

## Written Q

1. Compare () chemical and electrical synapse ?
2. Compare () EPSP and IPSP ?
3. Def and mechanism of presynaptic inhibition ?
4. Effect and mechanism of repeated stimulation of synapse ?
5. Compare () post tetanic facilitation and long term facilitation ?
6. 3 causes of synaptic delay ?
7. Enumerate properties of synaptic transmission ?

## Formative and Exams MCQ

<p>1. Synaptic transmission can be inhibited by:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>a) hypercalcemia.</li><li>b) Alkalosis.</li><li>c) Acidosis.</li><li>d) Thyroid hormones.</li><li>e) Caffeine.</li></ul>	<b>C</b>
<p>2. The most common site for the electrical synapses in C.N.S:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>a) Inner ear "cochlea"</li><li>b) Cerebral cortex.</li><li>c) Reticular activating system.</li><li>d) Hippocampus.</li><li>e) Raphi magnus nucli</li></ul>	<b>D</b>
<p>3. Prolonged changes in neuronal activity are usually achieved through the activation of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>a) Voltage-gated chloride channels.</li><li>b) Transmitter-gated sodium channels.</li></ul>	<b>C</b>

<p>c) <i>G-protein-coupled channels.</i></p> <p>d) <i>Voltage-gated potassium channels.</i></p> <p>e) <i>Voltage gated Ca channels</i></p>	
<p><b>4. <i>Post-tetanic facilitation is Thought to be the result of:</i></b></p> <p>a) <i>opening voltage-gated sodium channels.</i></p> <p>b) <i>A buildup of calcium in the presynaptic terminal</i></p> <p>c) <i>electrotonic conduction</i></p>	<b>B</b>
<p><b>5. <i>The EPSP recorded from a cell body in the CNS:</i></b></p> <p>a) <i>Is an all or none response.</i></p> <p>b) <i>Always follows the development of an axon spike.</i></p> <p>c) <i>Always initiates an action potential.</i></p> <p>d) <i>Lasts for only the duration of the presynaptic potential.</i></p> <p>e) <i>Can be temporally summated.</i></p>	<b>E</b>

## Other MCQ

<p><b>1. Which of the following is correct:</b></p> <p>a) Synaptic fatigue means presynaptic neuron fails to discharge.</p> <p>b) Synaptic fatigue is mainly due to depletion of neurotransmitter in postsynaptic knobs.</p> <p>c) Synaptic fatigue is mainly due to depletion of neurotransmitter in presynaptic knobs.</p> <p>d) Secondary hyperalgesia is due to hypersensitivity of pain receptors.</p> <p>e) In pathway of crude touch, 3rd order neurons terminate in motor cortex.</p>	<p><b>C</b></p>
<p><b>2. The release of neurotransmitter at a chemical synapse in the central nervous system is dependent upon which of the following?</b></p> <p>a) Synthesis of acetyl cholinestrerase.</p> <p>b) Hyperpolarization of the synaptic terminal.</p> <p>c) Opening of ligand-gated ion calcium channels.</p> <p>d) Influx of calcium into the presynaptic terminal.</p>	<p><b>D</b></p>
<p><b>3. Hypoventilation has which of the following effects on neuronal activity?</b></p> <p>a) Depresses neuronal activity.</p> <p>b) Increases neuronal activity.</p> <p>c) Increases synaptic delay.</p> <p>d) Increase transmitter release. E) Increase no. of post-synaptic receptor</p>	<p><b>A</b></p>
<p><b>4. The excitatory or inhibitory action of neurotransmitter is determined by which of the following?</b></p> <p>a) Function of its postsynaptic receptor.</p> <p>b) Molecular composition.</p> <p>c) Shape of the synaptic vesicle in which it is contained.</p> <p>d) Distance between the pre- and the post-synaptic membranes.</p> <p>e) Number of receptors on the post-synaptic membrane.</p>	<p><b>A</b></p>

