

Which statement about virulence and pathogenicity is correct?

- A) Every pathogenic virus is virulent, but not every virulent virus is pathogenic
- B) Every virulent virus is pathogenic, but not every pathogenic virus is virulent
- C) Virulence and pathogenicity are always equivalent
- D) Pathogenic viruses are never virulent

2. Latent viral infections are characterized by:

- A) Continuous active replication without symptoms
- B) Periodic reactivation from inactive viral genomes within host cells
- C) Complete virus clearance after the first infection
- D) Viral genome degradation upon entry

3. Viruses from the same genus compared to viruses from the same family:

- A) Share fewer phenotypic similarities
- B) Share more phenotypic similarities
- C) Always have identical genomes
- D) Cannot differ in replication strategy

4. Members of the Orthopoxvirus genus differ from members of another poxvirus genus in:

- A) Genome type only
- B) Replication strategy only
- C) Both genome type and replication strategy
- D) Neither genome type nor replication strategy

5. Chronic viral infections can result from:

- A) Rapid viral clearance
- B) Incomplete clearance after an acute phase
- C) Latent infection without replication
- D) Transmission via fomites

6. Transmission through contaminated surgical instruments is an example of:

- A) Direct contact transmission
- B) Indirect somite-mediated transmission
- C) Vector-borne transmission
- D) Airborne transmission

7. If viral uncaring is blocked, viral genome synthesis:

- A) Can proceed via host RNA polymerase
- B) Cannot proceed
- C) Occurs normally in DNA viruses only
- D) Is accelerated

8. Infection via fomites represents:

- A) Direct viral entry
- B) Indirect viral entry
- C) Vector-borne infection
- D) Vertical transmission

9. Groups VI and VII in the Baltimore classification differ:

- A) Only in RNA strand polarity

- B) Only in genome type
- C) In genome type and replication strategy
- D) Only in capsid structure

10. The immune response to viruses:

- A) Is always protective
- B) Can contribute to disease pathology

11. Reverse transcription can occur in viruses that have:

- A) Only RNA genomes
- B) Only DNA genomes
- C) Either RNA or DNA genomes
- D) Only single-stranded genomes

12. Evolutionary divergence decreases when moving from:

- A) Family → sub-family → genus
- B) Genus → sub-family → family
- C) Divergence is equal at all levels
- D) Cannot be measured

13. Group IV vs. Group VI viruses:

- A) Both have positive-sense RNA; only one requires DNA intermediate
- B) Both require reverse transcription
- C) Both are double-stranded RNA viruses
- D) Both are negative-sense RNA viruses

14. The suffix *-viridae* indicates:

- A) Virus family
- B) Virus genus
- C) Virus sub-family
- D) Virus strain

15. Early vs. late viral transcription:

- A) Early proteins = capsid; late = replication
- B) Early = replication; late = capsid
- C) Early = immune evasion; late = genome repair
- D) No functional difference

16. An asymptomatic viral infection implies:

- A) No viral replication and no immune response
- B) Viral replication without immune response
- C) Active replication with symptoms
- D) Viral genome integration only

17. Viral transformation of cells:

- A) Always leads to cytopathic destruction
- B) Can transform cells, distinct from cell lysis
- C) Cannot occur in DNA viruses
- D) Only occurs in latent infections

18. Early viral proteins are primarily structural, while late proteins regulate genome replication:

A) True

B) False

19. SARS-CoV-2 shares more genomic and structural features with:

A) MERS-CoV than with unrelated RNA viruses

B) All coronaviruses equally

C) Cannot be compared

D) Unrelated RNA viruses are more similar

20. Presence of a virus in the body means symptomatic disease if entry occurs:

A) Symptomatic disease is guaranteed

B) Asymptomatic infection is possible

C) Only occurs if virus replicates slowly

D) Cannot be predicted

Answer Key

1. B
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4. C
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