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**DIPLOMA IN MEDICAL LABORATORY SCIENCES**

**END OF YEAR II EXAMINATION**

**HAEMATOLOGY**

**TIME: 3 HOURS**

**INSTRUCTIONS**

**This paper consists of TWO SECTIONS: A and B.**

**Answer ALL questions in SECTION A and B.**

**Circle the letters of ALL correct answers in each multiple choices questions**

**Any wrong answer for multiple choices will be penalized (0.5 marks)**

## **SECTION (40 marks)**

1. The following is sources of error in ESR estimation Except:
  - (a) Use of clotted blood sample
  - (b) Performing test at 40C
  - (c) Setting the test immediately after collecting blood sample
  - (d) Use of detergent to clean glass tubes.
2. The cause of LOW ESR is;
  - (a) Polycythaemia
  - (b) Physiological pregnancy
  - (c) Intention with tuberculosis
  - (d) Malignancy tumors
3. The anticoagulant of choice for blood counts and peripheral blood film is;
  - (a) Tri-sodium citrate
  - (b) Heparin
  - (c) EDTA sequestrine
  - (d) Oxalates
4. The diluting fluid uses in counting of while blood cell is;
  - (a) 1% ammonium oxalates
  - (b) Formal citrate
  - (c) Baars fluid
  - (d) Turks solution
5. The following are normal Hemoglobin EXCEPT;
  - (a) HB A
  - (b) HB A<sub>2</sub>
  - (c) HB F
  - (d) HB C
6. Drabkins solution is composed of the following EXCEPT;
  - (a) Potassium cyanide
  - (b) Potassium carbonate
  - (c) Sodium bicarbonate
  - (d) Distilled water
7. The reasons for forming packed cells volume is
  - (a) Aids in Differential count
  - (b) Diagnosis of Leukemia
  - (c) Gives information on Mean Cell Volume
  - (d) Assist in calculation of blood indices
8. Normal adult male Hemoglobin value is:
  - (a) 11.5 – 16.5gm%
  - (b) 15.5 – 22.5gm%
  - (c) 13.5 – 18.0gm%
  - (d) 9.5 – 13.5gms%

9. The Romanowsky stain which is water soluble is:
- (a) Giemsa stain
  - (b) Leishman stain
  - (c) Field stain
  - (d) Wright's stains
10. A bone marrow impaired condition leads to:
- (a) Hemolytic anemia
  - (b) Aplastic anemia
  - (c) Iron deficiency anemia
  - (d) Megaloblastic anemia
11. The cause of megaloblastic anemia is;
- (a) Deficiency of Vitamin B12
  - (b) Deficiency of Iron
  - (c) Bleeding ulcers
  - (d) Use of radio-active material
12. The precursor cells of monocyte is
- (a) Pronormoblast
  - (b) Myeloblast
  - (c) Lymphoblast
  - (d) Monoblast
13. The term used to describe both size and shape in peripheral blood film is:
- (a) Anisocytosis
  - (b) Poikilocytosis
  - (c) Aniso – poikilocytosis
  - (d) Polychromasia
14. The following factors are found in the fibrinogen group.
- (a) Factor VII
  - (b) Factor II
  - (c) Factor V
  - (d) Factor VII
15. The following coagulation factors need vitamin K for their synthesis EXCEPT:
- (a) Factor XI
  - (b) Factor VIII
  - (c) Factor X
  - (d) Factor VII
16. The cause of anemia is;
- (a) Early pregnancy
  - (b) Deficiency of nutrients
  - (c) Use of family planning pills
  - (d) Massive exercise

17. In Hemoglobin electrophoresis the slowest moving HB is;
- (a) Hemoglobin A
  - (b) Hemoglobin F
  - (c) Hemoglobin S
  - (d) Hemoglobin A<sub>2</sub>
18. An increased MCV is indicative of;
- (a) Iron deficiency anemia
  - (b) Megaloblastic anemia
  - (c) Aplastic anemia
  - (d) Thalassemia
19. The normal values of packed cell volume for adult men is;
- (a) 36 – 47%
  - (b) 44 – 64%
  - (c) 40- 54%
  - (d) 31 – 44%
20. Anemia can be caused by;
- (a) The age and sex of an individual.
  - (b) Deficiency of white blood cells.
  - (c) Deficiency number of red blood cells.
  - (d) Deficiency number of platelets.
21. Which of the following is found in Hereditary hemolytic anemia :
- (a) G6PD enzyme
  - (b) Sickle cells
  - (c) Pyruvate Kinase (PK)
  - (d) Macrocytes
22. Osmotic fragility test is increased in
- (a) Sickle cell diseases
  - (b) Thalassemia
  - (c) Hemolytic diseases of the new born (HDNB)
  - (d) Hemoglobin A<sub>2</sub>
23. The factor IX is also referred to as;
- (a) Hageman factor
  - (b) Christmas factor
  - (c) Labile factor
  - (d) Contact factor
24. A decrease in platelets is referred to as;
- (a) Thrombocytosis
  - (b) Thrombocytopenia
  - (c) Adequate
  - (d) Microphilic