<p><b>5. Which of the following represents an activity performed by the activated second messenger?</b></p> <p>a) Closure of a membrane channel for sodium or potassium.</p> <p>b) Activation of cyclic amp or cyclic gmp.</p> <p>c) Inactivation of enzymes that initiate biochemical reactions in the postsynaptic neuron.</p> <p>d) Inactivation of gene transcription in the postsynaptic neuron.</p> <p>e) Inactivation of <math>Ca^{++}</math> channels.</p>	<b>B</b>
<p><b>6. Temporal summation:</b></p> <p>a) Occurs when several presynaptic fibers are stimulated simultaneously.</p> <p>b) Occurs when presynaptic fiber is repeatedly stimulated.</p> <p>c) Is due to overlap of the discharging zone.</p> <p>d) Is due to overlap of the subliminal zone.</p> <p>e) None of the above is correct.</p>	<b>B</b>
<p><b>7. Synaptic transmission:</b></p> <p>a) Is inhibited by hypercalcemia.</p> <p>b) Is stimulated by alkalosis.</p> <p>c) Does not show fatigue.</p> <p>d) Is stimulated by acidosis.</p> <p>e) Shows delay about 15 m.sec.</p>	<b>B</b>
<p><b>8. When an excitatory neurotransmitter is released it may lead to:</b></p> <p>a) Potassium entry.</p> <p>b) Calcium entry.</p> <p>c) Hyperpolarization.</p> <p>d) Chloride entry.</p> <p>e) EPSP.</p>	<b>E</b>

<p><b>9. Synaptic transmission may involve:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) Release of neurotransmitter from post synaptic neuron.</li> <li>b) Entry of <math>Ca^{++}</math> to postsynaptic neuron.</li> <li>c) Occurrence of EPSP in presynaptic neuron.</li> <li>d) Outflow of K from presynaptic neuron.</li> <li>e) <math>Na^+</math> entry to postsynaptic.</li> </ul>	<b>E</b>
<p><b>10. Fatigue in synapses may be related to which of the following:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) Adaptation of the presynaptic nerve fiber.</li> <li>b) Progressive decrease in <math>Ca^{++}</math> available for neurotransmitter release.</li> <li>c) Progressive inactivation of many of post synaptic receptors.</li> <li>d) Development of abnormal high concentration of <math>K^+</math> ions inside the post synaptic neuron.</li> <li>e) Development of high concentration of <math>Cl^-</math> inside the post synaptic neu</li> </ul>	<b>C</b>
<p><b>11. Post-tetanic facilitation is thought to be the result of:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) Opening voltage-gated sodium channels.</li> <li>b) Opening transmitter gated potassium channels.</li> <li>c) A buildup of calcium in the presynaptic terminal.</li> <li>d) Electrotonic conduction.</li> <li>e) A build up of calcium in the part synaptic hormone.</li> </ul>	<b>C</b>
<p><b>12. Which of the following is characteristic of the events occurring at an excitatory synapse?</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) There is a massive efflux of calcium from the presynaptic terminal</li> <li>b) Synaptic vesicles bind to the postsynaptic membrane</li> <li>c) Voltage-gated potassium channels are closed</li> <li>d) Ligand-gated channels are opened to allow sodium entry into the post synaptic neuron</li> </ul>	<b>D</b>

<p><b>13. Which of the following electrical events is characteristic of inhibitory synaptic interactions?</b></p> <p>a) A neurotransmitter agent that selectively opens ligand-gated chloride channels is the basis for an inhibitory postsynaptic potential</p> <p>b) Because the Nernst potential for chloride is about <math>-70</math> mV, chloride ions tend to move out of the cell along its electrochemical gradient</p> <p>c) A neurotransmitter that selectively opens potassium channels will allow potassium to move into the cell</p> <p>d) An increase in the extracellular sodium concentration usually leads directly to an inhibitory postsynaptic potential</p>	<b>A</b>
<p><b>14. Forced rapid breathing results in alkalization of the blood which would lead to which of the following changes in neuronal activity?</b></p> <p>A) Decrease in neuronal activity</p> <p>B) Increase in neuronal activity</p> <p>C) Initial decrease followed by an increase</p> <p>D) No change in neuronal activity</p>	<b>B</b>
<p><b>15. Temporal summation of EPSP results from:</b></p> <p>a) simultaneous stimulation of multiple knobs.</p> <p>b) repetitive stimulation of a single knob.</p> <p>c) convergence.</p> <p>d) divergence.</p> <p>e) lateral inhibition.</p>	<b>B</b>
<p><b>16. Connexons of gap junctions in electric synapses:</b></p> <p>a) are Ligand gated</p> <p>b) are voltage gated</p> <p>c) allow transmission of potential changes in both directions between the pre and post- synaptic neurons</p> <p>d) close whenever the presynaptic neuron becomes hyperpolarized</p>	<b>C</b>

