

## **Physiology week 18-20 - Endocrine VIVAs**

### **What factors control blood glucose levels?**

1. Absorption: dietary intake, renal tubule reabsorption
2. rate of entry into cells (including factors which affect this such as insulin, glucagon)
3. glucostatic activity of the liver (storage of glycogen, breakdown of glycogen, gluconeogenesis)

### **What are the potential pathways for glucose metabolism in the body?**

1. aerobic
2. anaerobic
3. glycogen
4. pentoses



TOPIC: Aldosterone synthesis/effects/feedback loop \_\_\_\_\_ NUMBER: \_\_\_\_\_

OPENING QUESTION	Describe the actions of Aldosterone.	COMMENTS
POINTS REQUIRED	<p>1. increase reabsorption of Na<sup>+</sup> from urine</p> <p>Acts on principal cells (P cells) of collecting ducts, leading to increased amounts of Na<sup>+</sup> exchanged for K<sup>+</sup> and H<sup>+</sup> in renal tubules, producing a K<sup>+</sup> diuresis and fall in urine pH.</p>	Aldosterone cause retention of Na <sup>+</sup> in ECF leading to ECF volume expansion
	2. increase reabsorption of Na <sup>+</sup> from sweat, saliva and colon	
PROMPTS		
SECOND QUESTION (if needed)	List the stimuli that increase aldosterone secretion	
POINTS REQUIRED	1. ACTH from pituitary	1, 2 and two others at least
	2. renin from kidney via angiotensin II	
	3. direct stimulatory effect of rise in plasma K <sup>+</sup> concentration on adrenal cortex	
	4. Clinical causes: Surgery            Anxiety            Physical trauma Haemorrhage      High K intake    Low Na intake Standing            Constriction of IVC in thorax 2 <sup>o</sup> hyperaldosteronism (eg CCF, cirrhosis, nephrosis)	
PROMPTS		
THIRD QUESTION (if needed)	Describe the feedback regulation of aldosterone secretion.	via renin-angiotensin system feedback loop.
POINTS REQUIRED	1. Fall in ECF / blood volume → reflex increase in renal nerve discharge & decrease in renal artery pressure	Bolded
	2. → increase in renin secretion → increase in angiotensin II → increase in aldosterone secretion	
	3. → Na <sup>+</sup> & water retention → expanded ECF volume → decrease in stimulus that initiated renin secretion	
PROMPTS		

## Insulin

TOPIC: Insulin secretion NUMBER: \_\_\_\_\_

OPENING QUESTION	What happens to the insulin secretion when a person is injected with 50ml of 50% D <sub>50</sub> ?	PROMPTS	COMMENTS
POINTS REQUIRED	1. It would go up	1	
SECOND QUESTION (if needed)	Describe the mechanism of insulin secretion.		
POINTS REQUIRED	1. The insulin is dumped from the beta cells of the Islets of Langerhans within 3-5 minutes followed by a plateau at 2-3 hrs by activation of the enzyme system	1	
	2. Glucose is metabolised by the glucokinase and this involve ATP, decrease potassium efflux and increase calcium entry into cells that cause release of insulin by exocytosis.	2	

Endocrine regulation of glucose homeostasis	Physiologically what are the acute consequences of insulin deficiency?  Describe the biosynthesis of insulin  Describe the structure of the insulin receptor	Intracellular glucose deficiency; extracellular excess; protein and fat catabolism  B cells as a precursor hormone; insulin released from the cell with C peptide.  2 alpha and 2 beta glycoprotein subunits.
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**TOPIC: Insulin mechanism NUMBER: 4**

OPENING QUESTION	What are the main effects of insulin?	PROMPTS	COMMENTS
POINTS REQUIRED	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Increased glucose into cells (adipose, liver, muscle)</li> <li>Protein synthesis</li> <li>Glycogenolysis</li> <li>K into cells</li> </ol>	1	Need to know % to pass
SECOND QUESTION (if needed)	What is the mechanism of action of insulin?		
POINTS REQUIRED	Insulin binds to insulin receptors on insulin sensitive cells, triggers autophosphorylation of the insulin receptor which is necessary for the insulin effects. There is receptor mediated endocytosis into the cell and the insulin-receptor complexes trigger cytoplasmic proteins to produce various other proteins. There are at least 4 insulin related substrate (IRS) proteins in cells.	1	<i>Must describe that insulin binds to receptor and is taken into cell where secondary mediators are formed</i>

