CHAPTER 40 BASIC PRINCIPLES OF ANIMAL FORM AND FUNCTION

Learning objectives:

Animal Form and Function

- 1. Distinguish between anatomy and physiology.
- 2. Explain how physical laws constrain animal form.
- 3. Use examples to illustrate how the size and shape of an animal's body affect its interactions with the environment.
- 4. Describe the challenges and benefits that come with complex animal form.
- 5. Define the terms tissue, organ, and organ system. Name the four main categories of tissues.
- 6. Distinguish among collagenous fibers, elastic fibers, and reticular fibers.
- 7. Describe the functions of macrophages and fibroblasts within connective tissue.
- 8. From micrographs or diagrams, correctly identify the following animal tissues, explain how their structure relates to their functions, and note examples of each type.
 - a. Epithelial tissue
 - b. Connective tissue
 - i. Loose connective tissue
 - ii. Cartilage
 - iii. Fibrous connective tissue
 - iv. Adipose tissue
 - v. Blood
 - vi. Bone
 - c. Muscle tissue
 - i. Skeletal muscle
 - ii. Cardiac muscle
 - iii. Smooth muscle
 - d. Nervous tissue
 - i. Neuron
 - ii. Glial cell
- 9. Compare and contrast the nervous and endocrine systems with respect to specificity of target cells and speed and duration of response.

Regulating the Internal Environment

- 10. Distinguish between regulators and conformers for a particular environmental variable. Explain how an animal may be both a regulator and a conformer.
- 11. Define homeostasis. Describe in general terms how an animal maintains homeostasis.
- 12. Distinguish between positive and negative feedback mechanisms. Which type of mechanism contributes to homeostasis?
- 13. Define thermoregulation. Explain in general terms how endotherms and ectotherms manage their heat budgets.
- 14. Name four physical processes by which animals exchange heat with their environment.

- 15. Discuss the role of hair, feathers, and adipose tissue in insulation.
- 16. Explain the role of vasoconstriction and vasodilation in modifying the transfer of body heat with the environment.
- 17. Describe how a countercurrent heat exchanger may function to retain heat within an animal body.
- 18. Describe animal adaptations to augment evaporative cooling.
- 19. Describe thermoregulatory mechanisms utilized by endothermic invertebrates.
- 20. Explain the mechanisms by which endotherms may increase their metabolic heat production.
- 21. Explain how ectotherms and endotherms may acclimatize to changing environmental temperatures.

The Bioenergetics of Animals

- 22. Define bioenergetics.
- 23. Describe the basic sources of chemical energy and their fate in animal cells.
- 24. Define biosynthesis.
- 25. Define metabolic rate and explain how it can be determined for animals.
- 26. Distinguish between basal metabolic rate (BMR) and standard metabolic rate (SMR). Identify the broad categories of animals to which each term applies.
- 27. State the equation that describes the relationship between metabolic rate and body size. Describe a hypothesis to explain this relationship.
- 28. Describe, in broad terms, how the energy budgets of small and large endotherms differ.
- 29. Describe, in broad terms, how the energy budgets of ectotherms and endotherms of similar size differ.
- 30. Define torpor, hibernation, estivation, and daily torpor.