<p><b>17. Chemical synapses in the nervous system:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) allow diffusion of chemical substances from the presynaptic neuron into the postsynaptic neuron</li> <li>b) allow transmission of potential changes in one direction on from the presynaptic to the postsynaptic neurons</li> <li>c) have potential-gated ionic channels</li> <li>d) more numerous in peripheral nervous system than central nervous system</li> </ul>	<b>B</b>
<p><b>18. Synaptic cleft:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) is the space between two synapses on the surface of neurons</li> <li>b) allow diffusion of transmitters between neurons</li> <li>c) is filled with intracellular fluid</li> <li>d) ranges between 20-30 mm in Width</li> </ul>	<b>B</b>
<p><b>19. Synaptic transmission depends upon:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) direct transmission of impulse from pre-synaptic to post- synaptic neuron</li> <li>b) diffusion of neurotransmitters from synaptic knobs into the soma and dendrites of postsynaptic neurons</li> <li>c) presence of voltage-gated Ca channels in membrane of synaptic knobs</li> <li>d) presence of voltage-gated Ca channels in the subsynaptic membrane</li> </ul>	<b>C</b>
<p><b>20. Postsynaptic receptors include all following types, except:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) G-protein coupled receptors</li> <li>b) ligand-gated cation channels</li> <li>c) G-protein regulated K channels</li> <li>d) voltage-gated Cl channels</li> </ul>	<b>D</b>
<p><b>21. Opening of ligand-gated Cl channels causes:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) inhibition of the postsynaptic neuron</li> <li>b) depolarization of the postsynaptic neuron</li> <li>c) initiation of an action potential</li> <li>d) block of ligand-gated cation channels</li> </ul>	<b>A</b>

<p><b>22. IPSP differs from EPSP in:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) being of shorter duration</li> <li>b) being unable to summate spatially</li> <li>c) moving the membrane potential away from threshold</li> <li>d) depending upon opening of voltage K channels</li> </ul>	<b>C</b>
<p><b>23. IPSP could result from:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) opening of K channels</li> <li>b) opening of ligand-gated cation channels</li> <li>c) closure of Cl channels</li> <li>d) closure of potential-gated Ca channel</li> </ul>	<b>A</b>
<p><b>24. Synaptic transmission is terminated by:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) block of postsynaptic receptors</li> <li>b) elevation of Ca concentration in synaptic cleft</li> <li>c) reuptake of neurotransmitters by postsynaptic neurons</li> <li>d) degradation of neurotransmitters by specific enzymes</li> </ul>	<b>D</b>
<p><b>25. In Chemical synapses, transmission occurs in a forward direction because:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) neurotransmitter receptors are found only in the postsynaptic membrane</li> <li>b) the subsynaptic membrane does not contain neurotransmitter vesicles</li> <li>c) the subsynaptic membrane is more sensitive than the membrane synaptic knob to the effect of neurotransmitters</li> <li>d) the subsynaptic membrane contains both ligand-gated and voltage gated ionic channels</li> </ul>	<b>B</b>
<p><b>26. Synaptic delay:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) is the time needed for release of neurotransmitter from synaptic vesicles</li> <li>b) the minimal delay time in the central nervous system is about 0.5 millisecond</li> <li>c) is determined by the type of the neurotransmitter</li> <li>d) is determined by the number of postsynaptic receptors</li> </ul>	<b>B</b>

