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Question number	Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
1 (a)(i)	C is the correct answer		Computer
			(1)
	• A is not correct as three of the statements are correct		
	• B is not correct as three of the statements are correct		
	• D is not correct as three of the statements are correct		

Question number	Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
1(a)(ii)	 D is the correct answer A is incorrect as blood does not become less acidic B is incorrect as muscles do not become less fatigued C is incorrect as pH of blood does not increase 		Computer (1)

Question number	Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
1(b)	A description that includes two of the following points:		Expert
	 accept explanation of how proton gradient set up (1) 	can piece together reference to movement of electrons along electron carriers releasing energy to {pump protons into intermembrane space / create electrochemical gradient}	(2)
	 {protons / hydrogen ions} move through {membrane protein/ protein channel /ATP synthase/ ATPase} (1) 	accept protons move down electrochemical gradient	
	• {conversion of ADP + Pi to ATP / phosphorylation of ADP} (1)	accept ADP + Pi -> ATP	

Question number	Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
1(c)	 D is the correct answer A is not the correct answer as ATP is not the first molecule to contain the radioactive oxygen 		Computer (1)
	• B is not the correct answer as carbon dioxide is not the first molecule to contain the radioactive oxygen		
	• C is not the correct answer as reduced NAD is not the first molecule to contain the radioactive oxygen		

Question number	Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
2(a)(i)	 B is the correct answer A is not the correct answer as actin does not join bone to bone C is not the correct answer as muscle does not join bone to bone D is not the correct answer as tendon does not join bone to bone 		Computer (1)

Question number	Answer	Mark
2(a)(ii)		Computer
	D is the correct answer	(1)
	 A is not the correct answer as actin does not join muscle to bone 	
	• B is not the correct answer as ligament does not join muscle to bone	
	 C is not the correct answer as myosin does not join muscle to bone 	

Question	Answer	Mark
number		

2(a)(iii)		Computer
	D is the correct answer	(1)
	A is not the correct answer as actin and myosin are not made of carbohydrates	(.)
	B is not the correct answer as actin and myosin are not made of fatty acids	
	C is not the correct answer as actin and myosin are not made of nucleic acids	

Question number	Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
2(b)(i)	An explanation that includes two of the following points:	muscles if named - rectus femoris and	Expert
	 muscles are in antagonistic pairs / have extensor and flexor muscles (1) 	gastrocnemius / fibialis accept muscles work antagonistically	(2)
	• the muscles contract (with equal strength) (1)	ignore one contracts and the other relaxes	
	 ligaments hold the joint in place (1) 	accept ligaments hold the bones in place	

Question number	Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
2(b)(ii)	A description that includes three of the following points:	mps need to be in logical order to gain credit	Expert
	ATP binds to the myosin head (1)		(3)
	 {releasing the myosin head from the actin strand/breaking the cross-bridge} (1) 		
	ATP is hydrolysed (1)	ACCEPT ATP broken down into ADP and Pi	
	 (providing energy) to change the myosin head {shape / position}(1) 	Do not accept the power stroke	
	 allowing myosin to bind to actin / form actin-myosin cross bridge (1) 		

Question	Answer		Additional guidance	Mark
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3(a)(i)	An answer	that includes the following points	all correct 2 marks	Graduate
	Label	Part	1 or 2 or 3 correct 1 mark 0 correct 0 marks	(2)
	L	dendrites	accept dendrite / dendron	
	М	cell body / centron		
	N	axon		
	О	(pre)synaptic {endings /knob/bulb}	accept axon terminal do not accept synapse(s)	

Question	Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
3(a)(ii)			Computer
	D is the correct answer		(1)
	• A in not correct because lidocaine inhibits sodium ion channels		
	• B in not correct because lidocaine inhibiting sodium ion channels		
	 C in not correct because lidocaine inhibiting sodium ion channels 		

Question number	Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
3(b)(i)	 (scanning) electron (microscope) /sem / em (1) 	Do not accept electric / electrical /electronic Do not accept transmission electron microscope / tem Do not accept microgram	Graduate (1)

