

***Microbiology A Systems Approach 5th edition Cowan  
Test Bank***

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# CH-02: Test Bank

## Multiple Choice Questions

1. An atom has gained an electron; it has been \_\_\_\_\_.  
  
A. ionized  
B. oxidized  
C. neutralized  
D. reduced  
E. deionized
  
2. Anything that occupies space and has mass is called \_\_\_\_\_.  
  
A. matter  
B. energy  
C. living  
D. space  
E. atomic
  
3. The electrons of an atom are  
  
A. moving in pathways called orbitals.  
B. used to determine atomic number.  
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D. always equal to the number of neutrons in an atom.  
E. found in the nucleus.
  
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A. used to determine the atomic weight.  
B. always equal to the number of protons.  
C. carrying a positive charge.  
D. always in full orbitals.  
E. used to determine the atomic number.

5. All of the following pertain to the atom Carbon-14 except it
- A. has 14 neutrons.
  - B. is an isotope of carbon.
  - C. has 6 protons.
  - D. has 6 electrons.
6. The subatomic particles that surround the nucleus are the \_\_\_\_\_.
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  - D. protons
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9. Protons and neutrons make up the atom's central core, which is referred to as its \_\_\_\_\_.
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  - C. valence number
  - D. nucleus

10. The valence number is the

- A. number of protons.
- B. atomic weight.
- C. number of neutrons.
- D. number of electrons in the innermost orbital.
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11. Two or more atoms bonded together are called a(n) \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. molecule
- B. isotope
- C. ion
- D. electrolyte
- E. element

12. What would be the valence number of electrons in the sulfur (S) atom? Its atomic number is 16.

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#### True / False Questions

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True   False

#### Multiple Choice Questions

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19. Polar molecules are composed of covalently bonded

- A. carbon atoms.
- B. ions.
- C. identical atoms.
- D. atoms of identical electronegativity.
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20. Covalent bonds

- A. result from gaining electrons.
- B. are always nonpolar.
- C. result from losing electrons.
- D. are always polar.
- E. result from sharing electrons.

21. Cations are

- A. atoms without protons.
- B. charged subatomic particles.
- C. atoms that have gained electrons.
- D. capable of forming ionic bonds with anions.
- E. atoms that have gained neutrons.

22. A reaction where an electron is lost is called \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. oxidation
- B. reduction
- C. ionization
- D. decomposition
- E. dissolution

23. Ionic bonds

- A. result from like charge attraction.
- B. result from transferring electrons.
- C. are the weakest chemical bonds.
- D. always involve carbon.
- E. result from sharing electrons.

24. Hydrogen bonds

- A. result from attractive forces between molecules with polar covalent bonds.
- B. are the strongest bonds between molecules.
- C. result from attractive forces between molecules with polar ionic bonds.
- D. result from attractive forces between molecules with nonpolar ionic bonds.
- E. result from attractive forces between molecules with nonpolar covalent bonds.

25. Atoms that gain or lose electrons become charged particles called \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. ions
- B. isotopes
- C. anions
- D. cations

26. Which of the following represents a synthesis reaction?

- A.  $AB \rightarrow A + B$
- B.  $A + B \rightarrow AB$
- C.  $AB + XY \rightarrow AY + XB$
- D.  $AB + XY \leftrightarrow AY + XB$

27. Which of the following represents a reversible reaction?

- A.  $A + B \rightarrow AB$
- B.  $AB \rightarrow A + B$
- C.  $AB + XY \leftrightarrow AY + XB$
- D.  $AB + XY \rightarrow AY + XB$

28. Ionic compounds

- A. are basic in solution.
- B. are acidic in solution.
- C. are hydrophobic.
- D. are hydrophilic.
- E. always form salts in solution.

**True / False Questions**

29. Water molecules are nonpolar molecules.

True   False

30. Polar molecules have more reactivity compared to nonpolar molecules.

True   False

31. A covalent bond is formed between an anion and a cation.

True   False

#### **Multiple Choice Questions**

32. The important solvent associated with living things is \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. benzene
- B. sodium chloride
- C. water
- D. carbon dioxide
- E. ethyl alcohol

#### **True / False Questions**

33. The concentration of a solution expresses the amount of solvent present.

True   False

#### **Multiple Choice Questions**

34. In the cell cytoplasm, molecules of ATP are a \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. solute
- B. solvent

35. Burning coal produces sulfur dioxide in the atmosphere. When combined with rain that falls into bodies of water, this leads to

- A. a greater concentration of  $\text{OH}^-$  ions in the water.
- B. a decrease in the pH level of the water.
- C. an increase in pH level of the water.
- D. no change in the pH level of the water.

36. Compared to a solution of pH 9, a solution of pH 7

- A. is more basic.
- B. has more  $\text{H}^+$  ions.
- C. has a higher pH.
- D. has no  $\text{OH}^-$  ions.

37. Compared to a solution of pH 9, a solution of pH 7 is

- A. 20 times more basic.
- B. 2 times more acidic.
- C. 100 times more acidic.
- D. 100 times more basic.
- E. 20 times more acidic.