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**TOPIC: Physiology of Insulin**

**NUMBER:**

OPENING QUESTION	What happens when insulin binds to an insulin receptor?	COMMENTS
POINTS REQUIRED	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Insulin receptor: tetramer - 2 <math>\alpha</math> and 2 <math>\beta</math> glycosylated subunits <math>\alpha</math> subunits extracellular + bind insulin; <math>\beta</math> subunits span membrane, intracellular parts have tyrosine kinase activity</li> <li>Insulin binding triggers tyrosine kinase activity of <math>\beta</math> subunits <math>\rightarrow</math> autophosphorylation of <math>\beta</math> subunits on tyrosine residues</li> <li><math>\rightarrow</math> phosphorylation and de-phosphorylation of proteins</li> <li><math>\rightarrow</math> Effectors and secondary mediators - Insulin receptor substrate (IRS-1) phosphoinositide 3-kinase (PI3K)</li> <li>Once bound, insulin receptors aggregate in patches and are endocytosed <math>\rightarrow</math> enter lysosomes <math>\rightarrow</math> broken down or recycled.</li> </ol>	2 of points 2 - 5
PROMPTS	What is the structure of an insulin receptor?	
SECOND QUESTION	What are the principal actions of insulin?	
POINTS REQUIRED	Net effect: storage of CHO, protein and fat	
	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Rapid (seconds): <math>\uparrow</math> transport of glucose, amino acids and K into insulin-sensitive cells</li> <li>Intermediate (minutes): stimulation of protein synthesis and inhibition of protein degradation; activation of glycolytic enzymes and glycogen synthase; inhibition of phosphorylase and gluconeogenic enzymes</li> <li>Delayed (hours): <math>\uparrow</math> mRNAs for lipogenic/other enzymes</li> </ol>	All 3
PROMPTS	What happens seconds, minutes and hours after insulin binds?	

3.4 Insulin & Glucose Ganong pp 336-340	Describe the effects of insulin on various tissues  What is the time frame for these effects	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Adipose: glucose in, fatty acid + glycerol synthesis, TG deposition, K in</li> <li>Muscle: glucose in, glycogen synthesis, AAs in, protein synthesis, ketones in, K in</li> <li>Liver: glycogen, protein + lipid synthesis,</li> <li>General: cell growth</li> </ul> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Rapid: glucose, AAs, K into sensitive cells</li> <li>Intermediate: protein synthesis, glycolysis and synthesis, inhibition gluconeogenesis</li> <li>Delayed: lipogenesis</li> </ul>
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2 a). What are the principal actions of insulin?	<p>Storage of carbohydrate, prot and fat, varies with tissues</p> <p>Rapid- seconds. Glc, amino acids and K<sup>+</sup> into insulin sens cells</p> <p>Intermediate- minutes. Stimulates prot synthesis, inhibits prot degradation, activates glycolytic enzymes &amp; glycogen synthase, inhibits phosphorylase and gluconeogenic enzymes.</p> <p>Delayed- Hrs. increase in mRNA for lipogenic &amp; other enzymes</p>	<p>Glc and K from rapid. 2 others Answer must reflect understanding of effects on carbohydrate, protein and fat</p>
2 b) What happens when insulin binds to its receptor?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Binds to a cell membrane-based stereospecific insulin receptor on insulin-sensitive cells</li> <li>Insulin binding triggers tyrosine kinase activity of <math>\beta</math> subunits <math>\rightarrow</math> autophosphorylation of <math>\beta</math> subunits on tyrosine residues</li> <li>The above reaction <math>\rightarrow</math> phosphorylation and de-phosphorylation of proteins that are effectors and secondary mediators.</li> </ul>	<p>Binding results in activation of secondary protein effectors (tyrosine kinase activity) and mediators (phosphorylation)</p>

