## **AP Biology**

## **REVIEW UNIT 9: ANIMAL FORM & FUNCTION — "TOP TEN"**

## A. Top "10" — If you learned anything from this unit, you should have learned:

- 1. Regulation
  - a. Homeostasis is maintained through hormones & nervous system control
    - hormone releasing gland, target cells, cell membrane receptors, secondary messengers, cellular response (produce enzyme or turn gene on)
- 2. Digestive system
  - a. function:
    - enzymatic breakdown of food, absorption, elimination
    - supports cellular respiration (fuel) & biosynthesis (raw materials)
  - b. structure:
    - mouth, esophagus, stomach, pancreas, liver, gall bladder, small intestines, large intestines
  - c. adaptations / evolutionary trends:
    - villi & microvilli = increase surface area for absorption
    - zymogens = protection from self-digestion
    - tooth structure, length of digestive system, number & size of stomachs
    - symbiotic bacteria (*E. coli*) in intestines to breakdown cellulose
  - d. regulation:
    - insulin / glucagon control of blood sugar
    - gastrin, GIP, CCK, secretin
- 3. Respiratory System
  - a. function
    - exchange of O<sub>2</sub> & CO<sub>2</sub>
    - supports cellular respiration
  - b. structure:
    - trachea, bronchi, lungs, diaphragm, gills, hemoglobin
  - c. adaptations / evolutionary trends:
    - alveoli & gills = need moist membranes & increase surface area gas exchange
    - counter current gas exchange in gills
  - d. regulation:
    - chemoreceptors in medulla monitor pH of cerebrospinal fluid
    - chemoreceptors in aorta & carotid arteries monitor CO<sub>2</sub> & O<sub>2</sub> levels in blood

- 4. Circulatory System
  - a. function:
    - transport of O<sub>2</sub>, CO<sub>2</sub>, nutrients, cellular wastes, regulatory molecules, immune cells
    - supports cellular respiration & immune response
  - b. structure:
    - heart, atria, ventricles, valves, arteries, veins, capillaries, RBC, hemoglobin
  - c. adaptations / evolutionary trends:
    - open vs. closed system
    - 2 → 3 → 4 chambers of heart = supports high metabolic output, endothermy (heat production), flight, increased body size
    - 4-chambered heart = double circulation (pulmonary & systemic)
    - countercurrent heat exchange
    - structure of arteries vs. veins (thickness of wall, elasticity, valves in veins)
  - d. regulation:
    - "pacemaker" (SA node)
    - baroreceptors in aorta & carotid arteries monitor blood pressure
- 5. Excretory system
  - a. function:
    - water balance, filtration of blood, excretion of cellular nitrogenous waste (protein digestion)
  - b. structure:
    - kidney, glomerulus, nephron, Bowman's capsule, Loop of Henle, collecting duct
  - c. adaptations / evolutionary trends:
    - based on osmosis, diffusion & active transport
    - reclaim water & solutes as needed, excrete urea
    - ammonia vs. urea vs, uric acid = type of waste product vs. habitat & type of organism
  - d. regulation:
    - ADH = reduces blood osmolarity (high solutes); osmoreceptors in hypothalamus
    - aldosterone = increases low blood pressure; monitored by JGA (near kidney)
- 6. Muscles
  - a. function: locomotion
  - b. structure:
    - muscle cells, sarcomere, actin (thin) & myosin (thick) fibers, tropomyosin regulatory protein

- c. adaptations / evolutionary trends:
  - sliding filament system of muscle contraction
  - acetylcholine trigger, ATP, release & uptake of Ca<sup>+2</sup> from sarcoplasmic reticulum
- d. regulation: mostly voluntary; acetylcholinesterase
- 7. Immune
  - a. function: protects body from attack by pathogens
  - b. structure:
    - lymph system, leukocytes, lymphocytes, macrophages, B cells, antibodies, T cells
  - c. adaptations / evolutionary trends:
    - innate, non-specific immunity = barrier defense, leukocytes, macrophages
    - acquired immunity = lymphocytes, antibodies, memory B & T cells
    - MHC proteins = antigen production
  - d. regulation:
    - histamines, prostaglandins, interleukins
  - e. miscellaneous:
    - vaccinations trigger immune response
    - HIV outwits immune system
- 8. Nervous System
  - a. function: sensory input, motor function, regulation
  - b. structure: neuron, axon, dendrites, synapse
  - c. adaptations / evolutionary trends:
    - voltage gated channels & ion-gated channels
    - Na & K channels, Na/K pump, neurotransmitters
  - d. regulation:
- 9. Reproduction
  - a. function: produce & deliver gametes, nurture fetus
  - b. structure:
    - testicles, penis, glands, sperm, ovaries, eggs, Fallopian tubes, uterus
  - c. adaptations / evolutionary trends:
    - aquatic egg vs. amniotic egg
    - external vs. internal fertilization; external vs. internal development (placenta)
    - sperm production vs. egg production (polar bodies)
  - d. regulation: FSH & LH, testosterone, estrogen, progesterone, female monthly cycle

- 10. Development
  - a. function:
    - going from one-celled zygote to a multi-celled organism with differentiated tissues & organs
  - b. adaptations / evolutionary trends:
    - cleavage, gastrulation, neurulation, organogenesis
    - 3 tissues layers: body plan
      - ectoderm: skin, teeth, nails, nerves
      - mesoderm: bone, blood, muscle
      - endoderm: digestive system
    - differentiation: turning off some genes turning on others

## B. Labs

1. Physiology of Circulatory System

Be sure to review the procedures and the conclusions, and understand:

- a. Factors that affect heart rate
- b. How to set up a similar experiment
- c. Controls vs. Experimental