



## ASCLS Continuing Education

### Clinical Lab Investigations: Case Studies for the Lab Professional Case set #22 – Hematology

#### Final Quiz

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Select the single best answer for each of the following multiple-choice questions and record on the answer sheet.

1. Why would a patient with vitamin B12 deficiency have elevated levels of serum iron and ferritin?
  - a. Increased extravascular hemolysis
  - b. Decreased hepcidin levels due to increased rates of erythropoiesis
  - c. Increased intramedullary hemolysis related to ineffective hematopoiesis
  - d. Increased iron absorption in the duodenum and jejunum in an attempt to increase rates of erythropoiesis
2. How would levels of serum MMA and homocysteine be affected in folate deficiency?
  - a. Neither level would be affected
  - b. Serum MMA would be decreased
  - c. Serum homocysteine levels would be increased
  - d. Serum MMA would be decreased while serum homocysteine would be increased
3. Which of the following would you expect to see in the bone marrow of someone with pernicious anemia?
  - a. Hypocellular bone marrow with a decreased M:E ratio
  - b. Hypocellular bone marrow with an increased M:E ratio
  - c. Hypercellular bone marrow with a decreased M:E ratio
  - d. Hypercellular bone marrow with an increased M:E ratio
4. What causes ineffective erythropoiesis in pernicious anemia?
  - a. Impaired cell signaling
  - b. Impaired purine synthesis
  - c. Impaired histone acetylation
  - d. Impaired pyrimidine synthesis
5. What type of jaundice would you see in someone with severe pernicious anemia?
  - a. Pre-hepatic jaundice
  - b. Post-hepatic jaundice

- c. Intra-hepatic jaundice
  - d. You would not expect to see jaundice
6. What antibodies could one expect to find in the serum of a patient with PA?
- a. Anti-nuclear antibodies (ANAs)
  - b. Anti-Chief cell antibodies, Anti-M antibodies
  - c. Anti-K-Na-ATPase antibodies, Anti-gastrin antibodies
  - d. Anti-Intrinsic factor antibodies, Anti-parietal cell antibodies
7. Which of the following CBC results could be the result of pernicious anemia?
- a. RBC:  $3.9 \times 10^6/\mu\text{L}$ ; Hgb: 9.3g/dL; Hct: 27.5%
  - b. RBC:  $2.9 \times 10^6/\mu\text{L}$ ; Hgb: 7.0g/dL; Hct: 21.6%
  - c. RBC:  $3.1 \times 10^6/\mu\text{L}$ ; Hgb: 10.7g/dL; Hct: 33.9%
  - d. RBC:  $4.5 \times 10^6/\mu\text{L}$ ; Hgb: 13.1g/dL; Hct: 39.6%
8. Why are hyper-segmented neutrophils seen in PA?
- a. Endomitosis
  - b. Aberrant DNA synthesis
  - c. A maturation block in the granulocytic lineage
  - d. Abnormal cell signaling in the granulocytic lineage
9. Levels of gastrin are often elevated in PA. Would you expect to see such gastrin levels in those with folate deficiency?
- a. Yes, elevated levels of gastrin are found in most cases of anemia
  - b. Yes, elevated levels of gastrin are found as a result of megaloblastic anemia and pancreatic hypoxia
  - c. No, levels of gastrin are only elevated in PA as a result of neuropathy and resulting pancreatic dysfunction
  - d. No, levels of gastrin are only elevated in PA as a result of prolonged achlorhydria following parietal cell destruction
10. The neuropathy seen in PA is most likely caused by the:
- a. Defective signaling at synaptic junctions
  - b. Neuronal damage secondary to systemic hypoxia
  - c. Lack of methionine secondary to a lack of methylcobalamin
  - d. The buildup of methylmalonic acid secondary to a lack of adenosylcobalamin

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