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**Entrance Examination: Academic session 2017  
DM Cardiology (Medicine)**

**Maximum marks: 100**

**Duration: 90 minutes**

Select the most appropriate answer

1. Among the following drugs, which is not effective against Tinea versicolor?
  - A. Selenium sulphide
  - B. Salicylic acid
  - C. Griseofulvin
  - D. Ketoconazole
  
2. All of the following are causes of polyuria with high osmolality of urine, except
  - A. High protein diet
  - B. Resolving acute tubular necrosis
  - C. Diuretics
  - D. Empty sella
  
3. Infective endocarditis involving tricuspid valve is usually caused by
  - A. Staphylococcus aureus
  - B. Streptococci
  - C. Pseudomonas
  - D. Escherichia coli
  
4. Which of the following is not a major criterion in Duke's criteria for the diagnosis of infective endocarditis
  - A. Typical microorganism of infective endocarditis from two separate blood cultures
  - B. Oscillating intra-cardiac mass on a prosthetic valve
  - C. Valve abscess
  - D. Change in pre-existing murmur
  
5. Oral drug available for the treatment of visceral leishmaniasis is
  - A. Pentamidine
  - B. Antimony
  - C. Paromomycin
  - D. Miltefosine
  
6. All the following are true about Zika virus, except
  - A. It is a pestivirus
  - B. Transmitted by Aedes mosquitoes
  - C. Virus can be sexually transmitted
  - D. No effective vaccine is available

7. Lomitapide acts by
  - A. Inhibiting squalene synthase
  - B. Inhibiting microsomal triglyceride transfer protein
  - C. Inhibiting cholesteryl ester transfer protein
  - D. Inhibiting PCSK9
  
8. Nephilysin inhibitor is approved in the treatment of
  - A. Systemic hypertension
  - B. Pulmonary hypertension
  - C. Heart failure
  - D. Ischemic nephropathy
  
9. Cytotoxin production is the commonest pathological mechanism in diarrhoea by
  - A. Bacillus cereus
  - B. Giardia lamblia
  - C. Salmonella
  - D. Clostridium difficile
  
10. Number needed to treat is
  - A. Inverse of number needed to harm
  - B. Inverse of absolute risk reduction
  - C. Inverse of attributable risk
  - D. Inverse of preventive fraction
  
11. Which among the following is not a component of HAS-BLED score
  - A. Systemic hypertension
  - B. Previous stroke
  - C. Labile INR
  - D. Diabetes mellitus
  
12. Which is of the following is a characteristic of ulcerative colitis?
  - A. Segmental colonic involvement
  - B. Granulomas
  - C. Palpable abdominal mass
  - D. No recurrence after colectomy
  
13. Which of the following is not a common feature of multiple myeloma?
  - A. Pain precipitated by movement
  - B. Splenomegaly
  - C. Acute leukaemia due to therapeutic agents
  - D. Serum M component is IgG in >50%
  
14. Which of the following is useful to follow up the clinical course of SLE?
  - A. Anti-Sm
  - B. Anti-Ro
  - C. ANA
  - D. Anti-dsDNA

15. Glycogen content of human liver is .....% of its weight
- A. 4%
  - B. 8%
  - C. 12%
  - D. 16%
16. Water soluble vitamin that is stored in the body is
- A. Thiamine
  - B. Pyridoxine
  - C. Nicotinic acid
  - D. Cyanocobalamin
17. Basal blood levels of which of the following is decreased in type 2 diabetic subject
- A. Glucagon
  - B. Gastric inhibitory peptide
  - C. Glucagon like peptide 1 (GLP 1)
  - D. Leptin
18. Anti SSA/Ro antibody in connective tissue denotes
- A. Antibody directed against single stranded DNA
  - B. Antibody directed against double stranded DNA
  - C. Antibody directed against soluble strands of DNA
  - D. Antibody implicated in Sjogren's syndrome
19. Thyroidectomy is indicated by 3 to 6 years to prevent cancer in
- A. Multiple endocrine neoplasia type 1
  - B. Multiple endocrine neoplasia type 2
  - C. McCune Albright's syndrome
  - D. APUDOMAs
20. The three pathways of complement activation converge on cleavage of,
- A. C2
  - B. C4
  - C. C5
  - D. C3
21. Micro abscess of Munro is typical of
- A. Ulcerative colitis
  - B. Psoriasis
  - C. Reiter's syndrome
  - D. Schistosomiasis
22. Classical example of a male preponderant autoimmune disease is
- A. Rheumatic fever
  - B. Myasthenia gravis
  - C. Systemic sclerosis
  - D. Ankylosing spondylitis

