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GCE Advanced Subsidiary Level and GCE Advanced Level

## **MARK SCHEME for the May/June 2014 series**

### **9700 BIOLOGY**

**9700/32**

Paper 32 (Advanced Practical Skills 2),  
maximum raw mark 40

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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 accepted)
<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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- (ii) (x-axis) time of heating solution **E** / seconds  
+ (y-axis) time to reach the end-point / seconds ;

(x-axis) 2 cm to 50 seconds, labelled each 2 cm, except origin and 300 seconds  
+ (y-axis) 2 cm to 50 seconds, labelled each 2 cm, except origin and 250 ;

correct plotting of five points as small cross or dot in circle or cross ;

five plots + ruled sharp lines exactly point to point

**or**

ruled line of best fit + sharp smooth line ;

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- (iii) structure of protein / substrate / enzyme / active site or bonds  
+ changed / altered / destroyed / no longer complementary / broken ;

fewer ESCs / Enzyme Substrate Complexes or less substrate can bind ;

*idea of enzyme denatured ;*

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**[Total: 20]**

- 2 (a) at least 3 lines + size at least 40 mm across greatest width of root tip + no shading ;  
no cells + one closed end with one open end ;  
root cap as separate area or two lines around margin ;  
chooses (correct) area to cells undergoing mitosis ;  
label (e.g. mitosis) to area with cells undergoing mitosis ;

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- (b) at least 5 cells + size at least 50 mm across largest cell at widest point + sharp continuous lines ;  
only 5 whole cells drawn + enclosure drawn in cells **Q** and **S** ;  
for cells **P**, **R** and **T** whole nuclei drawn as different shapes ;  
for **Q** chromosomes drawn as a mass ;  
2 labels + 2 lines + 2 different stages of mitosis identified ;  
one correct annotation of one stage ;

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- (c) measures scale bar within range + mm + to 0.5 ; (range 13–15 mm) ;

shows conversion of scale bar in mm to  $\mu\text{m}$  ( $\times 1000$ )

**or**

shows conversion of  $31 \mu\text{m}$  to mm ( $31 \text{ divided by } 1000 = 0.031 \text{ mm}$ ) ;

show measurement of scale bar in  $\mu\text{m}$  divided by  $31 \mu\text{m}$

**or**

shows measurement of scale bar in mm divided by  $0.031 \text{ mm}$  ;

correct answer 451.61 / correct answer rounded to a whole number (452) ; **ecf**

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(d) organise as table with 3 columns headed feature + Fig. 2.1 + Fig. 2.2 ;

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*max 4 for differences*

<b>point of comparison</b>	<b>Fig 2.1</b>	<b>Fig 2.2</b>
cells undergoing mitosis	more	few(er)
visibility of chromosomes	chromosome / chromatids visible	chromosome / chromatids not visible ;
metaphase or anaphase	present / (one cell in) metaphase / anaphase	absent / no metaphase / anaphase ;
interphase or telophase	less <b>or</b> no telophase	more <b>or</b> (one / two cells in) telophase ;
cell walls <b>or</b> cell shape <b>or</b> cell arrangement	not visible / absent <b>or</b> rectangular / 4 sides <b>or</b> scattered / irregular / random	prominent / present <b>or</b> 6 sides / 5 sides <b>or</b> aligned / regular / ordered ;
cell packing <b>or</b> air spaces <b>or</b> cells touching	loosely packed / more spaced out / separated <b>or</b> more air spaces <b>or</b> have spaces between cells or cells not touching	closely packed / less spaced out; <b>or</b> none or few air spaces <b>or</b> have no spaces between cells or cells touching ;
nucleus	present <b>or</b> all cells show a nucleus	not all cells show a nucleus or some cells have a nucleus ;

[max 5]

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