

## Pathology 68 Questions

1. Regarding acute inflammation page 52-55):

- A. Circulating inflammatory cells include neutrophils, monocytes, fibroblasts and lymphocytes
- B. Acute inflammation involves proliferation of blood vessels and connective tissue
- C. Vasodilation initially occurs by opening of venules
- D. Increased vascular permeability is the hallmark of acute inflammation
- E. Relaxation of endothelial cells leads to increased vascular leakage

2. Regarding acute inflammation (page 55-57):

- A. Contraction of arteriolar and capillary endothelial cells results in increased vascular leakage
- B. Direct endothelial injury causes leakage of venules, capillaries and arterioles and is known as the immediate sustained response
- C. Leakage ceases when capillaries start to regenerate
- D. Rolling and adhesion of leukocytes along the endothelial wall is known as diapedesis
- E. Only neutrophils traverse the basement membrane into the extravascular space

3. Regarding binding of leukocytes and transmigration (page 58-59)

- A. On exposure to histamine, P-selectin redistributes to the endothelial surface to bind leukocytes
- B. Cytokines induce E-selectin on endothelial membrane almost immediately
- C. Leukocyte diapedesis occurs predominantly in capillaries
- D. Neutrophils are always the first inflammatory cells to arrive at a site of inflammation
- E. After 24 hours, monocytes are the predominant cell type at all sites of infection

4. Regarding the action of leukocytes in the extravascular space (page 60-63):

- A. C4 is the component of complement that acts as a chemoattractant
- B. Leukocytes move via a pseudopod containing contractile actin filaments
- C. Bacteria and extraneous matter are labeled for phagocytosis by opsonins such as C3b and IgG (F fragment)
- D. Lysosomal granules remain intracellular during phagocytosis
- E. pH in the leukocyte is lowered following phagocytosis

5. Regarding chemical mediators of inflammation ( :

- A. Histamine and serotonin are plasma derived mediators of inflammation
- B. Histamine causes constriction of all blood vessels
- C. C3 and C4 are the most important inflammatory mediators of the complement components
- D. Bradykinin decreases vascular permeability
- E. Inflammatory properties of thrombin include increased leukocyte adhesion and fibroblast proliferation

6. Regarding Eicosanoids (page 68-69):

- A. Arachidonic acid is formed from cell membrane phospholipids by cyclo-oxygenase
- B. Vascular endothelium produces thromboxane A<sub>2</sub>
- C. Thromboxane A<sub>2</sub> causes vasoconstriction and promotes platelet aggregation
- D. Prostaglandins and prostacyclin cause vasoconstriction
- E. Leukotrienes cause bronchodilation

7. Regarding chemical mediators of inflammation (page 67-74):

- A. IL-1 and TNF are the main cytokine mediators of inflammation
- B. NO increases platelet aggregation and adhesion
- C. Acid proteases from neutrophils and monocytes degrade extracellular components
- D. Substance-P is a neuropeptide causing vasoconstriction
- E. Leukotrienes are major mediators of pain in inflammation

8. Regarding Chronic Inflammation (page 75-):

- A. It is always preceded by acute inflammation
- B. It is primarily mediated by monocytes
- C. Macrophages only accumulate by recruitment of monocytes from the circulation
- D. Tissue destruction is a hallmark feature
- E. Macrophages are activated by monokines released from lymphocytes.

9. Regarding Chronic inflammation (page 79-82):

- A. Repair is due to regeneration of parenchymal cells
- B. Newly developing capillary vessels extend via existing basement membrane protrusions
- C. The main cell in granulomatous inflammation is a giant cell
- D. Accumulation of modified 'epithelioid' macrophages characterizes granulomatous inflammation
- E. Caseous necrosis is a feature of all granulomas

10. Regarding the morphology and systemic effects of inflammation (page )::

- A. Serous inflammation contains fluid derived from blood
- B. Fibrinous exudate is characteristic of inflammation in body cavities such as pleura and peritoneum
- C. Purulent inflammatory fluid is secreted by bacterial organisms
- D. Fever is due to skin vasodilation
- E. Acute leukocytosis is due to increased production by bone marrow