23. Which of the following is characterized by hematuria, proteinuria, hypertension and normal serum complement levels?
- A. Mixed essential cryoglobulinemia
  - B. Hepatitis C – associated membranoproliferative glomerulonephritis
  - C. Diffuse proliferative lupus nephritis
  - D. Henoch-Schonlein purpura
24. Plasma levels of which of the following is likely to be lower than normal as a consequence of severe liver damage?
- A. Ammonia (NH<sub>3</sub>)
  - B. Ammonium (NH<sub>4</sub>)
  - C. Alanine
  - D. Urea
25. Of the following, which is expressed earliest in B cell development?
- A. Surface IgD
  - B. Surface IgG
  - C. Surface IgM
  - D. Cytoplasmic chains
26. A clinical presentation that includes long thin extremities, dislocation of the ocular lens and aortic aneurysms is most likely due to a derangement in which of the following molecules?
- A. Procollagen type II
  - B. Proteoglycan
  - C. Elastin
  - D. Fibrillin
27. Dermatophytosis is caused by all of the following, except
- A. Trichophyton
  - B. Epidermophyton
  - C. Malassezia furfur
  - D. Microsporum
28. Evoked-potential testing is most useful in diagnosing
- A. Brainstem involvement in stroke
  - B. A clinically occult lesion in multiple sclerosis
  - C. Large hemispherical strokes
  - D. Spinal cord compression
29. Which of the following is most appropriately administered to an individual who has ingested an overdose of aspirin?
- A. Acetazolamide
  - B. Sodium bicarbonate
  - C. N-acetylcysteine
  - D. Flumazenil

30. How many genes are deleted in hemoglobin H disease?
- 0
  - 1
  - 2
  - 3
31. Which of the following antiemetic drugs acts preferentially on the peripheral nervous system?
- Cisapride
  - Meclizine
  - Ondansetron
  - Scopolamine
32. Which of the following personality traits is most likely to describe a young woman with anorexia nervosa?
- Depressive
  - Borderline
  - Anxious
  - Perfectionist
33. Coumadin-induced skin necrosis is occasionally associated with the institution of oral anticoagulants in patients with
- Antithrombin III deficiency
  - Protein C deficiency
  - Factor VIII deficiency
  - Plasminogen deficiency
34. Urinary levels of PGE<sub>2</sub> is normal in
- Bartter syndrome type 1
  - Bartter syndrome type 2
  - Bartter syndrome type 4
  - Gitelman syndrome
35. All of the following are associated with non-haemolytic pancytopenia, except
- Abetalipoproteinemia
  - Schwachman-Diamond syndrome
  - Fanconi anemia
  - Congenital amegakaryocytic thrombocytopenia
36. In congenital adrenal hyperplasia, which of the following enzyme deficiency is never associated with salt wasting?
- 21 hydroxylase deficiency
  - 11 beta hydroxylase deficiency
  - 3 $\beta$ -Hydroxysteroid dehydrogenase deficiency
  - 17,20-lyase deficiency