Question number	Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
3(b)(ii)	A calculation showing the following steps		Expert
	 correct measurement of X-Y in μm (1) 	11 000 µm	(2)
	• calculation of thickness of connecting tissue (1)	(11 000 ÷ 3300)= 3.3 /3.33/3.333/ 3 µm	
	OR	1 mark for power of 10 errors e.g. 0.33 or 0.0033 or 333	
	• calculation of thickness (1)	(11÷ 3300)= 0.00333 (1.1÷ 3300)= 0.0333	
	 conversion to μm (1) 	(0.00333) x 1000 = 3.3 /3.33/3.333/ 3 µm 1 mark for power of 10 errors e.g. 0.33 or 0.0033 or 333	
		No ECF	

Question number	Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
3(b)(iii)	An explanation that includes three of the following points		Expert
	• myelin (sheath) acts as an insulator (1)		(3)
	 gaps (in myelin sheath) are called nodes of Ranvier /nodes of Ranvier have higher number of (voltage gated) sodium channels (1) 		
	 {action potentials/depolarization} can only occur at nodes on Ranvier (in myelinated neurones)(1) 		
	• (therefore) impulse jumps from one node of Ranvier to the next(1)	accept {action potentials / depolarization}occur along the whole unmyelinated neurone mp4 accept converse accept reference to saltatory conduction	

Question number	Answer	Additional guidance	Mark	{
4(a)(i)	A description that includes the following points:		Expert	
		Statements can be either way round	(2)	
	 general trend the higher the (resting) heart rate the lower the life expectancy/ no clear relationship between the (resting) heart rate the life expectancy (1) 	accept negative correlation		
	• the higher the (resting) heart rate the lower the (mean) mass (1)	accept converse		
	• the higher the (resting) heart rate the lower the (mean resting) metabolic rate (1)	accept converse		

Question	Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
4(a)(ii)	A calculation with the following steps		Expert
	 calculation of oxygen used per kilogram(1) calculation of oxygen used for 4500kg elephant(1) correct answer in standard form (1) 	(1400 ÷ 5780) = 0.24 (4500 x 0.24) = 1080 1.09 x 10 ³ / 1.0896 x 10 ³ ignoring any units ECF for mps 2 and 3 alternate method working out: 1 mark for 1400 x 4500 = 6 300 000 for 2 marks (4500 x 1400) ÷ 5780 = 1089.96	(3)

1 mark	2 marks	3 marks
(1400 ÷ 5780) = 0.24	(4500 x 0.24) = 1080	1.09 x 10 ³
1400 x 4500 = 6 300 000	(4500 x 1400) ÷ 5780 = 1089.96 or 1089.97 or 1090	1.0896 x 10 ³
	6.3 x 10 ⁶ (1+3ECF)	1.08 x 10 ³
	2.4 x 10 ⁻¹ (1+3ECF)	1.1 x 10 ³
Mp1 incorrect but correct conversion to standard form		
	MP1 correct ÷ wrong denominator with correct standard form(1+3ECF)	

Question	Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
number			
4(b)(i)	 An explanation that includes the following points: chemoreceptors detect {lower pH of blood / increased blood CO₂ concentration}/ baroreceptors detect change in blood pressure (1) 	Do not accept reference to signals / messages increased adrenaline production	Expert (4)
	 (electrical) {impulses sent to medulla (oblongata)/cardiovascular control centre (CVC)} / chemoreceptors are located in medulla oblongata (1) 	adrenaline which circulates in the blood	
	 impulses travel {from the medulla oblongata / via sympathetic nervous system} to the SAN /more impulses sent to {AVN/ bundle of His / Purkyne fibres} (1) 	mp3 adrenaline binds to receptors in {heart muscle / SAN}	
	 (causing SAN) to increase frequency of depolarisation causing an increase in {heart rate / systole} (1) 	mp4 (causing SAN) to increase frequency of depolarisation causing an increase in {heart rate / systole}	
		chemoreceptors in medulla oblongata detect increase in blood CO2 = 2 marks	