#### True / False Questions

38. If solution A has a lower pH compared to solution B, then solution A is more acidic than solution B.

True    False

#### Multiple Choice Questions

39. One technique for staining bacteria for viewing under the microscope is called the Gram stain. In this technique, alcohol is used as a decolorizer because it degrades the outer membrane found in some bacteria. What chemical component of the cell

does alcohol affect?

- A. Protein
- B. Lipid
- C. Nucleic acids
- D. Carbohydrate

40. What type of bond is formed by dehydration synthesis between two amino acids?

- A. Ester
- B. Peptide
- C. Phosphate
- D. Disulfide
- E. Glycosidic

41. The purine \_\_\_\_\_ always hydrogen bonds with the pyrimidine \_\_\_\_\_ in double-stranded DNA.

- A. cytosine; guanine
- B. thymine; guanine
- C. guanine; cytosine
- D. adenine; guanine

#### True / False Questions

42. The only part of an amino acid that differs from other amino acids is its R group.

True   False

#### Multiple Choice Questions

43. In what way would life be different if the element carbon was absent?

- A. There would be no organic compounds.
- B. There would be no inorganic compounds.
- C. Life would not exist in any shape or form.
- D. The concept of pH would not exist.

44. A student forgot to label a beaker containing a DNA solution and a beaker containing a glucose solution. If chemical analysis was performed to identify the contents of each beaker, which of the following would be found in the beaker of DNA but not in the beaker with glucose?
- A. Nitrogen and phosphorus
  - B. Carbon atoms
  - C. Hydrogen and oxygen atoms
  - D. Fatty acids
  - E. Amino acids

#### True / False Questions

45. All proteins are enzymes.

True   False

#### Multiple Choice Questions

46. Which of the following functional groups is mismatched to the organic compound in which it is typically found?

- A. Carboxyl - fatty acids
- B. Amino - proteins
- C. Hydroxyl - alcohols
- D. Sulfhydryl - proteins
- E. Phosphate - carbohydrates

47. Most biochemical macromolecules are polymers, which are chains of \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. hydrophobic molecules
- B. hydrogen bonds
- C. repeating carbohydrates
- D. electrolytic molecules
- E. repeating monomers

48. All of the following are monosaccharides except \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. glycogen
- B. fructose
- C. glucose
- D. deoxyribose

49. Which of the following would have glycosidic bonds?

- A. Monosaccharides
- B. Polypeptides
- C. Triglycerides
- D. ATP
- E. Polysaccharides

50. Starch is the primary storage food for all of the following except \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. algae
- B. some fungi
- C. green plants
- D. animals

51. Select the statement that most accurately reflects the process of plant material digestion in humans.

- A. It requires the action of enzymes called kinases.
- B. It is linked to the digestion of glycogen.
- C. It is a process that is dependent upon enzyme (cellulase) production by gut microbiota.
- D. It is a very efficient process that produces very little undigested material in feces.

52. All of the following are lipids except \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. wax
- B. cholesterol
- C. phospholipid
- D. starch
- E. triglyceride

53. What part of a phospholipid comprises the hydrophobic tail?

- A. Alcohol
- B. Hydroxyl
- C. Phosphate
- D. Glycerol
- E. Fatty acids

54. A fat is called \_\_\_\_\_ if all carbons of the fatty acid chain are single-bonded to 2 other carbons and 2 hydrogens.

- A. monounsaturated
- B. unsaturated
- C. polyunsaturated
- D. saturated

55. The building blocks of an enzyme are \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. nucleotides
- B. monosaccharides
- C. amino acids
- D. glycerol and fatty acids
- E. phosphate, glycerol, and fatty acids

56. An amino acid contains all of the following except a/n \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. phosphate
- B.  $\alpha$  carbon
- C. carboxyl group
- D. variable R group
- E. amino group

57. An example of an amphipathic molecule found in living cells is \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. phospholipid
- B. nucleic acid
- C. protein
- D. ATP
- E. glucose

58. The lipid group that serves as energy storage molecules is the \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. triglycerides
- B. prostaglandins
- C. steroids
- D. phospholipids
- E. waxes

59. All of the following are polysaccharides except

- A. dextran in some bacterial slime layers.
- B. agar used to make solid culture media.
- C. cellulose in certain cell walls.
- D. sterols in cell membranes.
- E. a cell's glycocalyx.

60. The lipid group that is the major component of cell membranes is the \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. waxes
- B. steroids
- C. prostaglandins
- D. triglycerides
- E. phospholipids

#### True / False Questions

61. Nucleic acids have primary, secondary, tertiary, and quaternary levels of organization.

True    False

#### Multiple Choice Questions

62. Which of the following statements is incorrect regarding protein structure?

- A. Proteins, such as antibodies that are comprised of multiple polypeptide chains, have quaternary structure.
- B. The folding of a protein to form its active site creates its tertiary structure.
- C. Beta-pleated sheets are a type of protein secondary structure.
- D. The sequence of nucleotides determines the primary structure of a protein.