37. Which of the following is not a cause of polyuria?
- A. Sickle cell anaemia
  - B. Hypocalcemia
  - C. Hypokalemia
  - D. Chemotherapy
38. All of the following statements are true regarding Y-linked inheritance, except
- A. Familial transmission is common
  - B. Genes are mostly associated with infertility
  - C. Both heterozygous and homozygous mutations are possible
  - D. Only males are affected
39. Serum thyroglobulin levels are elevated in all, except
- A. Follicular adenoma
  - B. Papillary thyroid cancer
  - C. Endemic goitre
  - D. Therapy with thyroid hormone
40. All of the the following are frequent initial features of multiple sclerosis, except
- A. Optic Neuritis
  - B. Paraesthesia
  - C. Sensory loss
  - D. Visual loss
41. Lumbar puncture should be preceded by CT in suspected meningitis, except
- A. Depressed sensorium
  - B. Focal neurologic deficit
  - C. Known mass lesion
  - D. Positive Kernig's sign
42. Serotonin syndrome is known to occur with
- A. Meropenem
  - B. Linezolid
  - C. Dexmedetomidine
  - D. Ketamine
43. The following malignancies are associated with cigarette smoking, except
- A. Bladder
  - B. Cervix
  - C. Postmenopausal breast cancer
  - D. Pancreas

44. The unique infection acquired from the donor heart after a cardiac transplant is
- Cytomegalovirus
  - Toxoplasma gondii
  - Pneumocystis
  - Cryptococcus
45. The biochemical test that distinguishes Staphylococcus aureus from S epidermis is
- Lactose Fermentation test
  - Coagulase test
  - Oxidase test
  - Urease test
46. A case of nephrotic syndrome on evaluation has hypertension, serum creatinine 2.0 mg% and urine microscopy showing granular casts. The most likely diagnosis is
- Chronic Glomerulonephritis
  - Focal segmental glomerulosclerosis
  - Minimal change disease
  - Membraneproliferative glomerulonephritis
47. The leading cause of mortality in chronic kidney disease is
- Cardiovascular disease
  - Uraemia
  - Infection
  - Malignancy
48. The following are pulmonary manifestations of SLE, except
- Pulmonary vascular disease
  - Pulmonary disease
  - Cavitary lung nodules
  - Pleuritis
49. Which of the following pairs of occupational lung disease and the culprit exposure doesn't match each other?
- Progressive massive fibrosis--Shipyard workers
  - Metal fume fever--Welding
  - Byssinosis--Cotton milling
  - Berylliosis--High technology electronics
50. The commonest extra-articular manifestation of Ankylosing spondylitis is
- Aortic regurgitation
  - Anterior uveitis
  - Pulmonary fibrosis
  - Inflammatory bowel disease

51. The underlying lesion in rheumatic mitral regurgitation is due to
- A. Retractable fibrosis of leaflets and chordae with loss of coaptation
  - B. Dilatation of the mitral annulus
  - C. Posterior mitral leaflet prolapse
  - D. Ruptured chordae
52. Which of the following is an intravenous P2Y<sub>12</sub> receptor inhibitor
- A. Ticagrelor
  - B. Clopidogrel
  - C. Prasugrel
  - D. Cangrelor
53. Ranolazine acts as
- A. Inhibitor of late sodium current
  - B. If current inhibitor
  - C. Potassium channel opener
  - D. Calcium channel blocker
54. "Milking effect" phenomenon on coronary angiography has been described in
- A. Critical left main stenosis
  - B. Myocardial bridge
  - C. Coronary aneurysm
  - D. Coronary arteriovenous fistula
55. Brain natriuretic peptide levels are increased in all of the following, except
- A. Constrictive pericarditis.
  - B. Restrictive cardiomyopathy
  - C. Non-ischemic cardiomyopathy
  - D. Severe aortic stenosis with left ventricular dysfunction
56. Tracer used to assess cardiac sympathetic denervation is
- A. <sup>11</sup>C-meta-hydroxyephedrine
  - B. Technetium (99mTc) sestamibi
  - C. Fludeoxyglucose (18F)
  - D. None of the above
57. Prevalence of hypertrophic cardiomyopathy in humans is approximately
- A. One in 50
  - B. One in 500
  - C. One in 1000
  - D. One in 1500



