

Chemistry 400A Quiz 2 Spring 2019 KEY

Answer the following questions on the Scantron form. Questions 1-24 are True/False while Questions 25-32 are multiple choice.

Questions 1-24 are True/False (A = TRUE; B = FALSE)

1. A triglyceride is an ester of glycerol and a long chain acid. [Dropped because wording is ambiguous]
2. On a per carbon basis, fat contains more energy than sugar. T
3. Stearic acid is a saturated fatty acid obtained from animal sources. T
4. BHT and vitamin E are both phenols that can act as mild oxidants to help protect unsaturated fats.

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5. Corn, wheat and rice are all poor sources of the amino acid alanine. F
6. Acrylamide is a carcinogen formed in some baked and fried foods by the breakdown of asparagine. T
7. α -(+)-D-glucose and β -(+)-D-glucose are different sugars but they can interconvert in water solution. T
8. Bees wax is a long chain alcohol. F
9. Although cellulose contains glucose subunits in a polymeric structure, it is cannot be digested by humans because it contains β -links and we lack the enzyme necessary to break these down. T
10. Vitamin D controls Ca^{2+} ion uptake but an excess can skin to peel and lead to the disease known as Rickets. F
11. Vitamin K is necessary for proper blood clotting function and is often prescribed to older people to lessen the chance of stroke. F
12. The artificial sweeteners Acesulfame-K and saccharin both feature S-containing rings. T
13. Sucralose is an artificial sweetener made by combining sucrose and cellulose. F
14. Sodium hydroxide is commonly added to jams and jellies as a preservative. F
15. Sodium aluminosilicate is often added to foods as a flavour enhancer. F
16. Maltol is a common flavour enhancer derived from the shells of scale insects farmed in Australia. F
17. Salts of several carboxylic acids (e.g. benzoic acid) act as preservatives by starving microorganisms of nutrients. T
18. ${}^{60}\text{Co}$ Irradiation of fruit kills microorganisms and promotes rapid ripening. F
19. Natural fruity flavours are mainly due to certain short chain carboxylic acids. F
20. Modern food colourants are safer than their predecessors because they incorporate sulphonic acids. T
21. 2,4-D is a cheap, effective herbicide that degrades rapidly in soil and has low toxicity to animals. T
22. DDT is a synthetic herbicide used to defoliate areas of jungle or brush. F
23. 2,4,5-T (Agent Orange) is highly toxic because of the presence of dioxin as an impurity. T
24. Acetylcholine esterase (ACE) inhibitors kill insects by blocking all nerve impulses. F

Questions 25-32 are multiple choice; circle the one best answer per question.

25. Which of the following statements about **trans fats** and/or **trans-fatty acids** is NOT true? (a)

- (a) trans fatty acids occur in nature
- (b) trans fats have higher melting points than their cis isomers
- (c) trans fats increase LDL a few %
- (d) trans fats need to be stabilized against oxidation

26. Which of the following is NOT a feature or function usually ascribed to **vitamin A**? (b)

- (a) necessary for good vision
- (b) water soluble
- (c) highly unsaturated
- (d) obtained from fish liver oil
- (e) critical to skin health
- (f) teratogenic in excess

27. Which **B vitamin** is commonly given to pregnant women to decrease the risk of spina bifida? (d)

- (a) B1 (thiamine)
- (b) B2 (riboflavin)
- (c) B3 (niacin)
- (d) B9 (folic acid)
- (e) B12

28. Which **B vitamin** cannot be obtained from non-animal sources? (e)

- (a) B1 (thiamine)
- (b) B2 (riboflavin)
- (c) B3 (niacin)
- (d) B9 (folic acid)
- (e) B12

29. Which of the following statements about the use of **sodium nitrite** in food is NOT true? (b)

- (a) inhibits botulinus bacteria
- (b) may be carcinogenic
- (c) prevents meat from turning gray
- (d) does not significantly penetrate below the surface of the meat

30. Which of the following statements about **daminozide (ALAR)** is/are TRUE? (e)

- (a) ALAR was sprayed on fruit to keep it from falling off the tree too soon and bruising
- (b) ALAR was banned due to strong lobby pressure on the FDA
- (c) ALAR is a carcinogen
- (d) apple juice from apples sprayed with ALAR contained detectable levels of daminozide
- (e) all of the statements in (a)-(d)

31. Which of the following statements about **glyphosate** is/are TRUE? (e)

- (a) Deactivates rapidly in soil
- (b) Stops biosynthesis of aromatic amino acids
- (c) Has low mammalian toxicity
- (d) Is a broad spectrum herbicide (kills almost all types of vegetation)
- (e) All of the above statements are true

32. Which of the following statements about **atrazine** is TRUE? (c)

- (a) Deactivates rapidly in soil
- (b) Stops biosynthesis of aromatic amino acids
- (c) Banned by the EU because it causes feminization of frogs
- (d) Has been used by terrorists as a potent nerve agent
- (e) None of the above statements are true

Note: Graded out of 32 but dropped questions counted as correct for all answers.

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