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SEMESTER EXAMINATION

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2 HOURS

Instructions to candidates:

This paper consist of **FIVE** questions

Answer question **ONE** (compulsory) and any other **TWO** questions

QUESTION ONE

- a) Define the following terms **(10marks)**
- (i) Catabolism
 - (ii) Metabolic disorder
 - (iii) β -oxidation
 - (iv) Ketogenesis
 - (v) Amphipathic
- b) Which is the most committed step in fatty acid synthesis. Discuss this step and give the overall equation for the reactions at this step **(6marks)**
- c) Discuss the citrate regulation of Acetyl CoA carboxylase **(4marks)**
- d) With the aid of a well labelled diagram, discuss the carnitine shuttle during fatty acid degradation **(6marks)**

e) Outline FOUR fates of cholesterol

(4marks)

QUESTION TWO

Discuss the metabolic reactions and enzymes involved in fatty acid synthesis. **(20marks)**

QUESTION THREE

State and explain FIVE functions of lipids giving relevant examples in each case. **(20marks)**

QUESTION FOUR

- (i) Use a well labelled diagram to illustrate and explain the formation of known ketone bodies **(15marks)**
- (ii) Name and discuss a disorder associated with ketone bodies build up in the body **(5marks)**

QUESTION FIVE

- (i) Illustrate palmitic acid (16carbon) complete oxidation in the fatty acid spiral. **(8marks)**
- (ii) Give the overall equation for this reaction **(3marks)**
- (iii) If one turn yields one acetyl coA (2c), one FAD and one NAD, how many turns will be used for the complete oxidation of palmitoyl CoA **(1mark)**
- (iv) If acetylcoA's proceed to TCA cycle where each Acetyl CoA yields 12ATPs. What is the number of acetyl coa from this degradation?
How many ATPs were released from all the Acetyl-CoAs that got into the TCA cycle **(3marks)**
- (v) If NAD and FAD proceed to electron transport chain, each yielding 3ATPs and 2 ATPs respectively. How many NAD and FAD were released from complete oxidation. What is the amount of ATPs Produced by these reducing agents? **(3marks)**
- (vi) What is the grand total of ATPs released from the complete oxidation of palmitic acid. Explain. **(2marks)**