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CPD questionnaires must be completed online via www.cpdjournals.org.za. After submission you can check the answers and print your certificate.

1. True (A) or false (B) – click on the correct answer: *Staphlococcus aureus* infection is the commonest cause of chronic pancreatitis (CP).

2. True (A) or false (B) – click on the correct answer: Which of the following is NOT correct? The aetiology of CP includes:

- a) Alcohol
- b) Idiopathic
- c) Tropical
- d) Autoimmune
- e) Alopecia.

3. True (A) or false (B) – click on the correct answer: **In CP the entire pancreas is usually involved.**

4. True (A) or false (B) – click on the correct answer: In most cases of CP there is progressive pancreatic duct dilatation associated with strictures.

5. True (A) or false (B) – click on the correct answer: The primary clinical manifestations of CP are abdominal pain and pancreatic insufficiency.

6. True (A) or false (B) – click on the correct answer: Significant fat and protein deficiencies occur when 10% of pancreatic function is lost.

7. True (A) or false (B) – click on the correct answer: Overt diabetes mellitus (DM) typically occurs early in the course of CP.

8. True (A) or false (B) – click on the correct answer: Most patients with DM secondary to CP require insulin.

9. True (A) or false (B) – click on the correct answer: Plain films reveal pancreatic calcification in >90% of cases of CP.

10. True (A) or false (B) – click on the correct answer: Autoimmune pancreatitis is an important condition to recognise as the lesion responds well to treatment with corticosteroids. 11. True (A) or false (B) – click on the correct answer: Pancreatic fluid collections (pseudocysts) occur in 30 - 40% of patients with CP.

12. True (A) or false (B) – click on the correct answer: All pancreatic pseudocysts should be treated.

13. True (A) or false (B) – click on the correct answer: The most common cause of stillbirth in South Africa is abruptio placentae.

14. Which of the following is NOT correct? Abruptio placentae is associated with the following risk factors:

- a) Cigarette smoking
- b) Insomnia
- c) Growth restriction
- d) Hypertension.

15. True (A) or false (B) – click on the correct answer: The preconception administration of folic acid-containing multivitamins reduces the frequency of many congenital abnormalities.

16. True (A) or false (B) – click on the correct answer: Triple therapy (HAART) is superior to AZT monotherapy in preventing mother-to-child transmission of HIV.

17. True (A) or false (B) – click on the correct answer: The goal of culturing blood is to determine whether a pathogenic micro-organism(s) is responsible for the patient's clinical presentation.

18. True (A) or false (B) – click on the correct answer: Sepsis is the commonest cause of death in non-coronary intensive care units worldwide.

19. True (A) or false (B) – click on the correct answer: Because of the advent of micro-techniques the optimal method of obtaining blood for blood culture is by finger prick.

20. True (A) or false (B) – click on the correct answer: For blood culture, standard aerobic bottles are suitable for recovery of most common bacterial pathogens.

INSTRUCTIONS

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