Question 4a:	<p><b>What are the major factors determining the plasma glucose level?</b></p> <p>PROMPTS</p> <p>If discussing hormones XS- how does glucose enter and leave the plasma</p>	<p>1) Concept: Balance between glucose entering the bloodstream and glucose leaving the bloodstream.</p> <p>2. Dietary intake</p> <p>3. Cellular uptake (partic muscle/fat/ hepatic)</p> <p>4. Hepatic glucostat / glycogenesis, glycogenolysis, gluconeogenesis</p> <p>5. Renal freely filtered but PT reabsorbed to T<sub>max</sub></p> <p>6) Hormonal effects on these (partic 1, 3,4)</p>	<p><b>COMMENTS</b></p> <p>3 for a pass + concept</p> <p>Complex hormonal effects not required</p>
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4b :	<p>List the hormones which effect plasma glucose levels?</p> <p>Prompt- which way does gluc move</p>	<p>BSL - Insulin (<math>\downarrow</math>), Ins like GF 1 and 2- (NSILA)</p> <p><math>\uparrow</math> BSL Catecholamines (Nor / Epi partic <math>\rightarrow</math>), Glucagon (<math>\rightarrow</math>), GH<math>\rightarrow</math>, Cortisol<math>\rightarrow</math>, Thyroid</p> <p>Pass requires 3 hormones + correct <math>&lt;</math> or <math>&gt;</math></p>	<p>Insulin via glucose uptake (at tissues), glycogenogenesis, Liver - gluc to fat, - IGF- similar but much <math>&lt;</math></p> <p>Catechol -<math>\beta</math> receptor <math>&gt;</math> cAMP- glycogenolysis/ gluconeogenesis</p> <p>Glucagon- cAMP direct- as catech</p> <p>TFTs- <math>&gt;</math> absorption + <math>\uparrow</math>glycogenolysis (liver partic) + ins bkdwn<math>\uparrow</math></p> <p>Cortisol- permissive to Glucagon/Catechols + some glucogenesis, prot to gluc liver- <math>&lt;</math> uptake</p> <p>GH- <math>&gt;</math> gluc liver, insulin block, <math>&lt;</math>tissue uptake</p>
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<p><b>Overview: Ultimate fate of ingested glucose:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>5% converted to glycogen in the liver</li> <li>30-40% converted into fat</li> <li>55-65% metabolized into energy</li> </ul>
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>First, glucose phosphorylated to glucose-6-P<sub>4</sub> (G6P) inside cells (hexokinase, glucokinase)- this is the essential 1<sup>st</sup> step which makes it 'usable'</li> <li>Then, G6P can go one of two ways: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>polymerized to glycogen (5% ends up this way). NB I think needs to be reconverted to glucose-1-P<sub>4</sub></li> <li>catabolized to pyruvate [via the Embden Meyerhof pathway or hexose monophosphate shunt]</li> </ol> </li> <li>Pyruvate then can go one of two ways: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Aerobic conditions:</b> converted to acetyl CoA, which is the essential fuel for the citric acid [Krebs] cycle. This generates net <b>38 ATP</b> per glucose. [Some say 30.]</li> <li><b>Anaerobic conditions:</b> converted to lactate which is converted back when oxygen becomes available. This generates only <b>2 ATP</b>.</li> </ol> </li> </ol>

