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for the guidance of teachers**

**9700 BIOLOGY**

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Paper 2 (AS Structured Questions), maximum raw mark 60

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Mark scheme abbreviations:

<b>;</b>	separates marking points
<b>/</b>	alternative answers for the same point
<b>R</b>	reject
<b>A</b>	accept (for answers correctly cued by the question, or by extra guidance)
<b>AW</b>	alternative wording (where responses vary more than usual)
<b><u>underline</u></b>	actual word given must be used by candidate (grammatical variants excepted)
<b>max</b>	indicates the maximum number of marks that can be given
<b>ora</b>	or reverse argument
<b>mp</b>	marking point (with relevant number)
<b>ecf</b>	error carried forward
<b>I</b>	ignore

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1 (a) *one mark each column*

*transport mechanism*  
 (passive / simple) diffusion    **R** facilitated diffusion    } ;  
 endocytosis / phagocytosis    **R** bulk transport

*example*  
 glucose / amino acids / ions / named ion    **A** polar / hydrophilic, molecules } ;  
*accept any relevant*  
 water

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(b) *ignore correct examples of materials if given in addition to transport mechanism*  
**R if incorrect examples given**

facilitated diffusion ;  
 active, transport / uptake ;    **A** sodium-potassium pump (mechanism)  
 (passive / simple) diffusion or osmosis ;  
 endocytosis or exocytosis ;  
**A** (for endocytosis) pinocytosis / micropinocytosis / phagocytosis

[4]

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2 (a) allow immunoglobulin for antibody

structure	name of structure	function of structure within plasma cell
A	<u>nucleus</u> ; A (eu)chromatin R heterochromatin R chromosome	ref. gene(s) / genetic information / genetic material / DNA, (coding) for, antibody / protein / polypeptide ; transcription (occurring) / mRNA synthesis ; AW (ref. antibodies) <i>allow ecf for nucleolus</i>
B	mitochondrion ; A mitochondria	provides / synthesises / produces / makes, <u>ATP</u> (for antibody synthesis / exocytosis) ; <i>treat as neutral other uses of ATP</i> <i>allow ecf for lysosomes</i>
C	<u>rough</u> endoplasmic reticulum ; ignore RER	synthesis / modification / processing / transport, of, antibody / protein / polypeptide ; A translation <i>allow ecf for Golgi or SER or ER</i>

[max 6]

(b) (i) 1 part of the immune response ; A primary / secondary, response

*many plasma cells*

- 2 to produce high, concentration / level / AW, of, antibody / immunoglobulin ;  
3 (high concentration antibody so) more effective against pathogens / AW ;

*identical plasma cells*

- 4 specific / particular / AW, to an, antigen / epitope ;  
*in context of antibodies or plasma cells*  
5 antibody (molecules) produced are all the same ; A ora, qualified  
6 only the gene coding for particular antibody, switched on / transcribed / expressed ;

[max 3]

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(ii) *accept from annotated diagrams*

*cell cycle stages are not required for mark points 1, 3, 4 and 7  
reject if incorrect mitotic stage given for these mark points*

- 1 ref. to, duplication / replication, of centrioles (in late interphase / before prophase);  
**A** dividing  
**R** splitting
- 2 (centriole pairs) move to opposite poles in prophase ;  
*accept asters or centrosomes for centrioles*
- 3 (movement allows) spindle formation / organisation of spindle fibres / microtubule assembly / microtubule organisation / AW, (in prophase) ;
- 4 (late prophase / early metaphase / metaphase), chromosomes / centromeres, attach to, spindle fibres / microtubules ;
- 5 chromosomes, line up / aligned / AW, at, equator / metaphase plate ;
- 6 ref. separation of, sister / identical, chromatids, at anaphase (to poles) ;  
**A** sister chromatids move to opposite poles at anaphase  
**A** daughter chromosomes *for sister chromatids*
- 7 ref., pulling / shortening, by, microtubules / spindle fibres ; AW [max 4]

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3 (a) *max 3 if no attempt at comparison*

*evaporation*

- 1 formation of water vapour from water / conversion of water from liquid (form) to gas(eous form) ;
- 2 requires, energy / heat ;
- 3 (water loss) from, surface / cell walls, of (spongy) mesophyll (cells);

*transpiration*

- 4 idea of loss of water vapour, to external atmosphere / from the aerial parts of a plant ;  
**A** from leaves
- 5 ref. diffusion, down water potential gradient / from high to low water potential / from less negative to more negative water potential ; **A**  $\Psi$  for water potential
- 6 through stomata ;

*air spaces*

- 7 correct ref. to, intercellular / air, spaces ; e.g. evaporation into air spaces, diffusion from air spaces through stomata [max 4]

(b) (i) *max 3 if no attempt at explanation*

*penalise once for lack of units*

*mp for describing shown by (D)*

*mp for explaining shown by (E)*

*temperature*

- T1 (D) (mean) transpiration rate hot dry day lower than warm dry day ;  
**A** lower than warm rainy day **A** lowest rate
- T2 (D) comparative data quote to support ;
- T3 (E) stomata close to prevent excess water loss / excessive water loss causes closure of stomata ; AW

*humidity*

- H1 (D) (mean) transpiration rate warm dry day higher than warm rainy day ;  
**A** highest rate
- H2 (D) data quote to support ;
- H3 (E) decrease in / low, humidity increases rate of, transpiration / evaporation / diffusion ; ora
- H4 (E) more steep / AW, water potential gradient ;