58. Left ventricular pressure tracing differs from right ventricle by shorter duration of
- A. Isovolumetric contraction
  - B. Ejection period
  - C. Systole
  - D. Isovolumetric relaxation
59. The following features contribute to left ventricular outflow tract obstruction in hypertrophic cardiomyopathy, except,
- A. Apical displacement of papillary muscles
  - B. Systolic anterior motion of mitral valve
  - C. Asymmetric septal hypertrophy
  - D. Apical hypertrophy
60. All of the following are true regarding the acquisition of ECG, except
- A. A band width limitation to 50 Hz is recommended by the American Heart Association for electrocardiography in children
  - B. The standard amplifier gain for routine electrocardiography is 1000
  - C. Time is usually represented as 400 msec/cm on the horizontal scale on an ECG
  - D. The bandwidth recommended for ECG in adults is 0.05 to 150 Hz
61. Which of the following statements is true regarding the cardiac cycle?
- A. Cardiologic systole extends from A2 to M1
  - B. Physiologic systole extends from the start of isovolumic contraction phase to the end of the ejection phase
  - C. Cardiologic systole starts and ends later than the physiologic systole
  - D. Cardiologic diastole includes filling phases and reduced ejection
62. All of the following are true regarding the hemodynamics of cardiac tamponade, except
- A. Paradoxical pulse may be absent in patients with concomitant left ventricular dysfunction
  - B. The normal decline of systemic venous pressures on inspiration is preserved.
  - C. The left and right heart pressures are 180 degrees out of phase.
  - D. Right atrial pressure and jugular venous pressure are usually discordant in tamponade
63. The mechanism of action of Selexipag is
- A. Oral prostacyclin analogue
  - B. Intravenous prostacyclin analogue
  - C. Guanylate cyclase stimulator
  - D. Prostacyclin receptor agonist

64. Which of the following is true regarding D-transposition of the great arteries (d-TGA)?
- A. Infants with d-TGA and VSD are susceptible to early development of pulmonary vascular disease
  - B. Atrial switch is the most commonly performed definitive repair
  - C. The aorta arises left and anterior to the pulmonary artery
  - D. Admixture physiology is common in d-TGA
65. The venous drainage of right ventricle is through
- A. Small cardiac vein
  - B. Great cardiac vein
  - C. Middle cardiac vein
  - D. Vein of Marshall.
66. The boundaries of the triangle of Koch do not include
- A. Coronary sinus
  - B. Tricuspid annulus
  - C. Tendon of Todaro
  - D. Crista terminalis
67. Aortic pulse wave velocity is used in estimating
- A. Endothelial dysfunction
  - B. Arterial stiffness
  - C. Severity of aortic regurgitation
  - D. Allograft vasculopathy
68. Cone repair is the surgical technique for
- A. Interrupted aortic arch
  - B. Fibro muscular subaortic obstruction
  - C. Supra valvar aortic stenosis
  - D. Ebstein's anomaly of tricuspid valve
69. All of the following is a short RP narrow QRS tachycardia except
- A. Orthodromic AVRT
  - B. Typical AVNRT
  - C. Junctional ectopic tachycardia
  - D. Permanent form of junctional reciprocating tachycardia
70. The following statements are true of sarcoid heart disease, except
- A. Results in left ventricular dysfunction
  - B. Complete heart block is a dominant feature
  - C. Pleomorphic ventricular tachycardia is frequent
  - D. Characteristic absence of delayed enhancement on MRI

71. RACHS scoring system is used in surgical risk stratification of .
- A. Aortic aneurysm.
  - B. Aortic valve replacement
  - C. Congenital heart surgery
  - D. Heart and lung transplantation
72. All of the following statements is true regarding coarctation of aorta, except
- A. Only 25% of untreated patients survive their 5th decade
  - B. Pressure gradient of 20 mm Hg across the segment is class I indication for treatment
  - C. Patients with Turner's syndrome has higher risk of aortic dissection
  - D. Balloon angioplasty is the treatment of choice in adults with coarctation
73. All of the following statements is true regarding the effect of alcohol on cardiovascular diseases, except
- A. Alcohol intake is associated with increase in HDL levels
  - B. Alcohol promotes fibrinolytic activity
  - C. Alcohol promotes platelet aggregation
  - D. Alcohol reduces hsCRP
74. Total cavo-pulmonary connection is the preferred surgical treatment for
- A. Tricuspid atresia with pulmonary stenosis
  - B. Corrected transposition of great arteries
  - C. Isolated ventricular inversion
  - D. Scimitar syndrome
75. A 25-year old male presents to OPD with a regular narrow QRS tachycardia at a rate of 80bpm, with P waves following each QRS. During carotid sinus massage, the tachycardia converts to LBBB morphology at a rate of 165bpm. The most likely diagnosis is
- A. AVNRT
  - B. Orthodromic AVRT using a left-sided bypass tract
  - C. VT with 1:1 VA conduction
  - D. AVNRT & VT co-existing
76. The left atrial pressure trace and pressure likely in the presence of S3
- A. Prominent V wave and elevated LA mean pressures
  - B. Prominent V wave and normal LA mean pressure
  - C. Prominent A wave and normal LA mean pressure
  - D. Prominent A wave and elevated LA mean pressures