25. The following is/are inclusions in whole blood cells;
- (a) Auer rods
  - (b) Malaria parasites
  - (c) Heinz bodies
  - (d) Howell jelly bodies
26. A normal size, shape and color of ABC is associated with;
- (a) Aplastic anemia
  - (b) Megaloblastic anemia
  - (c) Hemolytic anemia
  - (d) Megaloblastic anemia.
27. The following are methods of Hemoglobin estimation EXCEPT;
- (a) Acid haematin
  - (b) Oxy-hemoglobin
  - (c) Alkaline Haematin
  - (d) Mean cell volume.
28. The causes of aplastic anemia is;
- (a) Nutrients deficiency
  - (b) Use of radio-active material
  - (c) Lack of calcium and folic acid
  - (d) Over production of red blood cells.
29. Sources of Vitamin B12 is;
- (a) Spinach
  - (b) Kidney
  - (c) Eggs
  - (d) Yeast
30. In classification of anemia the following is used EXCEPT;
- (a) MCH
  - (b) MCHC
  - (c) PCV
  - (d) MCV
31. The tests used to detect abnormalities in vascular system is;
- (a) Duke method
  - (b) Prothrombin time index
  - (c) Clotting time
  - (d) Koalin cephalin clotting time (KCCT).
32. A suitable test to determine a progress in management of tuberculosis is;
- (a) Packed cell volume
  - (b) Erythrocyte sedimentation rate
  - (c) Hemoglobin estimation
  - (d) Sickling test

33. When counting whole blood cells in Neubauer chamber method the number of squares counted is:
- (a) 4 corner squares
  - (b) 5 corner squares
  - (c) Centre 4 squares
  - (d) Centre 5 squares
34. The normal platelets count is ;
- (a)  $50 - 400 \times 10^9/L$
  - (a)  $150 - 450 \times 10^9/L$
  - (c)  $10.0 \times 15.0 \times 10^9/L$
  - (d)  $10.0 - 150 \times 10^9/L$
35. The reduction of MCH, MCHC and MCV is indicative of
- (a) Aplastic anemia
  - (b) Megabloblastic anemia
  - (c) Hemolytic anemia
  - (d) Iron deficiency anemia
36. In peripheral blood film reporting, the microcytic hypochromic picture is indicative of ;
- (a) Iron deficiency anemia
  - (b) Megaloblastic anemia
  - (c) Hemolytic anemia
  - (d) Aplastic anemia
37. When doing White blood cells count using haemocytometer the false high count can be obtained by;
- (a) Using high volume of blood.
  - (b) Under filling the chamber
  - (c) Counting less squares eg one.
  - (d) Using high volume of diluting fluid
38. The following are examples of hemolytic anemia EXCEPT;
- (a) Sickle cell anemia
  - (b) G6PD deficiency
  - (c) Hemoglobin C disease
  - (d) Pernicious anemia
39. The reason why infants have high hemoglobin than adults is;
- (a) Adults are less active than infants
  - (b) Infants need high concentration of oxygen for their growth.
  - (c) The oxygen carrying capacity in adults is higher than that of infants
  - (d) Breast milk has high nutrient content which increase hemoglobin automatically

40. The MCV is obtained using the formula

(a)  $\frac{HB \times 10}{PCV}$

(b)  $\frac{PCV \times 100\%}{HB}$

(c)  $\frac{HB \times 100\%}{PCV}$

(d)  $\frac{PCV \times 10}{TRBC}$

### **SECTION B (60 Marks)**

1. Discuss the cyanomet hemoglobin estimation: (20Marks)
2. Explain the following:
  - (a) Sickle cell anemia (10Marks)
  - (b) Packed cell volume (10Marks)
3. (a) List down 5 sources of error when performing the ESR test. (5Marks)
  - (b). Define hypersegmented neutrophils and the conditions which they are encountered. (5Marks)
  - (c) Explain the term polychromasia (5 Marks)
  - (d) List down 5 inclusions found in Red blood Cells. (5Marks)