11. In wound healing by primary intention (page 85, 88):

- A. Collagen fibres are present by 24 hours
- B. Leukocytic infiltrate and oedema disappear by day 5
- C. Epithelial cells migrate and grow along the cut dermis between 24-48 hours
- D. Tensile strength is about 50% normal when sutures are removed at one week
- E. Neovascularisation is maximal at day 3

12. Regarding wound healing (page 86-90):

- A. Myofibroblasts assist the phenomenon of wound contraction
- B. Metalloproteinases produce collagen
- C. Vitamin C inhibits collagen synthesis
- D. Keloid scarring is due to formation of excessive granulation tissue
- E. Keloid scarring is more common in pale people

13. Regarding the pathology of oedema (page 93-97):

- A. A transudate has a specific gravity greater than 1.020
- B. CCF directly causes oedema by increased hydrostatic pressure and indirectly through a decrease in rennin
- C. Normal end-arteriolar hydrostatic pressure is about 15mmHg
- D. Cirrhosis may lead to secondary aldosteronism
- E. Cerebral oedema does not involve neurons or glial cells

14. As part of normal haemostasis (page 100-101):

- A. Activated platelets are prevented from adhering to uninjured cells by NO and PGI<sub>2</sub>
- B. Thromboxane A<sub>2</sub> and PGI<sub>2</sub> have similar effects
- C. Thrombomodulin activates thrombin
- D. Protein C is a cofactor for Protein S
- E. Protein C inactivates factor Xa

15. Regarding haemostasis (page 101-105):

- A. VWF is essential for platelet-platelet adhesion
- B. GpIIb-IIIa forms a complex with vWF
- C. Haemostatic plugs do not contain red or white blood cells
- D. Activation of factor VIII marks the conversion of the extrinsic and intrinsic clotting pathways
- E. Cytokines IL-1 and TNF stimulate synthesis of t-PA inhibitor

16. Regarding arterial and venous thrombosis (page )::

- A. An arterial thrombus 'tail' develops in the direction of blood flow
- B. The 'tail' of a venous thrombus is the most likely section to embolise
- C. Embolism of an arterial thrombosis usually occurs in fragments
- D. A mural thrombus occludes an entire vessel
- E. Thrombosis of the saphenous system is at a high risk of embolisation

17. Regarding pulmonary embolism (p111):

- A. 70% arise from the large deep veins of the lower limb
- B. 60-80% are 'silent'
- C. obstruction of large pulmonary vessels causes pulmonary infarction
- D. pulmonary hypertension and chronic right heart failure are frequent sequelae
- E. sudden death, cardiovascular collapse and acute right heart failure may result when >40% of total pulmonary vasculature is obstructed

18. Regarding different types of embolism (p112-114)

- A. Brain is the most common site of systemic arterial embolism
- B. Rapidity of progression correlates well with the volume of amniotic fluid infused in amniotic fluid embolism
- C. Pulmonary insufficiency, anaemia, thrombocytosis and neurologic symptoms constitute the 'fat embolism syndrome'
- D. Air/gas embolism to the lungs does not cause dyspnoea
- E. Decompression sickness is a form of gas embolism

19. Regarding infarction (page 114-116):

- A. All infarction results in coagulative necrosis
- B. 'Red' infarcts are encountered in arterial occlusion of normal solid tissue
- C. the lung, small intestine and brain may all show haemorrhagic (red) infarcts)
- D. Infarction of the hand is relatively common as it is an end appendage.
- E. Fibroblasts in myocardium are highly sensitive to hypoxia

20. Regarding septic shock (page 117-):

- A. Is mostly caused by gram positive bacteria
- B. IL-1 and TNF $\alpha$  are key cytokines
- C. The distinction between progressive and irreversible shock is when urine production ceases
- D. Endotoxin bacterial wall lipopolysaccharides form a complex with platelets
- E. It causes increased corticosteroids in the adrenals at autopsy.

21. Regarding T lymphocytes (page 172):

- A. They make up 10-20% of circulating lymphocytes
- B. T-cells with CD4 proteins bind to MHC-II molecules on antigen presenting cells
- C. CD4 protein is expressed on more T cells than CD8
- D. CD4 T-cells secrete IL-4 and IL-5
- E. CD8 T cells are known as 'helper' or 'inducer' cells

22. Regarding B lymphocytes (page 172-173):

- A. B-cells require antigen to be presented by another cell
- B. On antigenic stimulation B-cells form plasma cells which mediate humoral immunity
- C. IgM is bound to the surface of some B cells
- D. B cells are found in the paracortical region of lymph nodes
- E. Ig $\alpha$  and Ig $\beta$  bind to antigen on the B cell surface.