63. Which of the following is not true about enzymes?

- A. Enzymes are found in all cells.
- B. Enzymes can be denaturated by heat and other agents.
- C. Enzymes participate in the cell's chemical reactions.
- D. Enzymes have high-energy bonds between phosphates.
- E. Enzymes are catalysts.

64. The alpha ( $\alpha$ ) helix is a type of \_\_\_\_\_ protein structure.

- A. primary
- B. secondary
- C. tertiary
- D. quaternary

#### True / False Questions

65. The most important outcome of polypeptide intrachain bonding and folding is the unique shape of the protein.

True   False

#### Multiple Choice Questions

66. ATP differs from the nucleotides found in DNA in the

- A. use of phosphate instead of sulfate in the backbone.
- B. use of phosphorus in the nitrogenous base portion of the molecule.
- C. sugar portion of the molecule.
- D. use of uracil in the nitrogenous base portion of the molecule.
- E. use of adenosine instead of adenine.

### True / False Questions

67. A new organism was identified that contained arsenic in place of phosphate in its DNA double helix structure. Based upon this information alone, it can be determined that this change will greatly alter the information encoded by this genetic material.

True   False

### Multiple Choice Questions

68. One nucleotide contains one

A. phosphate.  
B. pentose sugar.  
C. nitrogen base.  
D. All of the choices are correct.

69. Purines and pyrimidines are components in the building block units of all \_\_\_\_\_.

A. amino acids  
B. polysaccharides  
C. carbohydrates  
D. enzymes  
E. nucleic acids

70. Which of the following is not a pyrimidine?

A. Adenine  
B. Thymine  
C. Cytosine  
D. Uracil

71. Which pertains to DNA but not to RNA?

- A. Contains ribose
- B. Contains nucleotides
- C. Contains thymine
- D. Contains adenine
- E. Contains uracil

72. Which of the following is a correct description of a component of the ATP molecule?

- A. Sugar: deoxyribose
- B. Sugar: ribose
- C. Nitrogenous base: alanine
- D. High energy bond: peptide bond
- E. High energy bond: glycosidic bond

73. ATP is best described as

- A. a double helix.
- B. the energy molecule of cells.
- C. an electron carrier.
- D. an enzyme.

74. A culture of an organism believed to cause intestinal symptoms is viewed under the microscope, and the microbiologist observes a cell membrane, flagella, mitochondria, and some dark unrecognizable structures within each cell. The microbiologist notes that the cells are eukaryotic because

- A. the dark structures must be the cell nuclei.
- B. only eukaryotic cells have a cell membrane.
- C. only eukaryotic cells have flagella.
- D. only eukaryotic cells have mitochondria.

75. NASA has published a list of criteria for identifying fossil bacteria in samples from Mars, as part of a search for evidence of life. Which of the following is good evidence for the presence of bacterial cells?

- A. Three-dimensional organization of cells in a starburst pattern
- B. No evidence of water in the surrounding mineral
- C. Cell size of 0.5 to 2 microns
- D. Absence of carbon in the material

76. Characteristics shared by all cells include

- A. a membrane serving as a cell boundary.
- B. the possession of genetic information.
- C. the presence of cellular fluid.
- D. All of the choices are correct.

77. All cells contain

- A. uracil in their DNA.
- B. ribosomes for protein synthesis.
- C. cell walls made of cellulose.
- D. organelles for compartmentalization.
- E. mitochondria to generate ATP.

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*Blooms Level: 1. Remember*

*Learning Outcome: 02.01 Explain the relationship between atoms and elements.*

*Learning Outcome: 02.02 List and define four types of chemical bonds.*

*Section: 02.01*

*Topic: Basic Chemistry*

2. Anything that occupies space and has mass is called \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. matter**
- B. energy
- C. living
- D. space
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3. The electrons of an atom are

- A. moving in pathways called orbitals.
- B. used to determine atomic number.
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- D. always equal to the number of neutrons in an atom.
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4. The electrons of an atom are

- A. used to determine the atomic weight.
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*Section: 02.02*  
*Topic: Biochemistry*

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*Section: 02.02*

*Topic: Biochemistry*

### True / False Questions

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**FALSE**

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*Learning Outcome: 02.01 Explain the relationship between atoms and elements.*

*Section: 02.01*

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*Topic: Basic Chemistry*

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22. A reaction where an electron is lost is called \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. oxidation
- B. reduction
- C. ionization
- D. decomposition
- E. dissolution

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23. Ionic bonds

- A. result from like charge attraction.
- B. result from transferring electrons.**
- C. are the weakest chemical bonds.
- D. always involve carbon.
- E. result from sharing electrons.

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24. Hydrogen bonds

- A. result from attractive forces between molecules with polar covalent bonds.**
- B. are the strongest bonds between molecules.
- C. result from attractive forces between molecules with polar ionic bonds.
- D. result from attractive forces between molecules with nonpolar ionic bonds.
- E. result from attractive forces between molecules with nonpolar covalent bonds.

