

## **NAMIBIA UNIVERSITY**OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

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## **DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL AND APPLIED SCIENCES**

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SUPPLEMENTARY / SECOND OPPORTUNITY EXAMINATION PAPER		
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INSTRUCTIONS		
1.	Answer all questions in Sections A and B	
2.	You may use a calculator	
3.	Write clearly and neatly	
4.	Number your answers correctly	
5.	Draw diagrams wherever necessary	

PERMISSIBLE MATERIALS
Calculator

THIS QUESTION PAPER CONSISTS OF 4 PAGES

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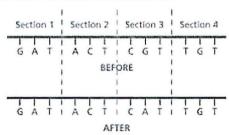
- 1. When a cell begins to prepare for cell division, DNA synthesis occurs during which of the following phases?
  - a) G1 phase
  - b) S phase
  - c) G2 phase
  - d) G0 phase
- 2. Mitotic cell division results in two cells that have:
  - a) *n* chromosomes that are genetically identical
  - b) *n* chromosomes that are genetically different
  - c) 2n chromosomes that are genetically identical
  - d) 2n chromosomes that are genetically different
- 3. Haemophilia is a sex-linked recessive trait in humans. If a father is a carrier, and their son is haemophiliac, but the mother is normal, her genotype must be?
  - a) XhXh
  - b) XHXh
  - c) XHXH
  - d) All of the above
- 4. Genetic traits of seeds are noted as follows:

L = long, I = short, W = wrinkled, w = smooth, Y = yellow, y = white, R = ribbed, r = grooved. Which of the following is the genotype for a short, wrinkled, yellow and grooved seed?

- a) IlWwyyrr
- b) LLWWyYRr
- c) LlWwYYRr
- d) IlWwYYrr
- 5. Which of the following is an autosomal recessive trait?
  - a) Duchenne muscular dystrophy
  - b) Lesch-Nyhan syndrome
  - c) Marfan syndrome
  - d) Cystic Fibrosis
- 6. Which of the following sequences will a strand of DNA with the sequence of base AACTTG have a complimentary strand?
  - a) CCAGGT
  - b) AACTTG
  - c) TTCAAG
  - d) TTGAAC

- 7. Which of the strand grows continuously towards the replication fork during the process of DNA replication?
  - a) Lagging strand
  - b) RNA strand
  - c) Leading strand
  - d) Replicating strand
- 8. A human with Turner's syndrome would represent which of the following chromosomal condition?
  - a) Diploid condition
  - b) Euploid condition
  - c) Aneuploid condition
  - d) Haploid condition
- 9. In the genetic code, the number of nucleotides in a single codon is?
  - a) 2 nucleotides
  - b) 3 nucleotides
  - c) 4 nucleotides
  - d) 6 nucleotides
- 10. During the process of gene recombination, which of the following enzymes represses the action of transposase?
  - a) Ligase
  - b) Polymerase
  - c) Helicases
  - d) Resolvase
- 11. Which of the following will not occur during post-transcriptional processing of RNA in eukaryotes?
  - a) The splicing of introns
  - b) Addition of a poly-A at the 3' end
  - c) Removal of introns
  - d) Addition of a 7-methyl guanosine cap at the 5' end
- 12. During the process of splicing in gene expression, the removal of introns from RNA strands is by which group of enzymes:
  - a) Primosomes
  - b) Resolvases
  - c) Transposase
  - d) Spliceosomes
- 13. What complementary DNA strand is the following RNA sequence transcribed from 5'AUCGACUACGAUCGC3'
  - a) 5'ATCGACTACGATCGC3'
  - b) 5'ACCGACTACGAACGC3'
  - c) 5'AACGACCACGATCGC3'
  - d) 5'ATCGACCACGATCGC3'

14. In which section of DNA below is there a mutation?



- a) Section 1
- b) Section 2
- c) Section 3
- d) Section 4
- 15. Which of the following factors alter allele frequencies that bring about the most evolutionary change?
  - a) Indiscriminating intraspecific mating
  - b) Inbreeding
  - c) DNA replication
  - d) Genetic drift

SECTION B [70]

16. a). Briefly differentiate gene mutation from chromosomal mutation. (4)

b). Describe the structure of the messenger RNA. (11)

- 17. With the aid of suitable diagram, briefly describe the process of mitotic division in a eukaryotic cell with emphasis on the changes taking place on the chromosome? (10)
- 18. a). With the use of suitable diagrams, discuss the process of gene deletion, duplication, inversion and translocation in chromosomal mutations.(8)
  - b). With reference to chromosomal mutation, number of chromosomes and phenotypic expression, discuss Fragile X Syndrome genetic disorder. (7)
- 19. Using suitable molecular diagrams discuss the structure of the DNA double helix, including its subunits and the way in which they are bonded together indicating the antiparallel arrangements of the polynucleotide strands. (15)
- 20. With the use of appropriate diagram, discuss the role of transposons, transposase and resolvases in gene recombination. Why are transposons referred to as important genetic materials? (15)