

Sample multiple-choice questions of Medical Biophysics exam

1. Which factor determines aggregation of lipid molecules in aqueous environment?

- a) Lateral diffusion
- b) Hydrophobic effect
- c) Van der Waals interactions
- d) Electrostatic interactions

2. Long fatty acid chains of phospholipid:

- a) Increases fluidity of the bilayer
- b) Does not change fluidity of the bilayer
- c) Decreases fluidity of the bilayer
- d) Decreases Van der Waals interaction

3. What is the function of ion channel dehydration filter?

- a) Decreases energy barrier for ion transport
- b) Increases energy barrier for ion transport
- c) Is involved in active transport of ions
- d) Decreases intensity of passive transport

4. Which Glucose transporter (GLUT) is insulin-dependent?

- a) GLUT1
- b) GLUT 2
- c) GLUT3 and GLUT5
- d) GLUT4

5. V_0V_1 ATPase:

- a) Synthesizes ATP in mitochondria
- b) Hydrolyses ATP in mitochondria
- c) Is located in the lysosomes and transports H^+ ions against the concentration gradient
- d) Is located in the lysosomes and transports H^+ ions down the concentration gradient

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1.

- a. Describe the fluid-mosaic model of the biological membrane.
- b. Formulate the structure of membrane lipids and their placement in the membrane;
- c. Characterize saturated and unsaturated phospholipids.
- d. What are the common properties of membrane lipids?

2.

- a. What is the difference between simple and facilitated passive transport?
- b. Describe kinetic of facilitated passive and simple passive transport. What is the saturation phenomenon?
- c. Describe mobile membrane carriers; Describe glucose transport systems (according to their localization);
- d. Describe glucose transport systems by mechanism of action (insulin-dependent and Insulin-independent)

3.

- a. Describe primary active transport
- b. Describe primary active ATP-ases.
- c. Describe P-class pump action mechanism; Describe K^+ / Na^+ pumps; What determines activity of K^+ / Na^+ pump?
- d. What is the function of K^+ / Na^+ pump? Is this pump electrogenic?

4.

- a. Name the mechanisms involved in the formation of membrane potential.
- b. Describe Donan's equilibrium; In which cells (in what condition) Donan's equilibrium has special significance?
- c. Name the mechanisms involved in the formation of action potential.
- d. What factors determine the speed of action potential propagation?

5.

- a. The signaling role of the Ca^{2+} ions in muscle contraction.
- b. The role of exiting stimulus in initiation of muscle contraction.
- c. The role of Ca^{2+} channels in muscle contraction process.
- d. The role of Ca-ATPase in muscle relaxation process