# Biological Molecules Multiple Choice 

## Question Paper 1

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| >69\% 56\% | 50\% | 42\% | 34\% | 26\% |

The image below shows isomaltulose, a disaccharide formed from $\alpha$-glucose and fructose.


Name the bond that holds the $\alpha$-glucose and the fructose together.
A
1,6-glycosidic bond
B phosphodiester bond
C ester bond
D
1,4-glycosidic bond

The hydroxyl ( -OH ) group of carbohydrates is polar and makes the molecule soluble in water. The greater the number of free hydroxyl groups as a proportion of the number of carbon atoms, the more soluble the carbohydrate.
[1]
Which of the rows, $\mathbf{A}$ to $\mathbf{D}$, lists the carbohydrates in order of most soluble to least soluble?

|  | Most soluble | $\longleftrightarrow$ | Least soluble |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| A | glucose | ribose | amylose | amylopectin |
| B | amylose | amylopectin | glycogen | ribose |
| C | glucose | ribose | amylopectin | amylose |
| D | ribose | amylose | glucose | amylopectin |

The table below shows four biological molecules and their component elements.
Which of the rows, $\mathbf{A}$ to $\mathbf{D}$, correctly identifies the elements in each molecule?

|  | sucrose | cholesterol | insulin | ATP |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| A | C, H, O | C, H, O, N | C, H, O, N, S | C, H, O, N, P |
| B | $\mathrm{C}, \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{O}, \mathrm{N}$ | $\mathrm{C}, \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{O}$ | $\mathrm{C}, \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{O}, \mathrm{N}, \mathrm{S}$ | $\mathrm{C}, \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{O}, \mathrm{N}, \mathrm{S}$ |
| C | $\mathrm{C}, \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{O}$ | $\mathrm{C}, \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{O}$ | $\mathrm{C}, \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{O}, \mathrm{N}, \mathrm{S}$ | $\mathrm{C}, \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{O}, \mathrm{N}, \mathrm{P}$ |
| D | $\mathrm{C}, \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{O}$ | $\mathrm{C}, \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{O}$ | C, H, O, N, P | C, H, O, N, P |

The following are a series of organic molecules and the chemical processes that occur to convert them into different molecules.

Which of the rows, $\mathbf{A}$ to $\mathbf{D}$, is correct?
A nucleic acid $\xrightarrow{\text { hydrolysis }}$ nucleotide $\xrightarrow{\text { hydrolysis }}$ polynucleotide
B $\alpha$-glucose $\xrightarrow{\text { condensation }}$ amylopectin $\xrightarrow{\text { hydrolysis }} \alpha$-glucose
C amino acid $\xrightarrow{\text { condensation }}$ dipeptide $\xrightarrow{\text { hydrolysis }}$ polypeptide
D $\beta$-glucose $\xrightarrow{\text { condensation }}$ cellulose $\xrightarrow{\text { condensation }}$ maltose

The following table describes the approximate percentage mass of different chemical elements in organic polymers.

|  | Polymer | $\mathbf{N}$ <br> (\%) | C <br> (\%) | $\mathbf{O}$ <br> (\%) | H <br> (\%) | $\mathbf{P}$ <br> (\%) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| A | nucleic acid | 20.0 | 30.0 | 20.0 | 10.0 | 20.0 |
| B | carbohydrate | 0.0 | 33.3 | 33.3 | 33.3 | 0.0 |
| C | protein | 30.0 | 10.0 | 10.0 | 0.0 | 50.0 |
| D | lipid | 0.0 | 50.0 | 49.0 | 1.0 | 0.0 |

Which of the rows, $\mathbf{A}$ to $\mathbf{D}$, is correct?

Which of the following processes involves the formation of ester bonds?
1 synthesis of polynucleotides
2 synthesis of triglycerides
3 synthesis of polypeptides
A. 1,2 and 3
B. Only 1 and 2
C. Only 2 and 3

D Only 1

Which of the following could not be an amino acid?
A

B

C

D


Lipids are a diverse group of chemicals that are neither polar nor charged and hence are insoluble in water. The $\qquad$ (1) $\qquad$ nature of the heads of phospholipids allows them to form membranes. ___(2) also contain fatty acids and form part of the membrane. Lipids can be used for energy storage in the form of_(3)_. Some hormones are also lipids and they are similar in structure to_(4)_. Which row shows the correct sequence of missing words?

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A hydrophilic glycolipids

B hydrophilic triglycerides

C hydrophobic
cholesterol molecules

D hydrophilic cholesterol
triglycerides
cholesterol molecules
cholesterol glycolipids molecules
triglycerides
triglycerides glycolipids

Water is known as the universal solvent as it has the ability to dissolve many ionic and covalent compounds due to its polar nature.

