

84284 Signaling Pathways in Health and Disease

14 CFU

Exam Questions

Academic Year 2021/2022

Exam method

Students who regularly attended the course of Cell Signaling will be evaluated through a **four-hour FINAL EXAM**, a cumulative **written test** with both **multiple-choice and open-ended** response formats that include topics from all the teaching modules of the integrated course of Signaling Pathways in Health and Disease.

Final Grade Fractions:

- Cell Signaling 9/32 pts;
- Metabolic Biochemistry 14/32 pts;
- Physiology 9/32 pts.

→ MAX GRADE: 30 cum laude.

The final exam for the module of Physiology will be an open-ended question written test.

1st Appello - 06/2022

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Exam Questions

- Genova's exam was exactly this one: [:/](#)
- [/liveunibo-my.sharepoint.com/personal/lahav_constantini_studio_unibo_it/_layouts/15/onedrive.aspx?id=%2Fpersonal%2Flahav%5Fconstantini%5Fconstantini%5Fstudio%5Funibo%5Fit%2FDocuments%2FMed%26Sur%20%2D%20UniBo%20English%20Course%20%2D%20Master%20Drive%2F%F0%9F%9F%A2%20Exam%20Questions%20%F0%9F%99%8B%F0%9F%8F%BB%E2%9D%93%20%2B%20Course%20Reviews%20%F0%9F%92%AD%2FYear%201%2FSemester%202%2F%F0%9F%9F%A2%2084284%20Signaling%20Pathways%20in%20Health%20and%20Disease%2FSignaling%20Pathways%20%2D%20Written%20Exam%20%2D%2025%2E06%2E21%2Epdf&parent=%2Fpersonal%2Flahav%5Fconstantini%5Fstudio%5Funibo%5Fit%2FDocuments%2FMed%26Sur%20%2D%20UniBo%20English%20Course%20%2D%20Master%20Drive%2F%F0%9F%9F%A2%20Exam%20Questions%20%F0%9F%99%8B%F0%9F%8F%BB%E2%9D%93%20%2B%20Course%20Reviews%20%F0%9F%92%AD%2FYear%201%2FSemester%202%2F%F0%9F%9F%A2%2084284%20Signaling%20Pathways%20in%20Health%20and%20Disease https](#)

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- A lot of topics you had to explain quite confusing, you could make up stuff but idk how will he grade it.
 - Nernst equation, electrochemical potential, electrical properties of the membrane, Hodgkin cycle, action potential generation and restoration of membrane potential,

Goldman-Hodgkin-Katz equation, Ionic currents, the threshold, the regenerative mechanism, changes in ion conductance during the action, the refractory period.

- Autonomic nervous system, enteric system, autonomic reflexes The Autonomic Nervous System. Morphofunctional organization of the autonomic nervous system: sympathetic, parasympathetic and enteric divisions. Action of the sympathetic and parasympathetic systems on the main organs. Central control of the autonomic function.

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- 9 MCQ questions and explain why the other alternatives are wrong. (1pt each)
 - 0.5 pts for the right alternative + 0.5 for the justification
- 3 Open questions.
 - 1.5 pts for 2 of them and 2.0 pts for the last one

Exam Questions

- *I think all of the mcq questions were from the exercises on virtuale with the exact options*
- *Fill in the blanks with some questions repeated from previous year paper.*
- The open questions were also in it:
 - Write reactions of alternative pathway from **glucose 6-P** to **Fructose 6-P** (write every reaction)
 - Open question about **drawing the Pentose phosphate pathway scheme.**
 - The last open question was matching enzyme mutations with what **pathologies** it may cause and explaining why you chose it as well

1. Which of the following do you expect may contribute to elevated glycemia?

- A. Glycolysis
- B. glycogenolysis**
- C. Glucokinase reaction
- D. Pentose phosphate shunt
- E. GSK3 phosphorylation

2. Only one answer is wrong. Pyruvate carboxylase

- A. Is present in both mitochondria and cytosol. (Only in mitochondria!)**
- B. Has covalently bound biotin as prosthetic group
- C. Is activated by AcetylCoA
- D. Requires ATP
- E. Catalyzes an anaplerotic reaction

3. Concerning muscle glycogen

- A. It is formed starting from blood glucose during exercise
- B. When broken down it contributes significantly to blood glucose levels
- C. Its breakdown occurs by reacting with inorganic phosphate**
- D. Glucagon stimulates its breakdown
- E. The 1-6 glycosidic bond in its branches is broken by an isozyme of phosphorylase

