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Biology

BIOL1 – Biology and disease
Mark scheme

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Question	Marking Guidance	Mark	Comments
1(a)	C;	1	Ignore name of organ.
1(b)	E;	1	Ignore name of organ.
1(c)	1. <u>Active site</u> (of enzyme) has (specific) shape/tertiary structure / <u>active site</u> complementary to substrate/malt<u>o</u>se; 2. (Only) malt<u>o</u>se can bind/fit; 3. To form enzyme substrate complex;	3	1. Reject active site on substrate. Must have idea of shape 1. Assume "it" = maltase 1. Accept (specific) 3D active site 1. Reject has same shape. 2. Accept "substrate" for "malt<u>o</u>se" 3. Accept E-S complex

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2(a)	<table><tr><td>Protein synthesis</td><td>**L**;</td></tr><tr><td>Modifies protein</td><td>**H**;</td></tr><tr><td>Aerobic respiration</td><td>**N**;</td></tr></table>	3	
2(b)	1800–2200;; 1 mark for an incorrect answer in which student clearly divides measured length by actual length (of scale);	2	1.8, 2.0 or 2.2 in working or answer = 1 mark. Ignore units in answer. Accept I/A or I/O for 1 mark but ignore triangle. Accept approx 60mm divided by 30μm for 1 mark

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3(a)	1. (Releases) toxins; 2. Kills cells/tissues;	2	2. Accept any reference to cell/tissue damage. Ignore infecting/invading cells
3(b)	1. Water potential in (bacterial) cells high<u>er</u> (than in honey) / water potential in honey low<u>er</u> (than in bacterial cells); 2. Water leaves bacteria/cells by <u>osmosis</u>; 3. (Loss of water) stops (metabolic) reactions;	3	Q candidates must express themselves clearly 1. Must be comparative Eg high WP in cell and low WP in honey 3. Needs a reason why lack of water kills the cell

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4(a)	Accept **three** suitable suggestions: 1. (Lactase/beads) can be reused/not washed away; 2. No need to remove from milk; 3. Allows continuous process; 4. The enzyme is more stable; 5. Avoid end-product inhibition;	3 max	1. Accept lactase/beads not wasted. 1. Less lactase used is insufficient 2. Accept lactase not present in milk. Ignore ref to SA
4(b)	1. (Lactose hydrolysed to) galactose and glucose; 2. (So) more sugar molecules; 3. (So) more/different receptors stimulated / sugars produced are sweeter (than lactose);	2 max	2. Idea of **more** sugars essential

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5(a)	Any **two** from: 1. (Decrease linked to) few(er) cases of whooping cough; 2. (Decrease linked to) risk of/fear of side effects; 3. Insufficient vaccine available / too expensive to produce/distribute;	2 max	3. Too expensive unqualified is insufficient for mark
5(b)	1. Vaccination rate increases; 2. Fewer people to spread the disease/ whooping cough / more people immune / fewer susceptible;	2	2. Neutral - greater herd effect. 2. Allow description of immune **Q** Reject 'resistant'.
5(c)	1. More people are immune / fewer people carry the pathogen; 2. So susceptible/unvaccinated people less likely to contact infected people;	2	If neither point 1 or 2 awarded Herd immunity = 1 mark. Unvaccinated does not mean infected 1. **Q** Do not accept disease for pathogen

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6(a)	Lining inflamed/swollen /muscle (around the airways) contracts/ more mucus produced;	1	Accept reference to histamine. Inflammation alone insufficient for mark
6(b)	1. Fewer children/less likely that children with asthma eat fish; 2. Fewer children/less likely that children with asthma eat oily fish; 3. Little/only 2%/no difference in (children with or without asthma who eat) non-oily fish;	3	Accept converse. MP1 and 2 - Allow use of numbers. Do not accept arguments related to amount of fish eaten
6(c)	1. (Shake with) ethanol/alcohol; 2. Then add (to) water; 3. White/milky/cloudy (layer indicates oil);	3	1. Accept named alcohol 2. Order must be correct 3. Ignore forms emulsion as in stem 3. Ignore precipitate

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7(a)	53–70 / 70-53 / 17 (beats per minute);	1	
7(b)	13.6/13.58/14;;	2	If answer is incorrect, 1 mark for the principle of difference (11) divided by initial heart rate (81). $\underline{70\text{-}81}$ or $\underline{81\text{-}70}$ for 1 mark 81 81 Ignore + or - signs
7(c)	1. Allows comparison; 2. (Initial/resting) heart rates different (between males and females);	2	
7(d)	1. Cardiac output = stroke volume × heart rate; 2. (So) stroke volume increases / increased size or volume of ventricles;	2 max	1. Accept CO = SV x HR 2. Neutral: more blood leaves heart. 2. If the term stroke volume is not used, it must be defined.

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8(a)	Regulator protein;	1	Accept regulator protein antigen. Reject regulator protein receptor. Ignore regular protein
8(b)	1. Lipid soluble / hydrophobic; 2. Enters through (phospholipid) bilayer; **OR** 3. (Protein part of) LDL attaches to <u>receptor</u>; 4. Goes through carrier/channel protein;	2	4. Accept by facilitated diffusion or active transport. 4. Reject active transport through channel protein
8(c)	Any **two** from: 1. (Monoclonal antibody) has a specific tertiary structure/variable region / is complementary to regulator protein; 2. Binds to / forms complex with (regulator protein); 3. (So regulator protein) would not fit/bind to the receptor / is not complementary to receptor;	2 max	Do not award MP1 if reference to active site. "It" refers to monoclonal antibody in MP1 and MP2 3. Reject receptor on LDL
8(d)	1. Less LDL in blood / more LDL taken up (by liver cells); 2. So less atheroma/less chance of blood clot in <u>coronary</u> artery; 3. (So) less chance of reduced/no blood flow/oxygen to heart muscle/cells/tissues;	3	
8(e)	1. Injection with salt solution; 2. Otherwise treated the same;	2	1. Accept inject placebo in salt solution

Question	Marking Guidance	Mark	Comments
9(a)	Any **five** from: 1. Cell homogenisation to break open cells; 2. Filter to remove (large) debris/whole cells; 3. Use isotonic solution to prevent damage to mitochondria/organelles; 4. Keep cold to prevent/reduce damage by enzymes / use buffer to prevent protein/enzyme denaturation; 5. Centrifuge (at lower speed/1000 g) to separate nuclei/cell fragments/ heavy organelles; 6. Re-spin (supernatant / after nuclei/pellet removed) at higher speed to get mitochondria in pellet/at bottom;	5 max	1. Accept suitable method of breaking open cells. 2. Reject removes cell walls. 3. Ignore to prevent damage to cells. 5. Ignore incorrect numerical values. 6. Must have location Reject ref to plant cell organelles only once
9(b)	Principles: 1. Electrons pass through/enter (thin) specimen; 2. Denser parts absorb more electrons; 3. (So) denser parts appear darker; 4. Electrons have short wavelength so give high resolution; Limitations: 5. Cannot look at living material / Must be in a vacuum; 6. Specimen must be (very) thin; 7. Artefacts present; 8. Complex staining method / complex/long preparation time; 9. Image not in 3D / only 2D images produced;	5 max	Principles: Allow maximum of 3 marks Limitations: Context of limitation must be clear, not simply explaining how TEM works Eg "allows you to see organelles as a thin section is used" is not a limitation Allow maximum of 3 marks Ignore ref to colour