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## 一. 單選題 20%

1. The term peptidyltransferase relates to

- A. base additions during mRNA synthesis.
- B. peptide bond formation during protein synthesis.
- C. elongation factors binding to the large ribosomal subunit.
- D. discontinuous strand replication.
- E. 5' capping of mRNA.

2. One form of posttranslational modification of a protein includes

- A. removal of introns.
- B. shuffling of exons.
- C. removal or modification of terminal amino acids.
- D. removal of exons.
- E. self-splicing

3. A short segment of an mRNA molecule is shown below. The polypeptide it codes for is also shown:

5' -AUGGUGCUGAAG : methionine-valine-leucine-lysine

Assume that a mutation in the DNA occurs so that the fourth base (counting from the 5' end) of the messenger RNA now reads A rather than G. What sequence of amino acids will the mRNA now code for?

(You do not need a copy of the genetic code to answer the question.)

- A. methionine-valine-leucine-lysine
- B. methionine-lysine-leucine-lysine
- C. methionine-leucine-leucine-lysine
- D. methionine-valine-methionine-lysine
- E. methionine-methionine-leucine-lysine

4. When considering the initiation of transcription, one often finds consensus sequences located in the region of the DNA where RNA polymerase(s) bind. Which are common consensus sequences?

- A. CAAT, TATA
- B. GGTTTC, TTAT
- C. TTTTAAAA, GGGGCCCC
- D. any trinucleotide repeat
- E. satellite DNAs

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5. Select three posttranscriptional modifications often seen in the maturation of mRNA in eukaryotes.
- A. 5'-capping, 3'-poly(A) tail addition, splicing
  - B. 3'-capping, 5'-poly(A) tail addition, splicing
  - C. removal of exons, insertion of introns, capping
  - D. 5'-poly(A) tail addition, insertion of introns, capping
  - E. heteroduplex formation, base modification, capping
6. A class of mutations that results in multiple contiguous (side-by-side) amino acid changes in proteins is probably caused by the following type of mutation:
- A. frameshift.
  - B. transversion.
  - C. transition.
  - D. base analog.
  - E. recombinant.
7. What is the name given to the three bases in a messenger RNA that bind to the anticodon of tRNA to specify an amino acid placement in a protein?
- A. protein
  - B. anti-anticodon
  - C. cistron
  - D. rho
  - E. codon
8. An intron is a section of
- A. protein that is clipped out posttranslationally.
  - B. RNA that is removed during RNA processing.
  - C. DNA that is removed during DNA processing.
  - D. transfer RNA that binds to the anticodon.
  - E. carbohydrate that serves as a signal for RNA transport.
9. The genetic code is fairly consistent among all organisms. The term often used to describe such consistency in the code is
- A. universal.
  - B. exceptional.
  - C. trans-specific.
  - D. overlapping.
  - E. none of the above

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10. Which of the following are among the major components of prokaryotic ribosomes?

- A. 12S rRNA, 5.8S rRNA, and proteins
- B. 16S rRNA, 5.8S rRNA, and 28S rRNA
- C. 16S rRNA, 5S rRNA, and 23S rRNA
- D. lipids and carbohydrates
- E. 18S rRNA, 5.8S rRNA, and proteins

二.問答題 80%

1. What is the advantage of having each amino acid specified by a sequence of three nucleotides but not 2 or 4 nucleotides? (5%)
2. Please explain the biological significance for why uracil is found in RNA but not in DNA. (5%)
3. What is shotgun sequencing? (5%)
4. What are the role played by histone modification in epigenetic effect? (5%)
5. How is methylation involved in the control of timing of replication in *E. coli*? (5%)
6. Please describe the Base excision repair in *E. coli*. (5%)
7. Please describe the role played by RecABCD proteins in *E. coli*. (5%)
8. How does a retrovirus complete its life cycle? (5%)
9. Explain why *E. coli lacZ* is often used as a reporter gene in yeast cells but not in *E. coli* cells. (5 %)
10. Describe the role of DNA methylation in gene expression in mammalian cells. (10 %)
11. Can *S. cerevisiae* be used as a model to study many human diseases? Explain. (10 %)
12. Define the following terms: (15 %)
  - a. temperature sensitive mutant
  - b. iPS cells
  - c. small RNA