	Insulin has a hypoglycaemic action but it has many other effects on amino acid and electrolyte transport, enzymes and growth. The net effect is storage of carbohydrate, protein and fat.		
THIRD QUESTION	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Rapid (seconds)</b> Increased transport of glucose, amino acids and potassium into insulin sensitive cells.</li> <li><b>Intermediate (minutes)</b> Stimulation of protein synthesis Inhibition of protein degradation Activation of glycolytic enzymes and glycogen synthase Inhibition of phosphocytase and gluconeogenic enzymes</li> <li><b>Delayed (hours)</b> Increase in mRNAs for lipogenic and other enzymes.</li> </ul> <p>How is insulin secretion regulated?</p>		
POINTS REQUIRED	<p>Overview:</p> <p>1. insulin is secreted by Beta cells, which form the majority of islet cells in the Islets of Langerhans (endocrine pancreas). 80% is degraded in liver and kidney.</p>		
	<p><b>Stimulators:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Glucose, mannose, fructose</b> Glucose enters B cells via GLUT 2 transporters. Glucose is then metabolized by glucokinase generating ATP that closes ATP sensitive potassium channels. Depolarization results in opening of voltage sensitive calcium channels and intracellular calcium triggers insulin release.</li> <li><b>Intestinal hormones</b> Gastrin Secretin CCK, Glucagon GIP <b>Protein and fat derivatives</b> Amino acids (leucine, arginine) Beta keto acids</li> <li><b>Autonomic nervous system</b> Acetylcholine via M<sub>3</sub> receptors and right Vagus nerve Causes activation of phospholipase C, release of IP<sub>3</sub> and subsequent calcium release from endoplasmic reticulum. Beta adrenergic agonists alpha agonists cause inhibition and this tends to be the dominant effect unless there an alpha antagonist is present</li> <li><b>Increased cAMP</b> due to: Glucagon Theophylline <b>Sulphonylureas</b> (Cause membrane depolarization of B cells and calcium influx.)</li> </ul>		

OPENING QUESTION	Describe the effects of insulin	PROMP	COMMENTS
	<b>General:</b> Increased cell growth		
POINTS REQUIRED	<p><b>Liver</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Decreased glucose output due to decreased gluconeogenesis and increased glycogen synthesis.</li> <li>Increased protein synthesis</li> <li>Increased lipid synthesis</li> <li>Decreased ketogenesis</li> </ul>		
	<p><b>Fat</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Increased glucose entry</li> <li>Increased fatty acid synthesis</li> <li>Increased triglyceride deposition</li> <li>Activation of lipoprotein lipase</li> <li>Increased potassium uptake</li> </ul>		
	<p><b>Muscle</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Increased glucose entry</li> <li>Increased glycogen synthesis</li> <li>Increased amino acid uptake</li> <li>Increased protein synthesis</li> <li>Decreased protein catabolism</li> <li>Decreased release of gluconeogenic amino acids</li> <li>Increased ketone uptake</li> <li>Increased potassium uptake</li> </ul>		
	<b>Heart:</b> positive inotropy, chronotropy		
SECOND QUESTION	How does insulin cause these effects?	What is its cellular mechanism of action?	
POINTS REQUIRED	Insulin binds with an insulin transmembrane receptor that binds and stimulates a protein tyrosine kinase. Exposure to increased insulin down regulates receptor concentration and affinity.		

	<b>Inhibitors</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Somatostatin</b></li> <li>• <b>Glucose metabolism preventers</b> 2-Deoxyglucose Mannoheptulose</li> <li>• <b>Autonomic nervous system</b> Alpha adrenergic agonists Beta antagonists</li> <li>• <b>Glibenclamide</b> Polypeptide found in some of the autonomic nerves innervating the islets. Causes opening of potassium channels</li> <li>• <b>Hypokalaemia and potassium depleters</b> Thiazide diuretics Phenytoin Allopurinol Microtubule inhibitors <b>Insulin</b></li> </ul>		
<b>FOURTH QUESTION</b>	DESCRIBE THE PRODUCTION & METABOLISM OF INSULIN		
<b>POINTS REQUIRED</b>	Production Polypeptide containing 2 chains (A and B) of amino acids linked by disulfide bridges. Synthesized as part of proinsulin. Removal of a peptide leader sequence forms proinsulin. Connecting peptide is removed in the granules prior to release.		
	Metabolism Half life 5 minutes. Binds to insulin receptors and is internalized. Destroyed by insulin protease.		