23. Regarding components of the immune system (173-175):

- A. Macrophages are essential in presenting antigen to B cells
- B. Dendritic cells and Langerhan's cells are specialized phagocytic cells
- C. Following sensitization, Natural Killer Cells are able to destroy other cells
- D. Cytokines are produced only by mast cells
- E. Cytokines bind to specific high affinity receptors

24. Regarding Type I hypersensitivity reactions (page 179-181):

- A. Require the assistance of the TH1 subset of CD4+ T cells
- B. Involve recruitment of mast cells from the blood stream
- C. Involve release of histamine from mast cells as a secondary mediator
- D. Leukotrienes are extremely important secondary mediators
- E. Eosinophils and mast cells release primary mediators

25. Regarding Type I hypersensitivity (page 179-181):

- A. The 'late' phase is resolved in 24 hours
- B. The 'late' phase is characterized by infiltration of eosinophils, other inflammatory cells and tissue destruction
- C. Systemic anaphylaxis always causes pulmonary oedema
- D. Leukotrienes do not contribute to the initial phase reaction
- E. TH1 cells assist eosinophil growth and activation

26. Type II hypersensitivity (page 182-184):

- A. Is mediated by mast cells
- B. Always involves complement mediated opsonisation of cells
- C. Destruction of cells may be due to membrane attack complexes
- D. Goodpastures syndrome is an example of antibody-dependent cell mediated cytotoxicity (ADCC)
- E. Myasthenia gravis is an example of antibody mediated cellular destruction

27. Type III hypersensitivity (page 184-185):

- A. Is cell mediated
- B. Includes SLE
- C. Is usually more severe for larger immune complexes
- D. Is more severe when the mononuclear phagocytic system is intact
- E. Does not involve changes in vascular permeability

28. Regarding type III and type IV hypersensitivity reactions (page 184-):

- A. Single large antigen exposure usually results in chronic type III hypersensitivity disease
- B. The 'Arthus reaction' is an example of type III hypersensitivity
- C. The Mantoux test is an example of the 'Arthus reaction'
- D. TH2 T cells are central to the development of type IV hypersensitivity
- E. Contact dermatitis is IgE mediated.

29. Regarding vascular wall response to injury (page 471):

- A. The endothelial lining must be denuded for thromboses to occur
- B. Vasc smooth muscle cells are each surrounded by a basal lamina
- C. Vascular smooth muscle cells are confined to the media at all times
- D. Vasc smooth muscle cells become contractile on migration to the intima
- E. Migration/proliferation of smooth muscle cells is inhibited by PDGF

30. Regarding vascular disease (page 472-473):

- A. Vascular diseases affect arteries and veins evenly
- B. Arteriosclerosis is a subtype of atherosclerosis
- C. Any artery may be affected by atherosclerosis
- D. ICA is usually involved in more atherosclerotic lesions than the popliteal artery
- E. Atheromas are usually occlusive in large arteries

31. Regarding atherosclerosis (page 474-479):

- A. Hyperlipidaemia, HT, smoking and increasing age are the most significant risk factors for atherosclerosis
- B. Increased cholesterol is a higher risk factor than hypertension for atherogenesis in people over 45yrs
- C. Decreased risk of dying from IHD occurs within a few years of smoking cessation
- D. Diabetes double the frequency of lower limb gangrene compared to non-diabetics
- E. The key morphologic feature is atrophy of the media

32. Regarding atherosclerotic changes (page 476-478):

- A. Fatty streaks are only present in children of developed countries
- B. Atheromatous plaques do not always impinge on the lumen of the artery
- C. Macrophages are the only cells that form foam cells
- D. Aortic lesions are more prominent at the ostia of its major branches
- E. Foam cells are typically located in the superficial fibrous cap of atheromatous plaques