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25. Atoms that gain or lose electrons become charged particles called \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. ions**
- B. isotopes
- C. anions
- D. cations

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26. Which of the following represents a synthesis reaction?

- A.  $AB \rightarrow A + B$
- B.  $A + B \rightarrow AB$**
- C.  $AB + XY \rightarrow AY + XB$
- D.  $AB + XY \leftrightarrow AY + XB$

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27. Which of the following represents a reversible reaction?

- A.  $A + B \rightarrow AB$
- B.  $AB \rightarrow A + B$
- C.  $AB + XY \leftrightarrow AY + XB$**
- D.  $AB + XY \rightarrow AY + XB$

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28. Ionic compounds

- A. are basic in solution.
- B. are acidic in solution.
- C. are hydrophobic.
- D. are hydrophilic.**
- E. always form salts in solution.

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#### True / False Questions

29. Water molecules are nonpolar molecules.

**FALSE**

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ASM Topic: Module 03 Metabolic Pathways

Blooms Level: 1. Remember

Learning Outcome: 02.02 List and define four types of chemical bonds.

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Topic: Basic Chemistry

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30. Polar molecules have more reactivity compared to nonpolar molecules.

**TRUE**

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ASM Topic: Module 03 Metabolic Pathways

Blooms Level: 2. Understand

Learning Outcome: 02.02 List and define four types of chemical bonds.

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Topic: Basic Chemistry

31. A covalent bond is formed between an anion and a cation.

**FALSE**

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ASM Topic: Module 03 Metabolic Pathways

Blooms Level: 1. Remember

Learning Outcome: 02.02 List and define four types of chemical bonds.

Section: 02.01

Topic: Basic Chemistry

#### Multiple Choice Questions

32. The important solvent associated with living things is \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. benzene
- B. sodium chloride
- C. water**
- D. carbon dioxide
- E. ethyl alcohol

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ASM Topic: Module 03 Metabolic Pathways  
Blooms Level: 1. Remember  
Learning Outcome: 02.03 Differentiate between a solute and a solvent.  
Section: 02.01  
Topic: Basic Chemistry

### True / False Questions

33. The concentration of a solution expresses the amount of solvent present.

**FALSE**

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ASM Topic: Module 03 Metabolic Pathways  
Blooms Level: 2. Understand  
Learning Outcome: 02.03 Differentiate between a solute and a solvent.  
Section: 02.01  
Topic: Basic Chemistry

### Multiple Choice Questions

34. In the cell cytoplasm, molecules of ATP are a \_\_\_\_\_.

- A.** solute
- B. solvent

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ASM Topic: Module 02 Structure and Function  
Blooms Level: 3. Apply  
Learning Outcome: 02.03 Differentiate between a solute and a solvent.  
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Topic: Basic Chemistry  
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35. Burning coal produces sulfur dioxide in the atmosphere. When combined with rain that falls into bodies of water, this leads to

- A. a greater concentration of  $\text{OH}^-$  ions in the water.
- B.** a decrease in the pH level of the water.
- C. an increase in pH level of the water.
- D. no change in the pH level of the water.

ASM Objective: 03.02 The interactions of microorganisms among themselves and with their environment are determined by their metabolic abilities (e.g., quorum sensing, oxygen consumption, nitrogen transformations).  
ASM Topic: Module 03 Metabolic Pathways  
Blooms Level: 3. Apply  
Learning Outcome: 02.04 Provide a brief definition of pH.  
Section: 02.01  
Topic: Basic Chemistry

36. Compared to a solution of pH 9, a solution of pH 7

- A. is more basic.
- B.** has more  $\text{H}^+$  ions.
- C. has a higher pH.
- D. has no  $\text{OH}^-$  ions.

ASM Objective: 03.02 The interactions of microorganisms among themselves and with their environment are determined by their metabolic abilities (e.g., quorum sensing, oxygen consumption, nitrogen transformations).  
ASM Topic: Module 03 Metabolic Pathways  
Blooms Level: 2. Understand  
Learning Outcome: 02.04 Provide a brief definition of pH.  
Section: 02.01  
Topic: Basic Chemistry

37. Compared to a solution of pH 9, a solution of pH 7 is

- A. 20 times more basic.
- B. 2 times more acidic.
- C.** 100 times more acidic.
- D. 100 times more basic.
- E. 20 times more acidic.

ASM Objective: 03.02 The interactions of microorganisms among themselves and with their environment are determined by their metabolic abilities (e.g., quorum sensing, oxygen consumption, nitrogen transformations).  
ASM Topic: Module 03 Metabolic Pathways  
Blooms Level: 3. Apply  
Learning Outcome: 02.04 Provide a brief definition of pH.  
Section: 02.01  
Topic: Basic Chemistry

#### True / False Questions

38. If solution A has a lower pH compared to solution B, then solution A is more acidic than solution B.

**TRUE**

*ASM Objective: 03.02 The interactions of microorganisms among themselves and with their environment are determined by their metabolic abilities (e.g., quorum sensing, oxygen consumption, nitrogen transformations).*

*ASM Topic: Module 05 Systems*

*Blooms Level: 2. Understand*

*Learning Outcome: 02.04 Provide a brief definition of pH.*

*Section: 02.01*

*Topic: Basic Chemistry*

### Multiple Choice Questions

39. One technique for staining bacteria for viewing under the microscope is called the Gram stain. In this technique, alcohol is used as a decolorizer because it degrades the outer membrane found in some bacteria. What chemical component of the cell does alcohol affect?

