumonia
 - B. Brucellosis
 - C. Tuberculosis
 - D. Diphtheria

SECTION B

41. Briefly highlight **FOUR** contributions made by Louis Pasteur **(4 marks)**
42. State **FOUR** characteristics of micro organisms. **(4 marks)**
43. What are **FOUR** methods used in physical sterilization. **(4 marks)**
44. Distinguish between antiseptics and disinfectants. **(4 marks)**
45. Give examples of **FOUR** basic dyes used in staining technique. **(4 marks)**
46. State **FOUR** antibiotics classified as bacteriostatic. **(4 marks)**
47. State **FOUR** groups of micro organisms on the basis of temperature. **(4 marks)**
48. Highlight **FOUR** functions of bacterial cell wall. **(4 marks)**
49. Distinguish between enrichment and selective culture media.
50. State **FOUR** mechanisms of action of chemical agents. **(4 marks)**
51. With examples, discuss **FIVE** kingdoms of classifications of living things. **(20 marks)**
52. Discuss the bacterial growth using growth curve. **(20 marks)**
53. Classify bacteria on the basis of
- i) Gram staining giving example. **(12 marks)**
 - ii) Morphology with examples. **(8 marks)**