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## **Instructions to Candidates**

You should have the following for this examination

-Answer Booklet, examination pass and student ID

This paper consists of TWO Section(s). Attempt ALL questions.

Circle the correct answer in section A.

### Section A

- 1. Potent cold autoagglutinins are predominantly
  - a. IgM anti-I
  - b. IgM anti-P
  - c. Donath Landsteiner
  - d. Complement fixing
- 2. The puncture of arteries during donation may result in the following except?
  - a. Severe blood leakage
  - b. Extensive bleeding
  - c. Slow filling of the Bag
  - d. Marked cyanosis and nausea

- 3. The following statement is false concerning storage of sera
  - a. Sodium azide is used as a preservative
  - b. Freezing of sera is not recommended
  - c. Potency of sera cannot exceed two years
  - d. Constant thawing affects potency of sera
- 4. Avid sera fit for use in blood grouping will show visible agglutination within the following time range
  - a. Within 15minutes
  - b. Between 2 and 15minutes of exposure
  - c. At 2 15 seconds of exposure
  - d. In albumin only
- 5. The following statements are true concerning storage of sera
  - a. Sodium azide is used as a preservative
  - b. Freezing of sera is recommended
  - c. Potency of sera do not exceed two years
  - d. Constant thawing affects potency of sera
- 6. The following statement is false
  - a. Reverse D-grouping is done to check for Rh antibodies
  - b. Anti-D gives a strong agglutination at 37°C
  - c. Albumin is used as a negative control in Rh typing
  - d. Auto-antibodies may give false positive results in Rh typing
- 7. The following is true about cold autoantibodies except?
  - a. Both anti-I and anti-i have been implicated
  - b. The harm caused is relative to temperature
  - c. There are no harmful cold autoagglutinins
  - d. Harmless cold autoagglutinins are reactive only up to 10<sup>o</sup>C to 15<sup>o</sup>C
- 8. The following statements are true in Rh D grouping
  - a. Albumin tube checks for anti-D
  - b. Reverse grouping is not done
  - c. Reverse grouping checks for other rhesus antibodies
  - d. The albumin tube is a negative control
- 9. The following bonds formed during antigen-antibody binding
  - a. Hydrophobic bonds

- b. Van der waal forces
- c. Covalent bonds
- d. Hydrophilic bonds
- 10. The term avidity refers to?
  - a. The number of binding sites
  - b. The specificity of the antibody
  - c. The amount of antibody
  - d. The amount of antigen
- 11. The following are properties of anti-D antibody except
  - a. Predominantly IgG
  - b. They may not cause HDN
  - c. They may cause HDN
  - d. It is an immune antibody
- 12. The ABO antibody found in blood group "O" mothers is
  - a. Predominantly IgG
  - b. Always IgG
  - c. Is never anti-A
  - d. Is never anti-B
- 13. Preparation of sera for blood grouping includes the following processes except
  - a. Donor identification and screening
  - b. Sera collection and preparation
  - c. Antigen screening
  - d. Tests for sera suitability
- 14. Factors leading to false agglutination in serum grouping include?
  - a. Correct labelling
  - b. Strong Rouleaux factors
  - c. Fresh patient serum
  - d. Forgetting to add known cells
- 15. Useful recovery of these antibodies are important in the following processes except?
  - a. Antibody Identification
  - b. Antigenic stimulation
  - c. Confirmation of antibody specificity
  - d. Separation of Antibody mixtures

- 16. The bonds formed during antigen antibody binding are never?
  a. Ionic
  b. Covalent
  c. Hydrophobic
- 17. The sequence of separation in the ether tube is as follows (from top to bottom)
  - a. Deposits, Ether, Stroma, Hb stained eluate
  - b. Ether, Stroma, Hb stained eluate, Deposits
  - c. Ether, Deposits, Stroma, Hb stained eluate
  - d. Hb stained eluate Ether, Stroma, , Deposits
- 18. Due to the volatility of ether, the tube contents may boil during the heating phase. The remedy to this is?
  - a. Remove tube from water bath until boiling stops
  - b. Continue stirring

d. Hydrogen

- c. Continue bubbling air through the eluate
- d. Stop the elution technique
- 19. Thawing conditions during the freeze thaw technique include the following
  - a. Running water at  $0^{\circ}$ C
  - b. Running water at 37°C
  - c. Water bath at 37<sup>o</sup>C
  - d. Water bath at 0<sup>o</sup>C
- 20. Which of the following is a major reason for preparation of standard sera?
  - a. Test for presence of specific antibodies
  - b. Test for the presence of specific antigens
  - c. Identify presence of autoantibodies
  - d. Describe autoimmune disease
- 21. Preparation of sera entails the following except?
  - a. Donor Identification and screening
  - b. Tests for suitability of sera
  - c. Cell grouping
  - d. Sera purification
- 22. Immune antibodies are obtained from?
  - a. All individuals at any given time
  - b. Sensitized individuals

