## Chapter 2: RNA

## **Multiple Choice**

Identify the choice that best completes the statement or answers the question.

- \_\_\_\_\_1. In an RNA molecule, adenine always base-pairs with:
  - a. Thymine
  - b. Cytosine
  - c. Uracil
  - d. Guanine
- 2. RNA and DNA are structurally similar because they both:
  - a. Have ribose as their sugar moiety
  - b. Consist of a single strand that folds on itself
  - c. Consist of two complementary strands
  - d. Are polymers of four different nucleotide bases
  - 3. RNA is degraded by:
    - a. Helicases
    - b. Polymerases
    - c. Ribonucleases
    - d. Methylases
  - 4. The large ribosome subunit in prokaryotes consists of ribosomal proteins and:
    - a. 16S rRNA
    - b. 18S rRNA
    - c. 23S rRNA and 5S rRNA
    - d. 28S rRNA, 5S rRNA, and 5.8S rRNA
  - \_\_\_\_\_5. Transfer RNA is different from other types of RNA because transfer RNA has:
    - a. A 3'polyA tail
    - b. Introns and exons
    - c. A 3'methylated cap
    - d. Anticodons
- 6. Synthesis of RNA guided by a DNA template is:
  - a. Translation
  - b. DNA replication
  - c. Transcription
  - d. Reverse transcription
  - 7. Synthesis of DNA guided by a RNA template is:
    - a. Translation
    - b. DNA replication
    - c. Transcription
    - d. Reverse transcription

- 8. In transcription, what is the starting material, the ending material, and the major enzyme that catalyzes the process?
  - a. DNA, RNA, DNA polymerase
  - b. RNA, protein, peptidyl transferase
  - c. RNA, DNA, reverse transcriptase
  - d. DNA, RNA, RNA polymerase
- 9. If the following oligonucleotide of double-stranded DNA were transcribed, what would be the sequence of the RNA?

5'TGCTAGCTA3'

3'ACGATCGAT5'

- a. 5'UGCUAGCUA3'
- b. 5'ACGAUCGAU3'
- c. 3'ACGATCGAT5'
- d. 3'ACGAUCGAU5'
- 10. Which of the following enzymes performs transcription in bacteria?
  - a. RNA-dependent DNA polymerase
  - b. DNA-dependent RNA polymerase
  - c. DNA-dependent DNA polymerase
  - d. RNA-dependent RNA polymerase
- 11. The RNA polymerase holoenzyme consists of which of the following subunits?
  - a.  $\alpha 2, \beta, \beta'$
  - b.  $\alpha 2, \beta, \beta' \sigma$
  - c.  $\alpha, \alpha', \beta, \beta'$
  - d.  $\alpha 2, \beta, \beta', \rho$
- 12. Which component of RNA polymerase is responsible for initiating transcription at the correct site?
  - a. α
  - b. β
  - c. β'
  - d. ρ
  - e. σ
- 13. Which of the following is required for termination of transcription in bacteria?
  - a. DNA polymerase
  - b. Sigma
  - c. Rho
  - d. PolyA signal
  - \_\_\_\_\_14. Which of the following is involved in termination of transcription in eukaryotes?
    - a. RNA polymerase
    - b. Sigma
    - c. Rho
    - d. PolyA signal

- 15. Which of the following types of RNA is directly involved in removing introns from RNA in eukaryotes?
  - a. Micro
  - b. Transfer
  - c. Small nuclear
  - d. Small interfering
- 16. What is the secondary structure of transfer RNA?
  - a. Cruciform, or inverted L
  - b. Hairpin
  - c. Triple helix, or triplex
  - d. Ring, or inverted C
- \_\_\_\_\_ 17. The loop of transfer RNA that interacts with the codon on mRNA in translation is called the:
  - a. D loop
  - b.  $T\psi C$  loop
  - c. Variable loop
  - d. Anticodon loop
  - 18. DNA sequences that are involved in the regulation of gene expression are called:
    - a. Cis factors
    - b. Trans factors
    - c. Inducers
    - d. Repressors
- 19. Which of the following is the binding site for the repressor protein of the lactose operon?
  - a. P site
  - b. Operator
  - c. A site
  - d. Promoter
- 20. Which of the following would prevent transcription of the lactose operon?
  - a. Loss of promoter
  - b. Presence of inducer
  - c. Loss of the repressor protein
  - d. RNA polymerase binding to the promoter
- \_\_\_\_\_ 21. Which of the following is a cis factor of the lactose operon?
  - a. Inducer
  - b. Operator
  - c. Repressor
  - d. Polymerase
  - 22. In the lactose operon, which of the following configurations would result in gene expression?
    - a. Promoter +, Operator +, Repressor +, no inducer present
    - b. Promoter -, Operator +, Repressor +, no inducer present
    - c. Promoter -, Operator -, Repressor +, inducer present
    - d. Promoter +, Operator +, Repressor -, no inducer present

- 23. Multiple products are generated from the same gene by what mechanism?
  - a. Alternative splicing
  - b. Polyadenylation
  - c. Capping
- \_\_\_\_\_ 24. Thalassemias arise from changes in what part of the beta-globin gene?
  - a. 3'untranslated region
  - b. PolyA tail
  - c. Splice recognition site
  - d. Ribosome binding site
- 25. When gene expression is regulated by mechanisms other than the interaction of cis elements and trans factors, the regulation is called:
  - a. Induction
  - b. Epigenetics
  - c. Attenuation
  - d. Combinatorial control
- <u>26.</u> Genomic imprinting is accomplished primarily through:
  - a. Methylation
  - b. Acetylation
  - c. Transcription
  - d. Cis and trans factor interactions
  - 27. The most frequently methylated base in vertebrates is:
    - a. Adenine
    - b. Cytosine
    - c. Guanine
    - d. Thymine
- 28. MicroRNAs, short endogenous RNA, perform what function in the eukaryotic cell?
  - a. Controlling DNA replication
  - b. Priming RNA synthesis
  - c. RNA splicing
  - d. Repressing gene expression
- 29. What mechanism may explain the difference in symptoms in Prader-Willi and Angelman syndromes?
  - a. Genomic imprinting
  - b. Alternative splicing
  - c. Genetic recombination
  - d. Capping
  - 30. Alteration of the nucleotide sequence of RNA after transcription is called:
    - a. Methylation
    - b. RNA silencing
    - c. RNA editing
    - d. Capping

## Chapter 2: RNA Answer Section

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