Which of the 3-carbon compounds will not form hydrogen bonds with water and will therefore not dissolve in water?

A glycerol


B propanoic acid


C propanol


D propane


Which of the options, $\mathbf{A}$ to $\mathbf{D}$, is a correct statement about polysaccharides of glucose?
A. Cellulose microfibrils are formed by hydrogen bonding between adjacent chains of $\alpha$-glucose molecules bonded with 1,4-glycosidic bonds.
B. Amylose is a straight chain of $\alpha$-glucose monomers bound by 1,6 -glycosidic bonds to allow for dense packing.
C. Glycogen has a high proportion of 1,6-glycosidic bonds to produce a highly branched molecule for rapid release of $\alpha$-glucose.
D. Amylopectin has a mixture of 1,4 -glycosidic and 1,6-glycosidic bonds between $\beta$-glucose molecules for rapid release of energy.

A group of students was given a $1 \%$ solution of an unknown digestive enzyme.
They were also given three tubes containing an identical mixture of foods.
The students carried out a different biochemical test on each tube before and after adding the unknown enzyme. Their results are shown in the table below.

|  | Colour before | Colour after |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| Biuret test | purple | purple |
| lodine test | blue / black | yellow / orange |
| Benedict's test | brick red | brick red |

Name the type of enzyme the students used.
A. protease
B. carbohydrase
C. lipase
D. cellulase

Which of the statements, $\mathbf{A}$ to $\mathbf{D}$, about amylopectin is correct?
A. it contains 1-4 and 1-6 glycosidic bonds between $\alpha$-glucose monomers
B. it is an unbranched chain of $\alpha$-glucose monomers
C. it contains $\alpha$ 1-4 and $\beta$ 1-6 glycosidic bonds
D. it is made up of $\beta$-glucose monomers and is uncoiled

Carbohydrates, such as starch, are made from monosaccharides joined together.
Which of the bonds, $\mathbf{A}$ to $\mathbf{D}$, joins monosaccharides together?
A. ester
B. glycosidic
C. peptide
D. phosphodiester

A student investigates some solutions, $\mathbf{X}, \mathbf{Y}$ and $\mathbf{Z}$, using paper chromatography. The results are shown below.


Which of the following options, $\mathbf{A}$ to $\mathbf{D}$, is the $R f$ value of $\mathbf{Z}$ ?
A 0.63
B 1.6
C 0.85
D 0.25

A group of students were investigating the diffusion of molecules across membranes using a 'model cell', as shown below.


Biochemical tests were used to identify the types of molecules present. The results are shown in the table below.

A tick $(\checkmark)$ represents a positive result.
Which of the rows, $\mathbf{A}$ to $\mathbf{D}$, shows the correct results for the 'cytoplasm' at the beginning of the experiment and the 'extracellular fluid' at the end of the experiment?

|  | Benedict's test |  | Biuret test |  | lodine test |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 'cytoplasm' | 'extracellular <br> fluid' | 'cytoplasm' | 'extracellular <br> fluid' | 'cytoplasm' | 'extracellular <br> fluid' |
| A |  |  | $\checkmark$ |  | $\checkmark$ |  |
| B |  | $\checkmark$ | $\checkmark$ | $\checkmark$ | $\checkmark$ |  |
| C | $\checkmark$ | $\checkmark$ |  |  | $\checkmark$ | $\checkmark$ |
| D | $\checkmark$ |  | $\checkmark$ |  | $\checkmark$ |  |

Which of the following formulae of fatty acids represents a saturated fatty acid?

Statement 1: $\quad$ Palmitic acid, $\mathrm{C}_{15} \mathrm{H}_{31} \mathrm{COOH}$
Statement 2: Oleic acid, $\mathrm{C}_{17} \mathrm{H}_{33} \mathrm{COOH}$
Statement 3: $\quad$ Linoleic acid, $\mathrm{C}_{17} \mathrm{H}_{31} \mathrm{COOH}$
A $\quad 1,2$ and 3
B $\quad$ Only 1 and 2
C $\quad$ Only 2 and 3
D Only 1

An unknown solution of a single sugar was tested. The results were recorded in Table 9.1.

| Colours observed after testing |  |
| :--- | :--- |
| Benedict's test for reducing sugars | Benedict's test for non-reducing sugars |
| blue | brick red |

Table 9.1
Identify the unknown sugar.
A. fructose
B. lactose
C. sucrose
D. glucose