<p><b>27. Synaptic fatigue is due to:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) decreased synthesis of neurotransmitters</li> <li>b) inability to release neurotransmitters by exocytosis</li> <li>c) failure of action potentials to open voltage-gated Ca channels in presynaptic terminal</li> <li>d) imbalance in between rates of synthesis and release of neurotransmitters</li> </ul>	<b>D</b>
<p><b>28. Synaptic transmission is inhibited by all the following. except:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) oxygen lack</li> <li>b) alkalosis</li> <li>c) acidosis</li> <li>d) prolonged activity of synapse</li> </ul>	<b>B</b>
<p><b>29. Post-tetanic Potentiation in synapses:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) is due to increased Ca concentration in postsynaptic neurons</li> <li>b) is due to increased Ca influx into presynaptic neurons</li> <li>c) results from slow prolonged stimulation of synapse</li> <li>d) causes fatigue of the synapse</li> </ul>	<b>B</b>
<p><b>30. Long-term potentiation of synaptic transmission:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) is involved in pain control system</li> <li>b) results from fast prolonged stimulation of synapses</li> <li>c) results from fast repetitive stimulation of synapse</li> <li>d) is associated with decreased Ca concentration if postaynaptic neurons</li> </ul>	<b>C</b>
<p><b>31. Drugs which open Cl channels in synapses:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) cause depolarization of postsynaptic membrane</li> <li>b) cause hyperpolarization of postsynaptic membrane</li> <li>c) enhance release of neurotransmitters from synaptic knobs</li> <li>d) enhance response of postsynaptic neurons</li> </ul>	<b>B</b>

<p><b>32. Concerning synapses all the following is true except:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) <i>Transmission across synapses is mostly chemical</i></li> <li>b) <i>In some synapses, transmission is electrical.</i></li> <li>c) <i>At a few conjoint synapses, transmission is both chemical &amp; electrical</i></li> <li>d) <i>Electrical synapses are resistant to drugs but chemical are not</i></li> <li>e) <i>The delay of transmission at chemical synapses is about 3 milliseconds</i></li> </ul>	<b>E</b>
<p><b>33. The excitatory postsynaptic potential (EPSP):</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) <i>Produced as a result of release of GABA</i></li> <li>b) <i>A state of partial depolarization</i></li> <li>c) <i>Due to increased permeability to Cl in the postsynaptic membrane</i></li> <li>d) <i>Unable to undergo summation</i></li> </ul>	<b>B</b>
<p><b>34. The inhibitory postsynaptic potential (IPSP) is:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) <i>Produced as a result of release of acetylcholine.</i></li> <li>b) <i>Involved in the gate theory of pain control</i></li> <li>c) <i>A state of hyperpolarization</i></li> <li>d) <i>Due to increased Na permeability in the postsynaptic membrane</i></li> </ul>	<b>C</b>
<p><b>35. The synaptic transmission is accelerated by:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) <i>Acidosis</i></li> <li>b) <i>Caffeine</i></li> <li>c) <i>O<sub>2</sub> lack</i></li> <li>d) <i>Anesthetics</i></li> <li>e) <i>Tranquilizers</i></li> </ul>	<b>B</b>
<p><b>36. The ion responsible for the IPSP is:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) <i>Na moving into the cell body.</i></li> <li>b) <i>Cl moving into the cell body.</i></li> <li>c) <i>K moving into the cell body.</i></li> <li>d) <i>k moving out of the cell body</i></li> <li>e) <i>Both (B) and (D)</i></li> </ul>	<b>E</b>

<p><b>37. Temporal summation:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) Occurs when a single presynaptic neuron is repetitively stimulated</li> <li>b) Occurs when many presynaptic neurons are simultaneously stimulated</li> <li>c) Is more important in C.N.S than spatial summation</li> <li>d) None of the above</li> </ul>	<b>A</b>
<p><b>38. An excitatory post-synaptic potential:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) Is the depolarization of a post-synaptic nerve cell membrane that occurs when a presynaptic neuron is stimulated.</li> <li>b) Involves reversal of polarity across the post-synaptic membrane.</li> <li>c) May be recorded from a posterior root ganglion cell.</li> <li>d) Is propagated at the same rate as an action potential.</li> <li>e) Is caused by electrical field induced by activity in the pre-synaptic nerve</li> </ul>	<b>A</b>