*stomatal density*

- S1 (D) peach (mean) transpiration rate, lowest / lower than, apple / sour cherry ;
- S2 (D) data quote to support ;
- S3 (E) ref. (far) fewer stomata ( $\text{mm}^{-2}$ ) so less water (vapour) lost ;

AVP ; e.g. ref. ABA and stomatal closure (**T**)

- less water (vapour) leaves plant as only cuticular transpiration possible (**T**)  
ref. to higher rate for apple (dry days) and suggestion that stomata are larger [max 4]

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- (b) (ii) decreased / lower, rate during night ; ora  
 stomata closed at night ; ora  
 further detail ; e.g. closed to prevent water loss  
 closed as no photosynthesis  
 no light for photosynthesis  
 open (during day) for, gas exchange / CO<sub>2</sub> in [3]
- (iii) peach / *Prunus persica* / *P. persica* ; [1]
- (c) (i) (repairing damaged DNA) reduces risk of cancer ; **A** prevents  
 further detail ; *in context of reducing risk*  
 e.g. because tobacco smoke contains mutagens  
 because tobacco smoke contains carcinogens  
 ref. to mutation (as result of damaged DNA) [2]
- (ii) reduces risk of, chronic bronchitis / emphysema / COPD ;  
 further detail ; *in context of reducing risk*  
 e.g. (reducing inflammation)  
 reduces risk of infection  
 prevents excess mucus production **R** if linked to emphysema  
 prevents alveolar wall breakdown **R** if linked to bronchitis  
 no / less, scar tissue forms [2]

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- 4 (a) (i) *DNA because*  
RNA (has uracil) does not have thymine ; [1]
- (ii) phosphodiester ; [1]
- (iii) deoxyribose ; [1]

- (b) collects / attaches to, specific amino acid }  
or } ;  
takes specific amino acid / activated tRNA, to ribosome }
- idea of, adjacent / two, amino acids and codon-anticodon binding ;  
peptide bond formation / ref. elongation, (to form polypeptide) ; [max 2]

(c) *accept points from a diagram*

- 1 loss of a water molecule / condensation reaction ;
- 2 OH / O<sup>-</sup>, from, carboxyl / -COOH / COO<sup>-</sup> (group) of one amino acid ;
- 3 H / H<sup>+</sup>, from, amine / NH<sub>2</sub> / NH<sub>3</sub><sup>+</sup> (group) of other amino acid ;
- 2/3 allow one mark for ref. to involvement of carboxyl and amine group
- 4 (peptide bond) links C–N ; [3]

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5 (a) *Vibrio cholerae* ; [1]

- (b) 1 binding / AW, to, active site / site other than active site / allosteric site ;  
 2 further detail / consequence of, binding ;  
     *if binds to active site*  
         complementary shape to active site  
         similar shape to substrate **A** same shape **A** similar structure  
         competes with substrate for active site  
     *if binds to other site*  
         changes shape of active site  
         shape of substrate no longer complementary to active site  
         enzyme-substrate / ES, complex (already in active site)  
         cannot make product  
     *for both types of binding*  
 3 substrate unable, to enter / bind to, active site ;  
     **A** fewer / no, enzyme-substrate / ES, complexes form  
 4 AVP ; e.g.  
     ref. to decreased enzyme activity, qualified e.g. less ATP produced /  
     lower respiration rate  
     preference for, permanent / irreversible, inhibitor (to maximise effect)  
     correct ref. to concentration of inhibitor and effect

[max 3]

(c) (i) 2.70 / 2.71 ;;

1 mark if answer incorrect but correct calculation  
 5 143 / 190 130

[2]

(ii) *max 3 if no reference to particular regions*

*for differences in cases*                      *accept ora for mark points*

- 1 idea of overall greater exposure to contaminated, water / food ;
- 2 no, safe (drinking) water sources / bottled water / water treatment plants ;
- 3 lack of hygiene, qualified ; e.g. hands not washed after defaecation
- 4 faeces / sewage, mixing with drinking water / onto crops; **A** poor sanitation
- 5 insufficient / poor access to, (oral cholera) vaccines ;
- 6 vaccine less effective in some areas ;
- 7 lack of education about the way cholera is transmitted ;
- 8 differences in effectiveness of surveillance and reporting ;
- 9 qualified ref. to, natural disasters / wars / refugee camps ;

*for differences in fatality rates*

- 10 increase in, antibiotic / drug, resistant strains (in some areas) ;
- 11 lack of, health services / drugs / antibiotics / ORT / skilled personnel ;  
     **A** lack of medicines
- 12 AVP ;

[max 4]

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6 (a) G ;  
A ;  
B ;  
F ;

[4]

(b) *do not accept list ATP, DNA, RNA, phospholipid as these must be qualified*

- 1 idea of, increase in cell numbers / more cells ; **A** ref. to mitosis / cell division
- 2 ATP, qualified ; e.g. for, cell growth / anabolic reactions
- 3 (activated) nucleotides for, DNA / RNA, synthesis ;
- 4 phospholipid for membranes ;
- 5 DNA replication (for cell division) ;
- 6 RNA for, protein synthesis / AW ;
- 7 AVP ; e.g. activate glucose for glycolysis  
ref. NADP, light-dependent reaction

[max 3]

**[Total: 7]**