## Calcium

TOPIC: Calcium metabolism \_\_\_\_\_ NUMBER: \_\_\_\_\_

OPENING QUESTION	PROMPTS	COMMENTS
Discuss the hormonal control of calcium metabolism		
<b>POINTS REQUIRED</b>		
1 1, 25 DHC, inc uptake (gut and renal)	1 What are the three hormones involved?	
2 PTH, inc reabsorption from bone	2	
3 Calcitonin, dec reabsorption from bone	3	
4	4	
5	5	
6	6	
<b>SECOND QUESTION (if needed)</b>	What are the secondary hormones involved?	
<b>POINTS REQUIRED</b>		
1 GH, inc gut reabsorption	1	
2 Glucocorticoids, inc bone reabsorption	2	
3 Oestrogens, inhibit osteoclasts	3	
4	4	
5	5	
6	6	
7		
<b>THIRD QUESTION (if needed)</b>	How does a high calcium affect the mechanism you just discussed?	
<b>POINTS REQUIRED</b>		
1 Decreased 1,25 DHC	1	
2 Decreased PTH	2	

What are the actions of the parathyroid hormone on Calcium?

PTH-

- ↑ plasma Ca<sup>++</sup> by:
  - ↑ Ca<sup>++</sup> mobilization ↑ bone reabsorption,
  - ↑ Ca<sup>++</sup> reabsorption in distal tubule and (3) Ca reabsorption

Pass: Ca ++ ↑ PO4 ↓ + some idea of how these achieved OR additional other mechs

What are the other effects of PTH?

- ↓ plasma phosphate: ↓ PO<sub>4</sub> reabsorption in proximal tubules
- ↑ 1,25 dihydroxycholecalciferol: renal (> Ca absorption)
- Over a longer time: ↑ osteoblastic and osteoclastic stimulation- prob anabolic

Parathyroid related hormone- (prob fetal/ cartilage growth + teeth/ breast- skin) ?

**PO4 < +1 other in either section**

**TOPIC: Calcium metabolism NUMBER: 5**

OPENING QUESTION	Name the principal hormones associated with regulation of Ca metabolism	PROMPTS	COMMENTS
POINTS REQUIRED	1. 1,25 dihydroxy cholecalciferol 2. Parathyroid hormone 3. Calcitonin		Need 2 to pass
SECOND QUESTION (if needed)	Describe the action of parathyroid hormone.		
POINTS REQUIRED	PTH- reabsorption of Ca from Bone; increase urine Phosphate excretion. Increase formation of 1,25 dihydroxycholecalciferol → incre Ca absorption in GIT. Increased PO4 stimulate PTH prod'n by lowering serum Ca and inhibit form of 1,25 DIHYDRO		Need 2/3
THIRD QUESTION (if needed)	Describe the action of 1, 25 dihydroxycholecalciferol & calcitonin.		
POINTS REQUIRED	1,25 dihydrox -increase Ca and Phosphate absorption from intestine via calbindin proteins, Also Increase Ca reabsorption in Kidneys, increase synthetic activity of osteoblasts, necessary for normal Ca of bony matrix.		Need 1 point to pass
	Calcitonin- inhibits bone resorption (inhibits osteoclastic activity) → lowers serum Ca AND PO4 levels. Increases Ca excretion in urine. Parafollicular cells.	Only if doing well.	

Question 4: Regulation of plasma calcium levels. Ganong pp 382-95	<p>i) How plasma calcium levels are regulated?</p> <p>Prompt: What increases or decreases plasma calcium?</p> <p>ii) Describe the regulation of parathyroid hormone levels. Prompt: What stimulates production of parathyroid hormone?</p>	<p>a) <b>1,25-Dihydroxycholecalciferol (from Vit D)</b> incr Ca absorption from gut and kidneys.</p> <p>b) <b>Parathyroid hormone</b> mobilizes Ca from bone.</p> <p>c) <b>Calcitonin</b> (from thyroid) inhibits bone resorption. Glucocorticoids, GH, oestrogens and others also effect Ca. 95% in bone (some readily available). In plasma, some bound and some free (depends on plasma protein levels and pH). Incr phosphate decr Ca.</p> <p>i) <b>Negative feedback</b> by Ca via a membrane Ca receptor and G protein. 1,25-Dihydroxycholecalciferol acts to decrease preproPTH mRNA. Incr phosphate incr PTH by decr Ca and 1,25 DHCC. Mg required for PTH secretion.</p>	Need to list all 3 and discuss its effect on Ca (inc or dec).
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Reflex arc</b> consisting of <b>sensory organ(s)   afferent limb(s)   central integrator(s)   efferent limbs   effectors.</b></li> <li>• Sensory organs are nociceptors in the skin or subcutaneous tissues, responding to noxious (usually painful) stimuli.</li> <li>• Afferent limb is/are sensory (pain) fibre(s) to the</li> </ul>	

