

1) What is parasite?

Parasite is ~~an~~ a living organism which receives nourishment and shelter from another organism belonging to different species where it lives.
e.g. *Ascaris lumbricoides* is parasite of human being.

2) What is host?

Host is an organism which harbours the parasite.
e.g. Human being is the host of *Ascaris lumbricoides*.

3) Name at least two Anopheles species which acts as intermediate host of *Plasmodium vivax*.

Anopheles stephensi, *Anopheles philippensis*

A. culicifacies

Amoebic dysentery

4) Name the causative organism of *Entamoeba histolytica*.

Entamoeba histolytica

histolytica

is infective to man?

5) Which stage of *Entamoeba* is cystic stage.

Cystic stage

Marks :- 5
Describe the ultrastructural structure of oocyste and sporozoite

Oocyste :

- 1) It is enclosed in 2 layered envelope, consisting of an outer corrugated and inner smooth layer.
- 2) Anteriorly the inner layer appears more dense and so split, producing what looks like a mouth.
- 3) Just internal to the envelope lie the hollow peripheral fibrils, 55 to 65 in number.
- 4) There is a granular nucleus with nucleolus.
- 5) There is no micropyle.
- 6) Among cytoplasmic inclusions are crystallloid structures, mitochondria, lysosomes and irregular masses of black pigment-granules lying in vacuoles of the cytoplasm.

Fig: (from K.D. Chatterjee
Parasitology)

Sporozoite :

- 1) There is a thick double membrane, the outer corrugated and inner smooth.
- 2) At the anterior end, there is a cup-like structure lying on an apical depression.
- 3) 12 hollow peripheral fibrils are attached to the cup. These fibrils are found to be contractile or tensile in function. These have a locomotory function.

- 1) A long bulbous paired organelle, presumed to secrete a proteolytic enzyme to facilitate sporozoite's penetration of cells in both hosts.
- 2) There is no microvilli
- 3) Among cytoplasmic inclusions
- 4) The nucleus lies in a well-marked pit, microvilli, which provide a
- 5) Inside the cytoplasm are numerous mitochondria, which provide a source of energy.
- 6) The pellicle consists of 3 layers and an intermediate zone can be distinguished. The pellicle is continuous over the whole organism
- 7) The anterior end is more elaborate with concentric rings
- 8) In furan form
- 9) The peripheral fibrils in P. vivax are 11 ($10+1$)
Fig (from Dr. K.D. Chatterjee's Parasitology book)

Marks - 10.
What is conjugation? Describe the process of conjugation in Paramecium caudatum.

Ans Conjugation is a process of reproduction of Paramecium caudatum by which two individuals of different mating type come in contact and unite temporarily to form a common continuous protoplasmic bridge between them and exchange of nuclear material between them. On getting nuclear exchange two individual become separate and divide to multiply their number.