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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. Which of the following is not a nuclear feature of malignancy
  - a. Macronucleaoli
  - b. Normal mitotic figure
  - c. Anisocytosis
  - d. Nuclear moulding
  - e. Corse chromatin
- 2. Air dried cytology specimens are best stained by
  - a. Diff quick
  - b. H & E stain
  - c. Papanicolaou stain
  - d. Alcian blue stain
  - e. Congo red
- 3. The following are exfoliative cytology specimens except
  - a. Pap smear
  - b. Imprints
  - c. Endoscopy brush specimens
  - d. Breast biopsy

- e. Celebral spinal fluid
- 4. Which special stain is correctly matched
  - a. PAS- melanin
  - b. Alcian blue- amyloid
  - c. Ziehl Neelsen- pneumocystis
  - d. Prussian blue- iron
  - e. Giemsa-fungi
- 5. The following are risk factors for cervical cancer except
  - a. HPV infection
  - b. Smoking
  - c. DES use
  - d. Immunosuppression
  - e. Lactobacilli
- 6. The nucleus of a cell gives the following information
  - a. Provides information about the health of the cell
  - b. Gives information about the origin of the cell
  - c. Provides information on the possible function of the cell
  - d. Gives information on the age of the cell
  - e. The fuctions of the cell
- 7. An appropriate fixative for cytodiagnosis should perform all the following except
  - a. Penetrate cells rapidly
  - b. Stop cellular and microbial growth
  - c. Minimize cell shrinkage
  - d. Activate autolytic enzyems
  - e. Maintain morphologic integrity
- 8. The following infections can be diagnosed on pap smears except
  - a. Herpes virus infection
  - b. Candidiasis
  - c. Trichomoniasis
  - d. Human papilloma virus infection
  - e. Tiardiasis
- 9. HPV infection is established in which layer of squamous epithelium
  - a. On the nuclear surface
  - b. Superficial squamous cells
  - c. Intermediate squamous cells
  - d. Basal cells
  - e. Fat cells
- 10. Which of the following statements is true of HPV
  - a. It is an RNA virus
  - b. It is enveloped
  - c. It is a member of herpes virus family
  - d. High risk types are 16, 18.
  - e. Low risk types are 16, 18.
- 11. The following are advantages of liquid based cytology except

- a. Ability to prepare multiple slides
- b. Ability to perform ancillary tests
- c. Permits automated screening
- d. Reduction of blood and mucus on the slide
- e. Cost of the procedure is to the patient
- 12. Appropriate voided urine specimen should be
  - a. Obtained 3-4 hours after last urination
  - b. First morning specimen should be avoided
  - c. Should be 25-100ml
  - d. Mid stream clean catch
  - e. Collected over night urine
- 13. Common causes of trasudates are
  - a. Malignancy
  - b. Pneumonia
  - c. Congestive cardiac failure
  - d. Rheumatoid pleuritis
  - e. Trauma
- 14. The following are true when collecting pap smears except
  - a. Collect smears two weeks after menstruation
  - b. Patients should not use vaginal medication before collection
  - c. No douching before collection
  - d. Should be collected early in the morning
  - e. Specimens should be collected before application of acetic acid
- 15. Which of the following statements is true of exudates
  - a. Have a low protein concentration
  - b. Results from an imbalance of hydrostatic and oncotic pressure
  - c. Can be caused by cirrhosis
  - d. Results from injury to mesothelium
  - e. Have a low lactate dehydrogenase
- 16. Which of the statement is true of Spray fixative
  - a. Consists alcohol base and carbowax
  - b. Carbowax does not provide protective coating on the cells
  - c. Carbowax should not be removed before staining
  - d. Contain lysing agents
  - e. Slides are put in alcohol to remove carbowax
- 17. The following is true of candida species except
  - a. Dimorphic fungus
  - b. Often appear as hypal spearing through epithelial cell clumps
  - c. Associated with perinuclear clearing of squamous cells
  - d. Forms fuffy cotton balls with radiating filamentous structures
  - e. May be seen as spores or pseudohyhae on pap smears.
- 18. The following is true of cytology except
  - a. Branch of pathology that diagnoses disease at cellular level
  - b. Aids in the diagnoses of tumors

- c. Helpful in the diagnosis of infectious diseases
- d. Aids in screening of diseases
- e. Branch of pathology that diagnoses disease at tissue level
- 19. A good staining method has the following features except
  - a. Nuclear detail is well defined
  - b. Transparency of cytoplasm is assured
  - c. Different types of cells can be differentiated
  - d. Nuclear detailis poorly defined
  - e. Stability of stain with time
- 20. Which of the following is a nuclear stain in cytology
  - a. Orange G
  - b. Eosin Y
  - c. Light green
  - d. Haematoxylin
  - e. Fuchsin
- 21. Accuracy of cytologic examination depends on
  - a. Quality of collection
  - b. Quality of preparation of smear
  - c. Staining
  - d. Interpretation of smear
  - e. Size of the lesion
- 22. Which of the following statement best describes stem cells
  - a. Embryonic stem cells are the only stem cells available
  - b. Adult stem cells can only be extracted from the bone marrow
  - c. Blood is not a source of stem cells
  - d. Stem cells do not differentiate
  - e. The two properties of stem cell are self-renewal and potency
- 23. Which of the following state ment best describe metaplasia
  - a. Is the shrinkage of the size of the cell
  - b. Is characterized by an increase in the cell number
  - c. Is a reversible change
  - d. Is retarted growth
  - e. Is an increase in the size of the cell
- 24. During apoptosis, the nucleus undergoes
  - a. Disrupted
  - b. Enzymatic digestion
  - c. Fragmentation into nucleosome size
  - d. Pyknosis
  - e. Swelling
- 25. Which of the following is not an example of an internal agent that causes cell injury
  - a. Faulty structure of essential molecules
  - b. Acquired immune disease
  - c. Autoimmune disorders
  - d. Disturbance of cell growth

- e. Metabolic disorders
- 26. Which of the following is a non-gynecological sample in a cytology laboratory
  - a. Stool
  - b. Urine
  - c. Core biopsy
  - d. Autopsy
  - e. Bone tissue
- 27. scrapping from the lateral wall of the vaginal are used for
  - a. Detecting fungal elements
  - b. Hormonal function
  - c. Detecting malignant cells only
  - d. Detecting trichomonas
  - e. Analysis of hormonal function
- 28. Inflammatory reaction is important because
  - a. Causes more harm to the injury
  - b. Helpful in cancer studies
  - c. Helps in formation of superficial cells
  - d. Does not remove injurious agent
  - e. Protect against disease
- 29. Which of the following is a source of cell injury
  - a. Cytomorphosis
  - b. Necrobiosis
  - c. Putrefaction
  - d. Biological agents
  - e. Autolysis
- 30. "Unsatisfactory smear for evaluation" as used by Bethesda reporting system indicates
  - a. Smears has all the cells required
  - b. Patient identification is lacking
  - c. Smear is adequate
  - d. All patient information is included
  - e. Smear is well prepared.

#### **SECTION B**

31.

- a. Describe cell death (10 marks)
- b. Discuss the advantages and disadvantages of liquid based cytology (10 marks)

32.

- a. Write short notes on cervical cancer diagnosis (10 marks)
- b. Describe the differences between transudate and exudates (10 marks)