3.5 Regulation of calcium Ganong pp 383-393	<p>What factors influence the level of free calcium in plasma?</p> <p>How does bone resorption occur?</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Protein binding - depends on plasma protein level and pH.</li> <li>• Total body calcium           <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>o bound in bone; bone calcium readily exchangeable or slowly exchangeable (resorption / deposition)</li> <li>o Intake</li> <li>o GI absorption under influence of vitamin D</li> <li>o Renal excretion under vitamin D influence</li> <li>o Parathyroid hormone</li> <li>o Calcitonin</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Osteoclasts are monocytes that develop from stromal cells under influence of RANKL.</li> <li>• Attach to bone via integrins in sealing zone of the membrane.</li> <li>• Hydrogen dependent proton pumps move into cell and acidify the area.</li> <li>• Acid dissolves hydroxyapatite and collagen.</li> <li>• Products move across osteoclast into interstitial fluid.</li> </ul>
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1.5 Vitamin D Ganong pp 387-388	What are the actions of vitamin D?	(3 of 4) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Increased absorption of calcium from the intestine by induction of calbindin-D proteins.</li> <li>Increased resorption of calcium in the kidneys.</li> <li>Increased osteoblast activity.</li> <li>Aids calcification of bone matrix.</li> </ul>
	How is the synthesis of vitamin D regulated?	(3 of 5) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Not closely regulated.</li> <li>Low calcium leads to increased PTH secretion and increased vitamin D is produced.</li> <li>High calcium inhibits PTH and the kidneys produce inactive metabolites.</li> <li>Low phosphate increases vitamin D production (and high phosphate inhibits it).</li> <li>Vitamin D inhibits the enzyme involved in its synthesis.</li> </ul>

## Adrenal

TOPIC: Adrenomedullary hormones \_\_\_\_\_ NUMBER: \_\_\_\_\_

OPENING QUESTION	PROMPTS	COMMENTS
How do the effects of noradrenaline and adrenaline differ on the cardiovascular system?		
POINTS REQUIRED		
1 BP: norad; ad	1	
2 HR: norad; ad	2	
3 CO: norad; ad	3	
4 TPR: norad; ad	4	
5	5	
6	6	
7	7	
8		
SECOND QUESTION (if needed)		
How do the effects of adrenaline differ with serum concentration?		
POINTS REQUIRED		
1Low concentrations – some beta effects, high concentrations alpha predominates	1	

3.5 Physiology of glucocorticoids	What are the effects of glucocorticoids.  How are they metabolised? How are they controlled?	Action on intermediary metabolism of carbo, proteins, fats. Permissive action for glucagon, catecholamines – calorogenic, lipolytic, pressor, bronchodilator, vascular reactivity. CNS vs irritability, apprehension, inability to concentrate. Renal – excretion of water by increased GFR. Anti-inflammatory vs cytokines. Resistance to 'stress' – noxious stimuli increasing ACTH.  Cortisol liver, conjugated to glucuronic acid; inactivation depressed by liver disease
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TOPIC: Adrenal medullary hormones NUMBER: 4

OPENING QUESTION	PROMPTS	CO
What hormones are secreted by the adrenal medulla?		
POINTS REQUIRED		
Adrenalin, noradrenalin and dopamine. <i>Must have all 3</i>		
SECOND QUESTION (if needed)		
What are the major effects of these hormones?		
POINTS REQUIRED		
1. $\alpha$ and $\beta$ effects 2. increase HR and force contraction, vasoconstriction, hypertension, alertness, metabolic rate, glycogenolysis  <b>Must describe at least 5 effects</b>		