- c. Secretors only
- d. All non-secretors
- 23. It is important to use different sell strengths according to the mode of performing the test. Therefore,
  - a. 40% cell suspensions are used for tile techniques
  - b. 4% cell suspensions are used for tube techniques
  - c. 4% cell suspensions are used for slide techniques
  - d. 40% cell suspensions are used for tube techniques
- 24. The following is true concerning titre for anti-D
  - a. Includes the Anti Human Globulin reaction
  - b. Does not exceed 1:64
  - c. Is important in Rh negative mothers
  - d. Is not important in pregnancy
- 25. False results during titration maybe encountered as a result of the following except?
  - a. Transferring bubbles
  - b. Saline diluent' carry over
  - c. Correct incubation conditions
  - d. Incorrect cell suspension concentrations
- 26. Labeling of sera may be attained in any of the following except?
  - a. Use of coloured bottles
  - b. Use of coloured dyes
  - c. Use of adhesive labels
  - d. Use of indelible ink
- 27. Anti-sera are dispensed into small bottles after preparation for the following reason
  - a. Specificity may be maintained
  - b. Potency may be guarded
  - c. Prolong the shelf life of a given batch
  - d. It may be easily frozen
- 28. During titration of anti-D the best results may be obtained by?
  - a. Testing to room temperature
  - b. Warming to 37<sup>o</sup>C
  - c. Using 22% albumin
  - d. Refrigeration of the samples
- 29. High titred anti-D sera in Rh D Negative mothers may result in the following except

- a. Severe HDNBb. Normal birth
- c. Induced Labour
- d. Exchange transfusion for neonates
- 30. Anti-sera that have lost potency as a result of inappropriate storage temperatures maybe categorized as?
  - a. Clerical error
  - b. Clinical error
  - c. Storage error
  - d. Random error
- 31. The effect of hard centrifugation during grouping include the following
  - a. False negative results
  - b. Difficulty in re-suspending cells
  - c. Strengthening of weak bonds
  - d. Removal of labels
- 32. Factors leading to false results in serum grouping include the following except?
  - a. Haemolyzed A or B cells
  - b. Fresh patients serum
  - c. Forgetting to add patients serum
  - d. Strong rouleaux factors
- 33. The albumin tube in Rh-D grouping is used as?
  - a. A positive control
  - b. A negative control
  - c. A false positive tube
  - d. Show rouleaux
- 34. The following statements are true of the DU test
  - a. It is a direct antiglobulin test
  - b. It is an Indirect antiglobulin test
  - c. Antibodies are coated in-vivo
  - d. Cells are never washed
- 35. The presence of the A<sub>1</sub> antigen may be detected by the use of?
  - a. Primed serum
  - b. Anti-A serum
  - c. Anti-A<sub>1</sub> Lectin

- d. Ulex europaeus.
- 36. A most significant limitation of crossmatch is that
  - a. It is able to prevent sensitization
  - b. It will detect antibodies in serum in the donor
  - c. Most antibodies are detected in the many phases
  - d. It is not able to prevent sensitization of the recipient
- 37. Immune antibody titration may be employed in the following conditions except?
  - a. To obtain anti-D for cell grouping
  - b. To determine anti-D titre in Rh D negative mothers
  - c. ABO blood grouping
  - d. Testing for specificity
- 38. Categories of errors in blood group serology includes the following except?
  - a. Clerical errors
  - b. Clinical errors
  - c. Random errors
  - d. Technician errors
- 39. The purpose of performing the cell and serum grouping together is?
  - a. To check for the storage errors
  - b. Detect the presence of weak agglutinogens
  - c. Remove unwanted antibodies
  - d. To check for technician errors
- 40. Red cells for serology maybe suspended in?
  - a. Sugars
  - b. Saline
  - c. Blood group O serum
  - d. Blood group A serum

# Section B

41. Using the chart below identify the antibodies present in the given serum (show identification steps/pattern) (20mks)

Cell Number	D	С	Ε	С	е	f	M	N	S	s	P1	Lea	Leb	K	k	Fya	Fyb	Jka	Jkb	IS	37	AHG
1	0	+	0	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	0	0	+	+	+	+	0	0	0	0
2	+	+	0	0	+	0	+	+	0	+	+	0	+	0	+	0	+	+	0	0	0	0
3	+	+	0	0	+	0	+	0	+	+	+	0	+	+	+	+	+	0	+	0	0	1+
4	+	0	+	+	0	+	+	+	0	+	+	+	0	0	+	0	+	+	+	0	0	0
5	0	0	+	+	+	+	0	+	+	0	+	0	+	0	+	0	+	+	+	0	0	0
6	0	0	0	+	+	+	+	0	0	+	+	0	+	0	+	+	0	+	+	0	0	0
7	0	- 0	0	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	0	0	+	0	+	0	+	0	0	0
8	0	0	0	+	+	+	+	+	0	+	+	0	0	+	+	0	0	+	0	0	0	1+
9	0	0	0	+	+	+	+	0	+	0	0	+	0	0	+	0	+	+	+	0	0	0
10	0	0	0	+	+	+	+	0	0	+	0	0	+	+	+	+	0	+	0	0	0	1+
11	0	0	0	+	+	+	0	+	0	+	0	0	+	0	+	+	+	+	+	0	0	0
Patient Typing																				0	0	0

# 42. Discuss the following

a. Factors contributing to false negative results in serology 10mks

b. The neutralization test 10mks

43. Answer the following questions on blood transfusion techniques

a. List down types of elution techniques 5mks

b. Describe the procedure for subgrouping of  $A_1$  10mks

c. Outline the procedure for avidity 5mks