33. Regarding complications of atheromatous lesions page 478):

- A. Atheromatous plaques rarely calcify
- B. The media is involved in disease process most frequently in smaller vessels
- C. Aneurismal dilatation is unrelated to formation of atheromatous plaques
- D. Superficial thrombosis usually occurs over fissured or ulcerated lesions
- E. Haemorrhage into a plaques is most uncommon in the coronary arteries

34. Regarding pathogenesis of atherosclerosis (page 479-482):

- A. Vascular cell adhesion molecule (VCAM-1) and intercellular adhesionmolecule (ICAM-1) are expressed on the smooth muscle cells of atheromatous plaques
- B. The scavenger receptor on macrophages allows the uptake of oxidized LDL
- C. Foam cells are not present in 'fatty streaks'
- D. PDGF is produced only by platelets
- E. Lipoprotein abnormalities are seen in less than 50% of myocardial infarction survivors

35. Regarding Cardiac Structure (page 517-518):

- A. The normal male heart weighs 400g
- B. Normal left ventricular free wall is 1.3-1.5cm thick
- C. The lunula of heart valves is the insertion point to the annulus
- D. Lesions in the lunula of valves significantly impair valve competence
- E. Chordae tendinae connect each MV leaflet to its own separate papillary muscle

36. Regarding cardiac structure (page 518):

- A. Cardiac valves leaflets have their own vascular supply
- B. Myocytes only make up 25% of cardiac tissue volume
- C. Collagen is abundant in normal myocardium
- D. Purkinje cells do not contain contractile filaments
- E. 4/5 of the population have a right dominant coronary circulation

37. Regarding Cardiac structure and changes within it (page 519):

- A. occlusion of the RCA does not cause LV damage
- B. Collateral blood flow is important in normal blood supply
- C. The subendocardium is well perfused by collateral flow
- D. Brown atrophy is partly due to lipofuscin deposition in the aging heart
- E. Elderly myocardium contains the same number of myocytes as younger

38. The aging heart (page 519):

- A. Shows decreased subepicardial fat
- B. Should not normally develop basophilic degeneration
- C. Shows increased LV chamber size
- D. Frequently develops clinical complications due to calcification of the mitral annulus
- E. Shows Lambl's excrescences on valves of nearly over 60yo's

39. In congestive cardiac failure (page 520):

- A. Hypertrophied cardiac cells have more sarcomeres
- B. Pressure loaded ventricles develop concentric hypertrophy
- C. Volume overloading shows an increase in the the ratio of the wall thickness to the cavity radius
- D. Increased myocyte size is accompanied by increased capillary density
- E. Gene expression is not affected

40. Regarding Congestive Cardiac Failure (page 521-522):

- A. LVH is not a risk factor for IHD
- B. Physiologic hypertrophy has marked deleterious effects
- C. Increased muscle mass and wall tension are major determinants of increased O<sub>2</sub> demand
- D. A damaged, decompensated heart is morphologically different to a damaged but compensated one
- E. Hypoxic and congestive changes in peripheral tissues are unique to CHF

41. Left heart failure (page 522):

- A. Is most commonly caused by valve disease
- B. Commonly causes pleural effusions
- C. May result in haemosiderin containing alveolar macrophages
- D. Is uncommonly accompanied by cough
- E. Leads to renal congestion

42. Right heart failure (page 523):

- A. Frequently occurs as an isolated entity
- B. Is clinically simulated by constrictive pericarditis
- C. Results in congested peripheral hepatic lobules with pale centers
- D. Does not cause splenomegaly
- E. Causes a renal condition known as anasarca

43. Regarding IHD (page 524-525):

- A. IDH accounts for 50% of cardiac mortality
- B. Only one coronary artery is affected in most IHD
- C. 90% of patients with IHD have advanced stenosing coronary atherosclerosis
- D. Significant stenosing plaques in the RCA are usually in the middle 1/3
- E. Completely stenosing plaques are the cause of acute coronary syndromes in most patients

44. Regarding IHD (page 526):

- A. Incidence of AMI peaks between 9 and 11am
- B. Plaques that rupture tend to have a concentric configuration
- C. Plaque fissures frequently occur at the central portion of the fibrous cap
- D. Thrombus formation over a fissured plaque always results in symptoms
- E. Thrombosis is not involved in UAP

