Exam 2 Study Guide (Lecture Outlines)

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Topic 07 Water in Plants

I. Osmosis

Terms: aquaporins, semi-permeable or selectively permeable membranes, hypotonic, hypertonic, isotonic.

- A. Movement into roots.
- **B.** Cell to cell movement.

C. Apoplastic vs. symplastic movement

II. Cohesion-Tension Theory for Bulk Transport of Water

A. Water potential

B. Transpiration

Role of –

- 1. Water potential gradient
- 2. Tension
- 3. Cohesion
- 4. Adhesion
- 5. Stomata

III. Role of water in plant growth in development

A. In photosynthesis

- B. In growth (particularly cell expansion).
- **C.** The need for transpiration

Topic 08 Tropisms and Hormones

I. Tropisms

A. Gravitropism

Hormonal basis Ecological role

B. Phototropism

Hormonal basis Ecological role

C. Thigmotropism

Hormonal basis

Ecological role

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II. Turgor Movements

A. Venus flytrap (*Dionea*) and sundews (*Drosera*)

B. Sensitive plant (*Mimosa pudica*)

C. Grass leaves and bulliform cells

D. Sunflowers and "heliotropism" of "solar tracking"

III. Hormones

A. Auxins

- 1. Structure
- 2. Natural Function
- 3. Human applications

B. Cytokinins

- 1. Structure
- 2. Natural Function
- 3. Human applications

C. Gibberrellins

- 1. Structure
- 2. Natural Function
- 3. Human applications

D. Ethylene

- 1. Structure
- 2. Natural Function
- 3. Human applications

Topic 09 Photosynthesis

I. Introduction

A. Photosynthesis and respiration

B. Leaf anatomy and its function in photosynthesis

II. Light and Pigments

- A. The electromagnetic spectrum
- **B.** Action spectrum for photosynthesis (and the general concept of)

C. Absorption spectrum for a pigment

III. Details of photosynthetic reactions

A. Light-dependent reactions

B. Light-independent reactions

IV. Further Practical Considerations and the Future of Photosynthesis and People

Topic 10 Secondary Metabolites: The Caffeine Example

I. Introduction to Plant Secondary Compounds

- A. Three major classes of secondary metabolites and examples (Table 10.3)
- **B.** Cellular compartmentalization of secondary metabolites.

II. Caffeine

- A. Plant sources and synonyms of caffeine
- **B.** Structure of and Affects of Caffeine on Animals

C. Alkaloids in general

Chemical composition and structures Ecological & Biological roles

D. Caffeine content in various stimulating plants and beverages

III. The genus *Coffea* and Coffee

A. Structure and morphology of coffee plants, flowers, and fruits.

- **B.** Native origin of Coffea arabica.
- C. History of Coffea arabica cultivation and coffee production.
- **D.** Other species used for coffee
- E. World centers of coffee production and amount.

Topic 11 Origin of the Chloroplast

I. Endosymbiont Theory

A. Lynn Margulis

- 1. 1981 "Symbiosis in Cell Evolution".
- 2. Terms: Endocytosis, Phagocytosis, aerobic vs. anaerobic bacterium, cyanobacterium

B. Evidence (focus here on Chloroplast and photosynthesis)

- 1. Timing of appearance in the fossil record
 - a. Anaerobic bacteria
 - b. Photosynthetic bacteria
 - c. Aerobic bacteria
 - d. Eukaryotic cells
 - e. Mitochondria and Chloroplasts
- 2. Cell and Organellar Sizes
- 3. Replication Mode
- 4. Ultrastructure
 - a. Chloroplast envelope composition
 - b. Thylakoids
- 5. Biochemistry
 - a. Photosystems
 - b. Pigments

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c. Ribosomes

- d. ATP synthase
- e. DNA and Genetic Code

II. Some Intimate Symbiosis between photosymbionts and host cells

A. Lichens

B. Vorticella & Chlorella