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### QUESTION 1

During an exercise study, the RER will equal the RQ only when the patient is at

- A. Steady state
- B. Peak exercise
- C. The anaerobic threshold
- D. Rest

Correct Answer: A

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### QUESTION 2

During the calibration and set-up of the metabolic stress testing system for a patient breathing supplemental oxygen, which of the following gas concentrations will ensure accurate calibration of the system?

	<u>5% CO<sub>2</sub></u>	<u>10% CO<sub>2</sub></u>	<u>15% O<sub>2</sub></u>	<u>26% O<sub>2</sub></u>
A.	yes	no	yes	yes
B.	no	yes	no	no
C.	no	yes	yes	no
D.	yes	no	no	yes

- A. Option A
- B. Option B
- C. Option C
- D. Option D

Correct Answer: D

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### QUESTION 3

An isothermal lung analog has the following specifications:

5-L glass bottle 2000 g of steel wool Density of steel wool 5 g/cm<sup>3</sup> Volume of connectors and bulb 100 ml-Repeated FRC measurements in the plethysmograph result in a volume of 5.5 L.

Which of the following should a pulmonary function technologist do?

- A. Remove 500 g of steel wool from the lung analog



- B. Take the plethysmograph out of service
- C. Recalculate the BTPS correction
- D. Begin a biologic control program

Correct Answer: D

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#### QUESTION 4

The following data are obtained after an exercise (stress) test for exercise-induced asthma:

<b>Predicted FEV<sub>1</sub></b>	<b>5.2 L</b>
<b>Baseline FEV<sub>1</sub></b>	<b>4.2 L</b>
<b>Post-exercise FEV<sub>1</sub></b>	<b>3.5 L</b>

Based on these data, the post-exercise FEV<sub>i</sub> represents a decrease of approximately

- A. 67%
- B. 20%
- C. 17%
- D. 13%

Correct Answer: D

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#### QUESTION 5

A biologic control subject has a FRC<sub>pleth</sub> of 4.0 ± 0.3 L at panting frequencies between 60 and 70/min.

During a QC run, the subject pants at 55/min and a FRC<sub>pleth</sub> of 3.90 L is recorded.

Which of the following is the most appropriate action to take?

- A. Recalibrate the mouth pressure transducer and repeat the test.
- B. Repeat the test, coaching the subject to pant more slowly.
- C. Continue using the system because it is within control limits.
- D. Take the plethysmograph out of service pending corrective maintenance.

Correct Answer: C

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