A. Protein

**B. Lipid**

C. Nucleic acids

D. Carbohydrate

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*ASM Topic: Module 03 Metabolic Pathways*

*Blooms Level: 3. Apply*

*Learning Outcome: 02.05 Name the four main families of biochemicals.*

*Learning Outcome: 02.06 Provide examples of cell components made from each of the families of biochemicals.*

*Section: 02.02*

*Topic: Biochemistry*

40. What type of bond is formed by dehydration synthesis between two amino acids?

A. Ester

**B. Peptide**

C. Phosphate

D. Disulfide

E. Glycosidic

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*ASM Topic: Module 03 Metabolic Pathways*

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*Topic: Biochemistry*

41. The purine \_\_\_\_\_ always hydrogen bonds with the pyrimidine \_\_\_\_\_ in double-stranded DNA.

- A. cytosine; guanine
- B. thymine; guanine
- C. guanine; cytosine**
- D. adenine; guanine

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*Topic: Biochemistry*

### True / False Questions

42. The only part of an amino acid that differs from other amino acids is its R group.

**TRUE**

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### Multiple Choice Questions

43. In what way would life be different if the element carbon was absent?

- A.** There would be no organic compounds.
- B. There would be no inorganic compounds.
- C. Life would not exist in any shape or form.
- D. The concept of pH would not exist.

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*Blooms Level: 3. Apply*  
*Learning Outcome: 02.05 Name the four main families of biochemicals.*  
*Section: 02.02*  
*Topic: Biochemistry*

44. A student forgot to label a beaker containing a DNA solution and a beaker containing a glucose solution. If chemical analysis was performed to identify the contents of each beaker, which of the following would be found in the beaker of DNA but not in the beaker with glucose?

- A.** Nitrogen and phosphorus
- B. Carbon atoms
- C. Hydrogen and oxygen atoms
- D. Fatty acids
- E. Amino acids

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*ASM Topic: Module 03 Metabolic Pathways*  
*Blooms Level: 4. Analyze*  
*Learning Outcome: 02.05 Name the four main families of biochemicals.*  
*Section: 02.02*  
*Topic: Biochemistry*

#### True / False Questions

45. All proteins are enzymes.

**FALSE**

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*ASM Topic: Module 03 Metabolic Pathways*  
*Blooms Level: 2. Understand*  
*Learning Outcome: 02.05 Name the four main families of biochemicals.*  
*Section: 02.02*  
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## Multiple Choice Questions

46. Which of the following functional groups is mismatched to the organic compound in which it is typically found?

- A. Carboxyl - fatty acids
- B. Amino - proteins
- C. Hydroxyl - alcohols
- D. Sulfhydryl - proteins
- E. Phosphate - carbohydrates**

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*ASM Topic: Module 03 Metabolic Pathways*

*Blooms Level: 3. Apply*

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*Topic: Biochemistry*

47. Most biochemical macromolecules are polymers, which are chains of \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. hydrophobic molecules
- B. hydrogen bonds
- C. repeating carbohydrates
- D. electrolytic molecules
- E. repeating monomers**

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*ASM Topic: Module 03 Metabolic Pathways*

*Blooms Level: 1. Remember*

*Learning Outcome: 02.05 Name the four main families of biochemicals.*

*Section: 02.02*

*Topic: Biochemistry*

48. All of the following are monosaccharides except \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. glycogen**
- B. fructose
- C. glucose
- D. deoxyribose

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*ASM Topic: Module 03 Metabolic Pathways*

*Blooms Level: 1. Remember*

*Learning Outcome: 02.05 Name the four main families of biochemicals.*

*Section: 02.02*

*Topic: Biochemistry*

49. Which of the following would have glycosidic bonds?

- A. Monosaccharides
- B. Polypeptides
- C. Triglycerides
- D. ATP
- E. Polysaccharides

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*Section: 02.02*  
*Topic: Biochemistry*

50. Starch is the primary storage food for all of the following except \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. algae
- B. some fungi
- C. green plants
- D. animals

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51. Select the statement that most accurately reflects the process of plant material digestion in humans.

- A. It requires the action of enzymes called kinases.
- B. It is linked to the digestion of glycogen.
- C. It is a process that is dependent upon enzyme (cellulase) production by gut microbiota.
- D. It is a very efficient process the produces very little undigested material in feces.

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52. All of the following are lipids except \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. wax
- B. cholesterol
- C. phospholipid
- D. starch
- E. triglyceride

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53. What part of a phospholipid comprises the hydrophobic tail?

