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Name of the Paper : BCHT-305/Metabolism of Carbohydrates and Lipids

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Attempt *five* questions in all.

Question No. 1 is compulsory.

Use of scientific calculator/log tables may be allowed.

1. (A) Explain any *seven* of the following observations :

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(a) An individual with a congenital defect in enoyl CoA isomerase has more difficulty in metabolizing olive oil than butter.

(b) Glucose rather than glucose-6-phosphate is injected intravenously.

(c) Phosphofructokinase (PFK-I) catalysed step (step III) is the committed step of glycolysis.

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- (d) Ketone bodies cannot be utilized as a source of energy by the liver.
 - (e) Water is excluded from the active site of hexokinase.
 - (f) Oxidation of odd chain fatty acids is gluconeogenic.
 - (g) Pyruvate carboxylase is activated by acetyl CoA.
 - (h) C^{14} labeled CO_2 is not incorporated into fatty acids.
 - (i) Generally there are separate pathways for anabolism and catabolism.
- (B) Indicate the coenzyme(s) required for the following enzymes : 5×1
- (a) Glycogen phosphorylase
 - (b) Transketolase
 - (c) Glucose-6-phosphate dehydrogenase
 - (d) Methyl malonyl CoA mutase.
 - (e) Acetyl CoA carboxylase.
2. Compare the following pairs : 4,3,3,4
- (i) Fatty acid oxidation and synthesis.
 - (ii) Oxidative and reductive pentose pathway.
 - (iii) Malate aspartate and glycerol phosphate shuttle.
 - (iv) Glycolysis and gluconeogenesis.

3. Write short notes on : 4,5,5
- (i) Cori cycle
 - (ii) Glycogen storage diseases
 - (iii) Photorespiration.
4. (A) Name the allosteric modulator(s) for each of the enzymes listed below : 4
- (i) Citrate synthase
 - (ii) Carnitine palmitoyl CoA transferase I
 - (iii) Pyruvate kinase
 - (iv) Pyruvate dehydrogenase complex
- (B) Adipose cells constantly breakdown and resynthesise triglycerides but synthesis cannot proceed without an external supply of glucose, why ? 3
- (C) Explain : 7
- (i) The activation of fatty acids.
 - (ii) Role of Carnitine in fatty acid metabolism
 - (iii) The oxidation of linoleic acid to acetyl CoA.
5. (A) Indicate the mode of action of the following inhibitors : 4
- (i) Arsenate

- (ii) 2-carboxy arabinitol-1 phosphate
- (iii) Lovastatin
- (iv) Fluoroacetate.
- (B) How is glycogen synthesized in the liver ? Highlight the key aspects in the reciprocal regulation of glycogen synthesis and degradation. 10
6. (A) Give *one* significant contribution of the following investigators : 4
- (i) Luis Leloir
- (ii) Konrad Bloch
- (iii) Hans Krebs
- (iv) Melvin Calvin, A. Benson and J.A. Bassham.
- (B) How does mannose and galactose enter the glycolytic cycle ? 5
- (C) Give the primary cause and deficiency symptoms associated with any *two* lipid storage diseases. 5
7. (A) Glucose labeled with C^{14} at C-6 is added to a solution containing the enzymes and cofactors of the oxidative branch of the pentose phosphate pathway. Trace the fate of the radioactive label ? 3
- (B) How do plants and bacteria convert acetyl CoA to glucose ? How does this route differ from the citric acid cycle ? 6
- (C) Describe the biosynthesis of sphingomyelin from palmitoyl CoA and serine. 5

8. (A) Explain why ?

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- (i) Arachidonic acid is not an essential fatty acid in animals.
- (ii) Skeletal muscle has no role in maintaining blood glucose levels although they do store excess glucose as glycogen.
- (iii) Plant chloroplasts express very high levels of RUBISCO.

(B) Explain the following terms :

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- (i) Lactose intolerance
- (ii) Anaplerotic reactions
- (iii) Pasteur effect
- (iv) Ketone bodies.

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