4. One of these statements is false

- A. The reducing power of fatty acids biosynthesis is obtained by glucose oxidation
- B. All carbon atoms of glucose will be found in palmitic acid**
- C. Fatty acid biosynthesis is stimulated by insulin
- D. AcetylCoA carboxylase may be phosphorylated
- E. AcetylCoA carboxylase is activated by citrate

5. Concerning fatty acid biosynthesis

- A. Citrate activates fatty acid biosynthesis**
- B. Phosphorylation of fatty acid synthase is required for palmitate biosynthesis
- C. Excess AcetylCoA inhibits FA biosynthesis
- D. FA synthase may synthesize C16, C18, C20
- E. The carbon atom of CO₂ used for AcetylCoA carboxylase will be incorporated into palmitic acid

6. Chylomicrons

- A. Are carried to the liver by portal circulation
- B. Contain free fatty acids deriving from digestion
- C. Undergo triglyceride hydrolysis by lipoprotein lipase**
- D. Release glycerol into adipocytes to be used for triacylglycerol re-synthesis
- E. Are the only lipoproteins that do not contain phospholipids

7. Type-2 diabetics are often obese because

- A. Lack of insulin stimulates transcription of fatty acid biosynthesis enzymes
- B. Obesity and over feeding favor diabetes arousal**
- C. Lack of insulin inhibits lipolysis in adipose tissue
- D. Lack of insulin enhances the transport of citrate in the cytosol
- E. Glucocorticoids enhance lipogenesis

8. Which of these is a substrate for ribonucleotide reductase?

- A. AMP
- B. ADP**
- C. ATP
- D. DADP
- E. DAMP

9. Which of these are substrates of thymidylate synthase?

- A. DUMP and methylFH₄
- B. UMP and methylFH₄
- C. DUMP and methyleneFH₄**
- D. DUDP and methyleneFH₄
- E. UDP and methyleneFH₄

10. PPP all the pathway and write all the reactions involved

11. Associate the enzymatic defects with the pathologies

- LDL receptor - hypercholesterolemia
- Glutamate decarboxylation enzyme - altered GABA neurotransmission

- Lipoprotein lipase - hypertriglyceridemia
- AcylCoA DH - liver steatosis
- Citrate lyase - defect in FA and cholesterol biosynthesis
- Glucose-6-phosphatase - hypoglycemia
- Glucose-6-P DH - erythrocyte glutathione remains oxidized
- PFK2 - lack of response of glycolysis
- Phosphorylase b kinase - glycogen accumulation in liver
- Pyruvate DH - lactic acidosis
- SuccinylCoA acetoacetate transferase - ketonemia

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2nd Appello - 07/2022

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1st Part

- Insulin
- IRS1
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- cAMPThyroglobul
- Pertussis Toxin

2nd Part

Was the same as the 2nd part of the 1st appello

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1st Part

- Concerning Pyruvate D.H.
- Glucose
- Which of the reactions does not produces NH₃, and he gave some reactions
- HMG-reductase
- VLDL
- Heme Metabolism - there's a question in his material regarding the formation of CO₂ (it was pretty much that one)
- All AA can form Acetyl-CoA?
- Decarboxylation of Serine
- 1C Metabolism
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2nd Part

1) Complete:

*I don't know the exact number of blank spaces that he gave on the test, so I just placed "Blank spaces" on each side. However you can figure it out by the reaction.

- Alanine + "Blank spaces" -> Alpha Ketoglutarate + "Blank spaces"
- Citrate + "Blank spaces" -> OAA + "Blank spaces"
- HMG + "Blank spaces" -> Acetyl-CoA + "Blank spaces"
- MALate + "Blank spaces" -> CO₂ + (?) + "Blank spaces"
- CDP- + "Blank spaces" -> phosphatidylcholine + "Blank spaces"
- G3P + "Blank spaces" -> 1,3BP + "Blank spaces"
- "Blank spaces" -> methylmalonyl-CoA + "Blank spaces"
- Guanine + "Blank spaces" -> GMP + "Blank spaces"

2) Write the enzymes and coenzymes related to the molecules

There were a list of molecules that you should remember the enzymes, vitamins and cofactors related to them.

3) Describe the pathway and the ATP balance from **Glutamine to Glucose**

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