- A. Alcohol
- B. Hydroxyl
- C. Phosphate
- D. Glycerol
- E. Fatty acids

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54. A fat is called \_\_\_\_\_ if all carbons of the fatty acid chain are single-bonded to 2 other carbons and 2 hydrogens.

- A. monounsaturated
- B. unsaturated
- C. polyunsaturated
- D. saturated

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55. The building blocks of an enzyme are \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. nucleotides
- B. monosaccharides
- C. amino acids**
- D. glycerol and fatty acids
- E. phosphate, glycerol, and fatty acids

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*Topic: Biochemistry*

56. An amino acid contains all of the following except a/n \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. phosphate**
- B.  $\alpha$  carbon
- C. carboxyl group
- D. variable R group
- E. amino group

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*Section: 02.02*

*Topic: Biochemistry*

57. An example of an amphipathic molecule found in living cells is \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. phospholipid**
- B. nucleic acid
- C. protein
- D. ATP
- E. glucose

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*Learning Outcome: 02.05 Name the four main families of biochemicals.*

*Section: 02.02*

*Topic: Biochemistry*

58. The lipid group that serves as energy storage molecules is the \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. triglycerides
- B. prostaglandins
- C. steroids
- D. phospholipids
- E. waxes

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*ASM Topic: Module 03 Metabolic Pathways*

*Blooms Level: 1. Remember*

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*Section: 02.02*

*Topic: Biochemistry*

59. All of the following are polysaccharides except

- A. dextran in some bacterial slime layers.
- B. agar used to make solid culture media.
- C. cellulose in certain cell walls.
- D. sterols in cell membranes.
- E. a cell's glycocalyx.

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*Blooms Level: 2. Understand*

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*Section: 02.02*

*Topic: Biochemistry*

60. The lipid group that is the major component of cell membranes is the \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. waxes
- B. steroids
- C. prostaglandins
- D. triglycerides
- E. phospholipids

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*ASM Topic: Module 03 Metabolic Pathways*

*Blooms Level: 1. Remember*

*Learning Outcome: 02.06 Provide examples of cell components made from each of the families of biochemicals.*

*Section: 02.02*

*Topic: Biochemistry*

#### True / False Questions

61. Nucleic acids have primary, secondary, tertiary, and quaternary levels of organization.

**FALSE**

*ASM Objective: 04.02 Although the central dogma is universal in all cells, the processes of replication, transcription, and translation differ in Bacteria, Archaea, and Eukaryotes.*

*ASM Topic: Module 04 Information Flow*

*Blooms Level: 2. Understand*

*Learning Outcome: 02.07 Differentiate among primary, secondary, tertiary, and quaternary levels of protein structure.*

*Section: 02.02*

*Topic: Biochemistry*

### Multiple Choice Questions

62. Which of the following statements is incorrect regarding protein structure?

- A. Proteins, such as antibodies that are comprised of multiple polypeptide chains, have quaternary structure.
- B. The folding of a protein to form its active site creates its tertiary structure.
- C. Beta-pleated sheets are a type of protein secondary structure.
- D.** The sequence of nucleotides determines the primary structure of a protein.

*ASM Objective: 02.01 The structure and function of microorganisms have been revealed by the use of microscopy (including bright field, phase contrast, fluorescent, and electron).*

*ASM Topic: Module 02 Structure and Function*

*Blooms Level: 2. Understand*

*Learning Outcome: 02.07 Differentiate among primary, secondary, tertiary, and quaternary levels of protein structure.*

*Section: 02.02*

*Topic: Biochemistry*

63. Which of the following is not true about enzymes?

- A. Enzymes are found in all cells.
- B. Enzymes can be denaturated by heat and other agents.
- C. Enzymes participate in the cell's chemical reactions.
- D.** Enzymes have high-energy bonds between phosphates.
- E. Enzymes are catalysts.

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*ASM Topic: Module 03 Metabolic Pathways*

*Blooms Level: 2. Understand*

*Learning Outcome: 02.07 Differentiate among primary, secondary, tertiary, and quaternary levels of protein structure.*

*Section: 02.02*

*Topic: Biochemistry*

64. The alpha ( $\alpha$ ) helix is a type of \_\_\_\_\_ protein structure.

- A. primary
- B. secondary**
- C. tertiary
- D. quaternary

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*ASM Topic: Module 03 Metabolic Pathways*

*Blooms Level: 1. Remember*

*Learning Outcome: 02.07 Differentiate among primary, secondary, tertiary, and quaternary levels of protein structure.*

*Section: 02.02*

*Topic: Biochemistry*

### True / False Questions

65. The most important outcome of polypeptide intrachain bonding and folding is the unique shape of the protein.

**TRUE**

*ASM Objective: 03.02 The interactions of microorganisms among themselves and with their environment are determined by their metabolic abilities (e.g., quorum sensing, oxygen consumption, nitrogen transformations).*

*ASM Topic: Module 03 Metabolic Pathways*

*Blooms Level: 1. Remember*

*Learning Outcome: 02.07 Differentiate among primary, secondary, tertiary, and quaternary levels of protein structure.*

*Section: 02.02*

*Topic: Biochemistry*

### Multiple Choice Questions

66. ATP differs from the nucleotides found in DNA in the

- A. use of phosphate instead of sulfate in the backbone.
- B. use of phosphorus in the nitrogenous base portion of the molecule.
- C. sugar portion of the molecule.**
- D. use of uracil in the nitrogenous base portion of the molecule.
- E. use of adenosine instead of adenine.

