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SUPPLEMENTARY/SECOND OPPORTUNITY EXAMINATION QUESTION PAPER		
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INSTRUCTIONS

- 1. Answer all questions.
- 2. Please write neatly and legibly.
- 3. Do not use the left side margin of the exam paper. This must be allowed for the examiner.
- 4. No books, notes and other additional aids are allowed.
- 5. Mark all answers clearly with their respective question numbers.
- 6. Genetic code included

Permissable material

Non programmable calculator is allowed.

THIS QUESTION PAPER CONSISTS OF 4 PAGES (Excluding this front page)

SECTION A (28 MARKS)

QUESTION 1 [10]

Evaluate the statements in each numbered section and select the most appropriate answer or phrase from the given possibilities. Write the appropriate letter next to the number of the statement/phrase.

1.1 Which of the following is not true of Prokaryotes?

(1)

- a. Transcription and translation take place in the cytoplasm
- b. The coding region of a gene cannot be interrupted
- c. More than one gene can be co-transcribed
- d. Translation occurs at the same time as transcription
- 1.2 Nucleic acid molecules are orientated 5' to 3' by convention. What is attached to the 5' (1) and 3' carbons located at each end of a DNA molecule?
 - a. 5' base and 3' phosphate
 - b. 5' base and 3' hydroxyl
 - c. 5' hydroxyl and 3' base
 - d. 5' phosphate and 3' hydroxyl
- 1.3 Identify the molecule that serves to destabilize the DNA helix in order to open it up, (1) creating a replication fork?
 - a. DNA helicase
 - b. DNA ligase
 - c. DNA polymerase
 - d. SSBPs
 - e. DNA Gyrase
- 1.4 Okazaki fragments are joined together by:

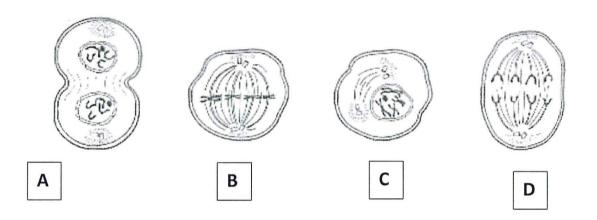
(1)

- a. RNA polymerase
- b. DNA ligase
- c. DNA polymerase
- d. RNA ligase

1.5 Deduce the mutation that changes C to T in the coding sequence below:		
ACG-G	GGC-CAA-TTA-ACG changed to ACG-GGC-TAA-TTA-ACG	
b. c.	Frame-shift mutation Missense mutation Nonsense mutation Silent mutation	* * .
1.6 Po	olyacrylamide gels are used to:	(1)
b. c.	Separate DNA fragments Separate RNA fragments Separate proteins Separate DNA from RNA	
1.7 A	nucleoside molecule lacks a:	(1)
b. c.	Phosphate group Hydroxyl group Nitrogenous base Pentose sugar	
1.8 W	hich of the following does not regulate apoptosis?	(1)
b. c.	BCI-2 Caspases Cytochrome c Endocrine signalling	
1.9 W	hich enzyme replaces primers during DNA replication in prokaryotes?	(1)
b. c.	Ligase Primase DNA Polymerase I Nuclease	
1.10 ld	dentify the organelle is responsible for storing proteins.	
b. c.	Golgi apparatus Vesicles Endoplasmic reticulum Lysosomes	. (1)

QUESTION 2	[10]		
Differentiate between the following terms:			
 2.1 Transcription and Translation 2.2 G1 and G2 phases of interphase 2.3 Intrinsic and Extrinsic pathways of apoptosis 2.4 lysosome and peroxisome 2.5 rho protein and sigma factors 	(2) (2) (2) (2) (2)		
QUESTION 3	[8]		
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Use the diagram below and identify the stages (A - D) of mitosis. For each stage give a brief description of what is happening.



SECTION B (22 MARKS)

QUESTION 4	[22]
4.1 Write the complementary sequence of the following section of DNA:	(2)
5' AACGTCGATGCT 3'	
4.2 The LacI gene is located before the Lac Operon. What is the function of the LacI gene product?	(2)
4.3 Explain what an inducible operon is and name one. 4.4 Discuss four differences between RNA and DNA 4.5 Identify the enzyme that proof reads a DNA strand and explain how it achieves this function	(2) (4) (4)
4.6 Define the principle of gel electrophoresis 4.7 identify the molecules that can be run on gel electrophoresis 4.8 Discuss safety considerations during agarose gel preparation	(2) (3) (3)

SECTION C (50 MARKS)

QUESTION 5	[50]
5.1 Discuss the characteristics of the genetic code.	(14)
5.2 Compare and contrast between the Lac Operon and Tryptophan	(10)
5.3 Introns are non-coding regions found interspersed between coding exons. Outline the	(12)
splicing pathway for GU-AG introns.	
5.4 Eukaryotic cells' DNA is organized in chromosomes and is stored in the nucleus, which is	(14)
separated from the rest of the cell by a semipermeable membrane. Explain how a cell stores	
DNA in chromosomos	

END OF EXAMINATION!

GENETIC CODE

Second Letter

				u = 0tt01		
		U	С	Α	G	
1st letter	U	UUU Phe UUC UUA Leu UUG Leu	UCU UCC Ser	UAU Tyr UAC UAA Stop UAG Stop	UGU Cys UGC UGA Stop UGG Trp	U C A G
	С	CUU CUC Leu CUA CUG	CCU Pro CCA CCG	CAU His CAC CAA GIN CAG	CGU CGC Arg CGA	U C A G
	A	AUU IIe AUA AUG Met	ACU ACC Thr ACA ACG	AAU Asn AAC AAA Lys AAG Lys	AGU Ser AGC AGA Arg AGG	U letter C A G
	G	GUU GUC Val GUA GUG	GCU GCC Ala GCA GCG	GAU Asp GAC GAA Glu GAG	GGU GGC GGA GGG	U C A G