2.4 Glucocorticoids Ganong pp 372-380	What are the physiological effects of glucocorticoids?  How is glucocorticoid secretion regulated?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Metabolic; increased protein catabolism, increased hepatic glycogenesis and gluconeogenesis (raised plasma glucose). Raise peripheral tissue insulin resistance</li> <li>Permissive effects on other reactions</li> <li>Are required for catecholamines to produce calorogenic and lipolytic effects, pressor responses (vascular reactivity) and vasodilatation</li> <li>Inhibit ACTH secretion (feedback)</li> <li>Impair water excretion (mechanism unclear)</li> <li>Reduce circulating basophils and eosinophils and increase other elements</li> <li>Required for stress response</li> <li>Affect EEG waveforms (mild personality changes in insufficiency)</li> </ul> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Basal secretion and stress response both dependent on ACTH</li> <li>(Other substances may stimulate adrenal directly but no evidence of role in physiologic regulation)</li> <li>Free glucocorticoids produce negative feedback on ACTH secretion at both hypothalamic and pituitary levels. Effect mediated by action on DNA</li> <li>Stress response ACTH secretion mediated almost exclusively via hypothalamic release of corticotrophin releasing hormone</li> <li>Circadian rhythm. ACTH released in irregular bursts throughout day but much more common in early morning. 75% of cortisol secreted at this time</li> </ul>
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4. What are the physiologic effects of the glucocorticoids?	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Intermediary metabolism of carbohydrate, protein, fat*</li> <li>2. Inhibit ACTH secretion*</li> <li>3. Maintain reactivity of vascular (and bronchial) smooth muscle to catecholamines*</li> <li>4. Allow excretion of a water load (mechanism unclear)</li> <li>5. Blood - ↑ RCC, ↑ WCC (mainly PMNs), but ↓ Lymphocytes and Lymph node size</li> <li>6. CNS – irritability, apprehension, inability to concentrate (eg in exams)</li> <li>7. “stress response”</li> </ol> <p>(Up to 3 specific prompts, eg “what are the vascular effects of glucocorticoids?”)</p>
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## Pituitary

Pituitary hormones	<p>What hormones are produced by the pituitary?</p> <p>What are the physiologic effects of vasopressin?</p>	<p>Knowledge of anterior and posterior pituitary with 4 of 6 of the anterior pituitary (TSH, ACTH, GH, FSH, LH, prolactin) and one of vasopressin or oxytocin.</p> <p>Renal retention of water in excess of solute reducing body fluid osmolality or concept.</p>
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## Thyroid

Thyroid hormones	<p>What are the effects of thyroid hormones?</p> <p>How are thyroid hormones synthesised?</p> <p>What is the mechanism of action of thyroid hormones?</p>	<p>At least two organ systems and one effect on each</p> <p>Active iodide transport; binding to thyroglobulin; MIT and DIT join to form T3 and T4.</p> <p>Enter cells; binds to specific receptors; hormone-receptor complex binds DNA &amp; effects gene expression.</p>
<p><b>Question 4:</b> Thyroid hormone synthesis and effects.  Ganong pp 319, 323-6</p>	<p>i) Describe the steps in synthesis of thyroid hormones.  <u>Prompt:</u> What are thyroid hormones made from?</p> <div style="text-align: center;"> <p>The diagram illustrates the synthesis of thyroid hormones. On the left, a thyroglobulin molecule is shown with several tyrosine residues attached. An arrow labeled 'Thyroid peroxidase' points to the right, where the tyrosine residues have been converted into diiodotyrosine (DIT) residues, each with two iodine atoms (green dots) attached to the benzene ring.</p> </div> <p>ii) What are the physiological effects of T4?  <u>Prompt:</u> How do thyroid hormones alter metabolism?</p>	<p>i) Thyroid epithelial cells secrete <b>thyroglobulin</b> (comprising 134 tyrosines) and iodine into colloid. Iodide transport is via a symport with sodium (NIS). Thyroid peroxidase makes iodotyrosines (MIT and DIT) then combines them to <b>make T3 and T4</b>. Some reverse T3 (inactive) also made. Endocytosis and lysis of colloid releases free hormone. All steps TSH controlled. T3 also made peripherally by deiodination of T4.</p> <p>ii) Binds to intracellular thyroid receptors in the nuclei. Complex binds to DNA and alters gene expression. T3 more rapid and potent. Incr <b>metabolism and catabolism</b> of most cells (brain and others excluded). Lipid and carb mobilisation and usage. Inc <b>CVS and CNS activity</b>. Normal reproductive cycle and growth. Effects incr by catecholamines.</p>