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*ASM Topic: Module 02 Structure and Function*

*Blooms Level: 3. Apply*

*Learning Outcome: 02.08 List the three components of nucleotides.*

*Learning Outcome: 02.09 Name the nitrogen bases of DNA and of RNA.*

*Learning Outcome: 02.10 List the three components of ATP.*

*Section: 02.02*

*Topic: Biochemistry*

## True / False Questions

67. A new organism was identified that contained arsenic in place of phosphate in its DNA double helix structure. Based upon this information alone, it can be determined that this change will greatly alter the information encoded by this genetic material.

**FALSE**

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*ASM Topic: Module 04 Information Flow*

*Blooms Level: 3. Apply*

*Learning Outcome: 02.08 List the three components of nucleotides.*

*Section: 02.02*

*Topic: Biochemistry*

## Multiple Choice Questions

68. One nucleotide contains one

- A. phosphate.
- B. pentose sugar.
- C. nitrogen base.
- D.** All of the choices are correct.

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*ASM Topic: Module 03 Metabolic Pathways*

*Blooms Level: 1. Remember*

*Learning Outcome: 02.08 List the three components of nucleotides.*

*Section: 02.02*

*Topic: Biochemistry*

69. Purines and pyrimidines are components in the building block units of all \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. amino acids
- B. polysaccharides
- C. carbohydrates
- D. enzymes
- E.** nucleic acids

*ASM Objective: 03.03 The survival and growth of any microorganism in a given environment depends on its metabolic characteristics.*

*ASM Topic: Module 03 Metabolic Pathways*

*Blooms Level: 1. Remember*

*Learning Outcome: 02.08 List the three components of nucleotides.*

*Section: 02.02*

*Topic: Biochemistry*

70. Which of the following is not a pyrimidine?

- A. Adenine
- B. Thymine
- C. Cytosine
- D. Uracil

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*ASM Topic: Module 04 Information Flow*  
*Blooms Level: 1. Remember*  
*Learning Outcome: 02.09 Name the nitrogen bases of DNA and of RNA.*  
*Section: 02.02*  
*Topic: Biochemistry*

71. Which pertains to DNA but not to RNA?

- A. Contains ribose
- B. Contains nucleotides
- C. Contains thymine
- D. Contains adenine
- E. Contains uracil

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*ASM Topic: Module 04 Information Flow*  
*Blooms Level: 2. Understand*  
*Learning Outcome: 02.09 Name the nitrogen bases of DNA and of RNA.*  
*Section: 02.02*  
*Topic: Biochemistry*

72. Which of the following is a correct description of a component of the ATP molecule?

- A. Sugar: deoxyribose
- B. Sugar: ribose
- C. Nitrogenous base: alanine
- D. High energy bond: peptide bond
- E. High energy bond: glycosidic bond

*ASM Objective: 02.01 The structure and function of microorganisms have been revealed by the use of microscopy (including bright field, phase contrast, fluorescent, and electron).*  
*ASM Topic: Module 02 Structure and Function*  
*Blooms Level: 2. Understand*  
*Learning Outcome: 02.10 List the three components of ATP.*  
*Section: 02.02*  
*Topic: Biochemistry*

73. ATP is best described as

- A. a double helix.
- B. the energy molecule of cells.**
- C. an electron carrier.
- D. an enzyme.

*ASM Objective: 03.03 The survival and growth of any microorganism in a given environment depends on its metabolic characteristics.*

*ASM Topic: Module 03 Metabolic Pathways*

*Blooms Level: 1. Remember*

*Learning Outcome: 02.10 List the three components of ATP.*

*Section: 02.02*

*Topic: Biochemistry*

74. A culture of an organism believed to cause intestinal symptoms is viewed under the microscope, and the microbiologist observes a cell membrane, flagella, mitochondria, and some dark unrecognizable structures within each cell. The microbiologist notes that the cells are eukaryotic because

- A. the dark structures must be the cell nuclei.
- B. only eukaryotic cells have a cell membrane.
- C. only eukaryotic cells have flagella.
- D. only eukaryotic cells have mitochondria.**

*ASM Objective: 02.01 The structure and function of microorganisms have been revealed by the use of microscopy (including bright field, phase contrast, fluorescent, and electron).*

*ASM Topic: Module 02 Structure and Function*

*Blooms Level: 4. Analyze*

*Learning Outcome: 02.11 Recall three characteristics common to all cells.*

*Section: 02.03*

*Topic: Biochemistry*

75. NASA has published a list of criteria for identifying fossil bacteria in samples from Mars, as part of a search for evidence of life. Which of the following is good evidence for the presence of bacterial cells?

