University of Jordan Faculty of Medicine

Department of Physiology and Biochemistry Syllabus: Introduction to Physiology (0501110)

FOR MEDICAL STUDENTS

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Subjects	Lect. No.	Pages I Guyton	Date
Introduction to Physiology: General outline of physiology.	1	3-9	
Homeostasis , control systems, negative & positive feedback			
mechanism			
Cell Membrane	2	11-14	
Transport-I (Passive)	3	45-56	
A. Simple Diffusion			
B. Facilitated Diffusion			
C. Osmosis			
Units: moles, osmoles and equivalent. Osmosis and osmotic	4		
pressure			
Transport-II (Active)	5-6	45-56	
A. Primary Active.			
B. Secondary Active: Co-and Counter-Transport			
C. Vesicular transport			
Excitable Membranes:	7		
Resting Membrane Potential: Origin And Determinants.			
Distribution Of Different Ions Across Cell Membranes			
Electrochemical Equilibrium (Nernst Equation) As a	8-9		
Predictor For RMP			
$-E_{Na+}, E_{K+}, E_{Ca++}, E_{Cl-}$			
-Other Equations Which Predict RMP: Goldman-Hodgkin-			
Katz Equation And Chord Conductance Equation			
Autonomic Nervous System (I) Organization: Sympathetic	10		
and Parasympathetic			
Autonomic Nervous System (II)	11		
Abnormalities of body fluid volume regulation Hypo-	12		
osmotic dehydration & overhydration. Hyper-osmotic			
dehydration & overhydration. Edema (definition, types,			
difference between IC & EC edema).			
Body Water: Distribution & Measurements	13		
All or none versus graded potential	14		
Excitatory Post Synaptic Potential EPSP And Inhibitory Post	15		
Synaptic Potential IPS			

Basic neuronal circuits: Synapses: types, transmission of AP,	16-17	
neurotransmitters, facilitation, inhibition, summation,		
electrical events, processing, fatigueetc.		
Excitatory and Inhibitory postsynaptic potential		
- Neurotransmitters, types, synthesis, location	18	
(pre-and postgangelionic)		
- Receptors: types and location.		
- Adrenal medulla.		
Neurons: Types and classifications	19	
Receptors: types and adaptation	20-21	
- Membrane or intracellular		
- Ion channels		
- G-protein		
- Enzyme linked		
- Intracellular		
- Second messengers		
- cAMP and cGMP, Phospholipid		
- Calcium calmodulin and IRS		
Signal Transduction (Regulation of cellular machinery)	22-23	
Extracellular regulators: nervous, endocrine, paracrine and		
autocrine		
Steroids: Their Signal Transduction And Mechanism Of	24	
Action		
Microcirculation: Capillary Structure; Fluid Filtration	25-26	
(Forces) & Reabsorption		
- Starling Law Of Capillary Exchange		
- Lymphatic System		
Action Potential: Cardiac Action Potential (Fast Response	27-28	
AP) Vs Slow Response AP (The Pacemaker Concept)		
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Midterm Exam 40%

Final Exam 60%

Textbook: Guyton and Hall Textbook of Medical Physiology: 12th edition 2011

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