45. Regarding Angina (page 528):

- A. Stable angina is commonly associated with >90% coronary artery stenosis
- B. ECG ST depression occurs in stable and Prinzmetal's angina
- C. Ischaemia in Prinzmetal's angina only occurs in the subendocardial region
- D. Prinzmetal's angina rarely relates to BP, HR or activity level
- E. Thromboemboli are rare in UAP

46. Subendocardial Infarction (page 529):

- A. Is more common than transmural
- B. Necrotic area often spreads laterally beyond the perfusion territory of a single coronary artery
- C. Is usually associated with a single vessel lesion
- D. Is commonly associated with plaque rupture
- E. Is reliably predicted by absence of Q waves on ECG



47. Regarding Myocardial infarction (page 529-530):

- A. 5% infarcts occur in people under 40yrs
- B. 90% subendocardial infarcts are due to occlusive intracoronary thrombus overlying a fissured plaque
- C. occlusive thrombus occurring in a severely stenosed vessel has a worse prognosis
- D. ADP is a potent vasodilator
- E. Tissue thromboplastin activates the intrinsic coagulation pathway

48. Regarding Myocardial infarction (page 530):

- A. Angiography shows a thrombosed coronary artery in 90% MI when performed at 12hours
- B. The "area at risk" is most pronounced in the subendocardium
- C. Emboli from vegetative endocarditis does not cause coronary occlusion
- D. Anaerobic glycolysis occurs within minutes of ischaemia
- E. Loss of contractility is a late manifestation of ischaemia

49. In Myocardial infarction (page 530-531):

- A. Irreversible injury occurs only after 40mins ischaemia
- B. Majority of patients developing VF do so due to acute myocardial infarction
- C. Extent of necrosis in humans is usually complete at 6hours
- D. Septal involvement is rare
- E. Isolated RV infarction occurs in only 1-3% of cases

50. Regarding MI (page 532-533):

- A. LCX lesion make up 30-40% critical stenoses
- B. Gross examination shows changes at 6-12 hours
- C. Dehydrogenases increase in ischaemic region at 2-3hours
- D. Acute inflammation is seen at 2-3 days post infarct
- E. A fibrous scar does not form until 12weeks

51. Regarding MI and reperfusion (page 535-537):

- A. Thrombolysis reestablishes patency of occluded CA in 90% of cases
- B. Reperfusion may prevent all necrosis if done within 15-20mins
- C. Contraction bands are seen in all cardiac cells following ischaemia
- D. Reperfusion injury is accelerated disintegration of already dead myocytes
- E. Myocardial 'stunning' only exists for a few hours

52. Regarding AMI (page 537):

- A. MI is asymptomatic in 10-15%
- B. LDH rises after 8hours
- C. Cardiac tissue is the only tissue containing CKMB isoenzyme
- D. Sudden cardiac death occurs within 1-2 hours of AMI in 5% patients
- E. LV failure occurs in 15% AMI

53. Regarding complications of MI (page 539):

- A. Cardiogenic shock has an almost 70% mortality
- B. Rupture of the septum is more common than rupture of the free wall
- C. Cardiac rupture is most commonly seen within 2 days of infarct
- D. Fibrinous or fibrinohaemorrhagic pericarditis occurs usually at 1-2 weeks post infarct
- E. Infarct expansion is new necrosis adjacent to an existing infarct

54. Regarding complications and prognosis following AMI (page 539):

- A. Ventricular aneurysm most commonly results from a posterior infarct
- B. Anterior infarcts are the most likely to develop conduction abnormalities
- C. Subendocardial infarcts do not result in the formation of mural thrombus
- D. Including patients dying before reaching hospital, 1 year mortality for MI is 35%
- E. Early mortality rate during hospitalization is 4%

55. Regarding Sudden Cardiac Death (page 541):

- A. It is most commonly caused by congenital structural abnormalities
- B. Stenosis greater than 75% is found in one or more coronary arteries in 80-90% victims
- C. Refers to death occurring within 24 hours of symptoms onset
- D. Increased parasympathetic activity may contribute to formation of lethal arrhythmias
- E. In those saved by rapid intervention, new myocardial infarction is found in 50%

56. Regarding lung microstructure (page 673-674):

- A. The vocal cords are lined by pseudostratified epithelial cells
- B. Bronchial mucosa contains neuroendocrine cells
- C. Type I alveolar cells secrete surfactant
- D. Type II alveolar cells line >95% of the alveolar surface
- E. Alveolar walls are a solid continuous layer