77. Which clinical sign is suggestive of elevated pulmonary wedge pressure in mitral stenosis?
- A. Loud S1
  - B. Loud opening snap (OS)
  - C. Short A2-OS interval
  - D. Mid-diastolic Murmur
78. "Plucked chicken" appearance of the skin in the axillae and skinfolds of a young person is characteristic of
- A. Type III hyperlipoproteinemia
  - B. Type II hyperlipoproteinemia
  - C. Pseudoxanthoma elasticum
  - D. Abetalipoproteinemia
79. Which of these suggest RV Hypertrophy in the ECG of a neonate 7 days old?
- A. R/S ratio in V1 > 1
  - B. Right axis deviation
  - C. S waves in V6
  - D. Upright T wave in V1
80. Regarding cardiac device infections, the following are true except
- A. All-cause 12-weeks mortality is as high as 35%
  - B. Mortality is high with methicillin-resistant staphylococcus aureus
  - C. FDG PET-CT can accurately localize the site and extent of the pocket infection
  - D. FDG PET-CT is highly reliable for lead infection or vegetation evaluation
81. Which among the following is not an indication for AICD implantation
- A. Survivors of cardiac arrest secondary to ventricular fibrillation (VF)
  - B. Structural heart disease and spontaneous sustained ventricular tachycardia (VT) which is hemodynamically stable
  - C. Incessant VT or VF
  - D. Nonischemic dilated cardiomyopathy in patients who have an left ventricular ejection fraction  $\leq 35\%$  and are in NYHA functional class II or III
82. Loss of y descent in jugular venous pulse is a characteristic feature of
- A. Constrictive pericarditis
  - B. Cardiac tamponade
  - C. Restrictive cardiomyopathy
  - D. Tricuspid stenosis

83. On cardiac catheterization of a patient with mitral stenosis, the mean gradient between pulmonary capillary wedge pressure and left ventricular end-diastolic pressure was 16 mmHg at a heart rate of 60 bpm. The cardiac output by the Fick method was 4.0 L/min. The calculated mitral valve area is approximately

- A. 0.5 cm<sup>2</sup>
- B. 1.0 cm<sup>2</sup>
- C. 1.5 cm<sup>2</sup>
- D. 2.0 cm<sup>2</sup>

$$MVA = \frac{4}{37.4 \times 60 \times 16 \sqrt{}}$$

84. The type of VSD which will have the highest incidence of surgically induced atrioventricular block during closure

- A. Perimembraneous VSD
- B. Outflow VSD
- C. Mid-muscular VSD
- D. Apical muscular VSD

LV EDP

85. The following factors contribute to failure of Fontan repair, except

- A. Progressive right ventricular outflow obstruction
- B. Atrioventricular valve regurgitation
- C. Pulmonary arteriovenous fistula
- D. Left ventricular dysfunction

86. Contraindications to percutaneous balloon mitral valvotomy include all, except

- A. Bilateral calcific mitral valve commissure
- B. Left atrial body clot
- C. Subvalvar disease
- D. Moderate or more mitral regurgitation

87. The recommended period of oral anticoagulant therapy in a patient who had a bio-prosthetic valve implantation in sinus rhythm after surgery is

- A. 2 months
- B. 3 months
- C. 6 months
- D. 12 months in rheumatic etiology

88. The following coronary imaging modalities conveys the histological tissue characteristics, except

- A. Optical coherence tomography
- B. Near-infrared spectroscopy
- C. Virtual histology intravascular ultrasound
- D. Magnetic resonance imaging