- A. Three-dimensional organization of cells in a starburst pattern
- B. No evidence of water in the surrounding mineral
- C. Cell size of 0.5 to 2 microns**
- D. Absence of carbon in the material

*ASM Objective: 02.01 The structure and function of microorganisms have been revealed by the use of microscopy (including bright field, phase contrast, fluorescent, and electron).*

*ASM Topic: Module 02 Structure and Function*

*Blooms Level: 3. Apply*

*Learning Outcome: 02.11 Recall three characteristics common to all cells.*

*Section: 02.03*

*Topic: Biochemistry*

76. Characteristics shared by all cells include

- A. a membrane serving as a cell boundary.
- B. the possession of genetic information.
- C. the presence of cellular fluid.
- D.** All of the choices are correct.

*ASM Objective: 02.04 While microscopic eukaryotes (for example, fungi, protozoa, and algae) carry out some of the same processes as bacteria, many of the cellular properties are fundamentally different.*

*ASM Topic: Module 02 Structure and Function*

*Blooms Level: 1. Remember*

*Learning Outcome: 02.11 Recall three characteristics common to all cells.*

*Section: 02.02*

*Topic: Biochemistry*

77. All cells contain

- A. uracil in their DNA.
- B.** ribosomes for protein synthesis.
- C. cell walls made of cellulose.
- D. organelles for compartmentalization.
- E. mitochondria to generate ATP.

*ASM Objective: 02.01 The structure and function of microorganisms have been revealed by the use of microscopy (including bright field, phase contrast, fluorescent, and electron).*

*ASM Topic: Module 02 Structure and Function*

*Blooms Level: 1. Remember*

*Learning Outcome: 02.11 Recall three characteristics common to all cells.*

*Section: 02.03*

*Topic: Biochemistry*

# CH-02: Test Bank Summary

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| ASM Objective: 02.01 The structure and function of microorganisms have been revealed by the use of microscopy (including bright field, phase contrast, fluorescent, and electron).                                    | 7                     |
| ASM Objective: 02.04 While microscopic eukaryotes (for example, fungi, protozoa, and algae) carry out some of the same processes as bacteria, many of the cellular properties are fundamentally different.            | 1                     |
| ASM Objective: 03.01 Bacteria and Archaea exhibit extensive, and often unique, metabolic diversity (e.g., nitrogen fixation, methane production, anoxygenic photosynthesis).                                          | 1                     |
| ASM Objective: 03.02 The interactions of microorganisms among themselves and with their environment are determined by their metabolic abilities (e.g., quorum sensing, oxygen consumption, nitrogen transformations). | 49                    |
| ASM Objective: 03.03 The survival and growth of any microorganism in a given environment depends on its metabolic characteristics.                                                                                    | 12                    |
| ASM Objective: 03.04 The growth of microorganisms can be controlled by physical, chemical, mechanical, or biological means.                                                                                           | 2                     |
| ASM Objective: 04.02 Although the central dogma is universal in all cells, the processes of replication, transcription, and translation differ in Bacteria, Archaea, and Eukaryotes.                                  | 5                     |
| ASM Topic: Module 02 Structure and Function                                                                                                                                                                           | 8                     |
| ASM Topic: Module 03 Metabolic Pathways                                                                                                                                                                               | 64                    |
| ASM Topic: Module 04 Information Flow                                                                                                                                                                                 | 5                     |
| ASM Topic: Module 05 Systems                                                                                                                                                                                          | 1                     |
| Blooms Level: 1. Remember                                                                                                                                                                                             | 41                    |
| Blooms Level: 2. Understand                                                                                                                                                                                           | 20                    |
| Blooms Level: 3. Apply                                                                                                                                                                                                | 14                    |
| Blooms Level: 4. Analyze                                                                                                                                                                                              | 2                     |
| Learning Outcome: 02.01 Explain the relationship between atoms and elements.                                                                                                                                          | 16                    |
| Learning Outcome: 02.02 List and define four types of chemical bonds.                                                                                                                                                 | 16                    |
| Learning Outcome: 02.03 Differentiate between a solute and a solvent.                                                                                                                                                 | 3                     |
| Learning Outcome: 02.04 Provide a brief definition of pH.                                                                                                                                                             | 4                     |
| Learning Outcome: 02.05 Name the four main families of biochemicals.                                                                                                                                                  | 19                    |
| Learning Outcome: 02.06 Provide examples of cell components made from each of the families of biochemicals.                                                                                                           | 7                     |
| Learning Outcome: 02.07 Differentiate among primary, secondary, tertiary, and quaternary levels of protein structure.                                                                                                 | 5                     |
| Learning Outcome: 02.08 List the three components of nucleotides.                                                                                                                                                     | 4                     |
| Learning Outcome: 02.09 Name the nitrogen bases of DNA and of RNA.                                                                                                                                                    | 3                     |
| Learning Outcome: 02.10 List the three components of ATP.                                                                                                                                                             | 3                     |
| Learning Outcome: 02.11 Recall three characteristics common to all cells.                                                                                                                                             | 4                     |
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