TOPIC: Effects of thyroid hormones \_\_\_\_\_ NUMBER: \_\_\_\_\_

OPENING QUESTION	PROMPTS	COMMENTS
What are the effects of thyroid hormones on different body tissues?		
1 Heart: chronotropic, inotropic (increased beta receptors, enhanced response to catecholamines)	What are the effects of thyroid hormone on the heart?	Need 2 of first 4 to pass plus 2 others.
2 Adipose tissue: catabolic (lipolysis)		
3 Musculoskeletal: catabolic (increased protein breakdown), developmental (promote growth and development)		
4 Most (except adult brain, uterus, testes, spleen): calorogenic (increased O <sub>2</sub> consumption of metabolically active tissues)		
5 CNS: developmental (promotes brain development)		
6 GIT: metabolic (increased carbohydrate absorption)		
7 Lipoprotein: metabolic (increased LDL receptors)		

QUESTIONS	ANSWERS
1.4 Thyroid hormones Genong pp 319-328	<p>What are the effects of thyroid hormones?</p> <p>(4 out of 7)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Widespread actions</li> <li>• Metabolically active tissues</li> <li>• Heart - increased rate</li> <li>• Brain - development reticular Act. Sys.</li> <li>• Gut - increased carbohydrate absorption.</li> <li>• Muskuloskeletal growth</li> <li>• Adipose - lipolysis</li> </ul> <p>What is the mechanism of action?</p> <p>(4 out of 8)</p> <p>Intracellular---</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• At the nuclear level</li> <li>• O<sub>2</sub> consumption regulator.</li> <li>• T<sub>3</sub> binds better than T<sub>4</sub> to receptor</li> <li>• Hormone/receptor binds to DNA</li> <li>• Affects gene expression</li> <li>• Two genesites</li> <li>• Alpha Chromosome 17</li> <li>• Beta Chromosome 3</li> </ul>

<p>What are the effects of thyroid hormones on nervous and vascular systems</p> <p>What other physiological effects does thyroid hormone have on the body?</p>	<p>CNS- 1)Development CNS -cerebral cortex, basa ganglia cochlea 2)↑ activity, mentation speed/ agitation (catechol / dop+ direct brain effects) 3) ↑ reflexes</p> <p>CVS- 1)vasodil (2ary heat)- 2) &gt; circ vol/ HR/ CO - 3)Ht-&gt; myosin heavy chain (+ isoforms)/ faster twitch genes (+ Ca ++, Na K ATPase etc) + down reg others, &gt; contraction/ HR/ speed of contraction - 4) &gt; sens to Catechols (synergistic effects + up regulated β receptors and effector systems) HR, contract more</p> <p>Lipolysis - adipose tissue</p> <p>Formation of LDL receptors on lipoprotein</p> <p>Protein breakdown in muscle</p> <p>Skeletal development promoted</p> <p>Increased carbohydrate absorption from the gut</p> <p>Stimulates O<sub>2</sub> consumption by metabolically active tissues</p> <p>Increased BSL/ insulin resistance</p>	<p>Impt issues highlighted 3/6 for a pass.</p> <p>Pass: 3-4 overall at least 1 in each</p> <p>Prompt- what features of thyrotoxicosis</p> <p>2 required</p>
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