89. All the following statements about aortic dissection are true, except
- A. Aortic regurgitation occurs in up to 70% of Type A (Stanford) dissections
  - B. Left coronary involvement in the dissection is more common than right coronary artery involvement
  - C. Majority of type B (Stanford) aortic dissections can be medically managed initially
  - D. Pulse deficit is more common in ascending aortic dissections
90. Which of the following was evaluated in SYNTAX trial?
- A. Role of ICD vs antiarrhythmics in postmyocardial infarction and left ventricular dysfunction
  - B. Role of CRT in heart failure
  - C. Role of renal denervation
  - D. Role of PCI vs CABG in coronary artery disease
91. Which cardiac condition is not associated with left axis deviation?
- A. AV canal defects
  - B. Single ventricle
  - C. Tricuspid atresia
  - D. Ebstein's anomaly
92. Which feature is not seen in total anomalous pulmonary venous connection?
- A. Continuous murmur
  - B. 'Figure of 8 appearance' on chest x-ray in infra-cardiac type of TAPVC
  - C. Right axis deviation on the ECG
  - D. Similar oxygen saturation in all the chambers
93. All of the following are expected to occur in ECG during exercise, except
- A. PR interval shortens
  - B. QT Interval shortens
  - C. R amplitude decreases
  - D. QRS duration shortens
94. All the following statements about hemodynamic changes during pregnancy are true, except
- A. Heart rate increases by 10 – 20%
  - B. Blood volume increases by 30-40%
  - C. Arterial blood pressure increases by 10-20%
  - D. Cardiac output increases by 30%
95. Which of the following modality is best useful to detect infiltrative cardiomyopathy related to Hemochromatosis?
- A. Multi-slice CT
  - B. 3D echo

- C. Cardiac MRI
  - D. Radionuclide angiography
96. The following statements regarding tetralogy of Fallot (TOF) are true, except
- A. Left axis deviation on the ECG suggests associated AV canal defect
  - B. The right ventricular outflow tract gradient is proportional to the severity of the disease
  - C. Jugular venous pressure is usually not elevated in children with TOF
  - D. Good surgical outcome is primarily decided by the pulmonary anatomy
97. Immunohistochemical stains for anti-CD68 antigens are used to detect which of the following cell types in myocarditis
- A. Neutrophils
  - B. T-lymphocytes
  - C. B-Lymphocytes
  - D. Macrophages
98. Which of the following conditions can have the oxygen saturation of blood in pulmonary artery higher than that in the aorta?
- A. Corrected transposition of great arteries
  - B. Infracardiac TAPVC with patent foramen ovale
  - C. Taussig Bing anomaly
  - D. Right pulmonary artery to left atrial fistula
99. SCN5A gene mutations are involved in all the following conditions, except
- A. Sick sinus syndrome
  - B. Familial atrial fibrillation
  - C. Progressive cardiac conduction defect
  - D. Short QT syndrome
100. Pressure half time across a stenotic mitral valve is 250ms. What is the mitral valve area?
- A.  $0.46 \text{ cm}^2$
  - B.  $0.88 \text{ cm}^2$
  - C.  $1.26 \text{ cm}^2$
  - D.  $1.52 \text{ cm}^2$

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2	D	27	C	2	B	27	B	52	D	77	C
3	A	28	B	3	C	28	C	53	A	78	C
4	D	29	B	4	A	29	D	54	B	79	D
5	D	30	D	5	D	30	D	55	A	80	D
6	A	31	A	6	C	31	C	56	A	81	C
7	B	32	C	7	B	32	B	57	B	82	B
8	C	33	B	8	C	33	C	58	B	83	B
9	D	34	D	9	C	34	C	59	D	84	A
10	B	35	A	10	D	35	A	60	A	85	A
11	D	36	B	11	D	36	A	61	C	86	C
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21	B	46	B	21	A	46	A	71	C	96	B
22	D	47	A	22	A	47	B	72	D	97	D
23	D	48	C	23	A	48	B	73	C	98	C
24	D	49	A	24	D	49	C	74	A	99	D
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