57. Regarding atelectasis (page 675-676):

- A. Atelectasis is most frequently irreversible
- B. Absorption atelectasis results in deviation of the trachea away from the affected side
- C. Obstructive atelectasis is caused principally by excessive secretions or exudates within smaller bronchi
- D. Compressive atelectasis most commonly results from tumour masses
- E. Contraction atelectasis develops due to loss of pulmonary surfactant

58. Pulmonary oedema/congestion (page 676):

- A. Is most commonly due to microvascular injury
- B. Is characterized by heavy, wet lungs regardless of clinical setting
- C. May lead to lipofuscin laden macrophages known as 'heart failure cells'
- D. May lead to intracellular changes known as brown induration
- E. Does not result from primary injury to alveolar cells

59. ARDS (page 676-677):

- A. Is a subtype of haemodynamic pulmonary oedema
- B. Does not show development of hyaline membranes
- C. Causes decreased type II alveolar cells
- D. Final common pathway is diffuse damage to alveolar capillary walls
- E. Initial injury is most frequently to alveolar epithelium

60. Regarding ARDS (676-678):

- A. Neutrophils do not play a large role in ARDS
- B. Does not develop in systemic neutropaenia
- C. Endotoxin is likely to be important in many cases
- D. Early CXR shows diffuse basal infiltrates
- E. Changes in the lungs are diffuse and uniform

61. Regarding Pulmonary Embolus (page 679-680):

- A. PE can be attributed to DVT in 60%
- B. May result in haemorrhage rather than infarction
- C. Majority cause infarction
- D. Most infarcts involve upper lobes
- E. LDH levels are not elevated

62. Regarding Emphysema (page 683-684):

- A. Fibrosis is a feature
- B. Both emphysematous and normal airspaces coexist in the same acinus in centrilobular emphysema
- C. Walls of airspaces rarely contain pigment
- D. Smoking typically causes pan-acinar emphysema
- E. Centrilobular emphysema typically involves lower lung zones more

63. Regarding emphysema (page 684-686):

- A. Core pulmonale is common in emphysema predominant COPD
- B. 'irregular' emphysema is the subtype most likely underlying spontaneous pneumothorax
- C. alpha1-AT is normally present in serum, tissue fluids and macrophages
- D. more neutrophils are sequestered in upper than lower zones of the lung
- E. O<sub>2</sub> free radicals stimulate alpha1-AT activity

64. Regarding emphysema (page 686-687):

- A. Smoking stimulates increased neutrophil presence in alveoli
- B. Centriacinar and panacinar emphysema have similar macroscopic appearance
- C. Emphysema does not manifest clinically until 1/5 functioning pulmonary parenchyma is incapacitated
- D. Diffusing capacity does not change
- E. Hypercapnea frequently occurs in emphysema predominant COPD

65. Chronic bronchitis (page 684, 688):

- A. Results in cor pulmonale less than emphysema
- B. Is defined by persistent cough with sputum production for at least 2 months in 3 consecutive years
- C. Always shows airflow limitation
- D. The hallmark is infection
- E. Causes atypical metaplasia and dysplasia of respiratory epithelium

66. Regarding Chronic Bronchitis (page 688-689):

- A. Increased mucus secretion is primarily due to increased goblet cells
- B. Infection has a primary role in initiation
- C. Cigarette smoke interferes with both ciliary action and ability of bronchial and alveolar leukocytes to clear bacteria
- D. The Reid Index is decreased
- E. Bronchioles show marked dilatation

67. Regarding Asthma (page 690-691):

- A. All asthma is IgE mediated
- B. IgE mediated asthma elicits an acute immediate response and a late phase response
- C. Histamine does not cause cholinergic reflex actions
- D. Leukotriene B<sub>4</sub> is a secondary mediator
- E. PAF is a primary mediator

68. Regarding Asthma (page 692):

- A. Non-atopic asthma is most frequently triggered by bacterial infection
- B. Aspirin sensitive asthmatics also experience urticaria
- C. Mucus plugs are not found macroscopically
- D. Basement membrane is unchanged
- E. Bronchial muscle does not show changes

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