Question number	Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
4(b)(ii)	An answer that includes two of the following points:		Expert
	 fast twitch muscles fatigue quickly / are for short distance (sprinting) /cheetah cannot get oxygen fast enough for aerobic respiration (1) 	the sprint requires large amounts of ATP (for muscle contraction)	(2)
	• (cells / muscles) respire by anaerobic respiration (1)		
	 (therefore) build up of {lactic acid / oxygen debt} (from anaerobic respiration) (1) 	accept lactate accept release of heat so body temperature goes up rapidly / homeostatic mechanisms cannot occur quick enough	

Question number	Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
5(a)			Computer
	C is the correct answer		(1)
	 a high glomerular filtration does not enable the camel to reduce water loss 		
	 a slow release of ADH does not enable the camel to reduce water loss 		

Question number	Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
5(b)(i)	A calculation with the following steps		Graduate
	 calculation of water use each day for camel and buffalo (1) correct difference in dm3 to two significant figures(1) 	(57 x 850) = 48450 cm ³ (150 x 697)= 104550 cm ³ (104550 - 48450) ÷ 1000 = 56 (dm ³) 56.1= 1 mark	(2)
		Power of 10 error 1 mark eg 561 150-57=93 and then dividing by 1000 to get 0.093 = 1 mark	

Question number	Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
5(b)(ii)	An answer that includes the following points:		Expert
	 credit one adaptation / environmental condition (1) credit second adaptation / environmental condition (1) 	accept different habitat accept different environmental condition	(2)

Question number	Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
5(c)	An answer that includes three of the following points:		Expert
	 (overall)l both fresh water and sea water increased (mean) mass (of kangaroo rats) (1) 	can piece together from separate descriptions of data	(3)
	 fresh water increased (mean) mass (of kangaroo rats) more than sea water 	accept fresh water caused the highest increase in(mean) mass	
	 credit any calculated change in mass over days/ or daily change (1) 	e.g. 6 g difference between fresh and no water / 0.5 g difference between fresh and salt water / decrease of {0.2/0.6/1.8} g after 2 days / increase of {0.5 / 1} g after 16 days Ergeb 0.83% and sea 0.42% daily	

Question number	Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
5(d)	An answer that includes two of the following points:		Expert
	 (nephron has) long(er) loop of Henle (1) 		(2)
	• higher concentration of ions in the medulla (1)	accept reference to counter current multiplier	
	 (kidneys/tubule/ DCT and collecting duct/ loop of Henle}) reabsorb {large quantities of / more } water (1) 	accept ADH results in increased absorption of water accept increased permeability to water in DCT and collecting duct accept ADH causes insertion of {water channels / aquaporins} in DCT and collecting duct	

Question number	Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
6(a)	 A is the correct answer B is not the correct answer as Pr does not break down in the dark C is not the correct answer as Pr does not absorb far red light D is not the correct answer as Pr does not absorb far red light nor break down in the dark 		Computer (1)

Question number	Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
6(b)	An explanation that includes three of the following points:		Expert
	 auxin accumulates on shaded side (of the tip/stem/shoot/plant) (1) 	accept accumulates on the left of diagram	(3)
	• {stimulating/causing} cell elongation (1)	accept auxins move away from the exposed light	
	 detail of mechanism of action of auxin (1) 		
		e.g. auxins stimulate the transport of Hydrogen ions into the cell wall or decrease pH activating {cell wall proteins / enzymes / chemicals /expansins} / {altering the hydrogen bonding within / decreasing strength of} the cell wall allowing elongation when water taken in / ref to activation of transcription factors	
	 causing the plant to grow towards {light / sun} (1) 	accept causing positive phototropism do not accept bend towards light	

Question number	Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
6(c)	An explanation that includes four of the following points:	ignore amylose	Expert
	 (gibberellin) binds to receptor / carrier molecule in the cell / acts as a transcription factor(1) 		(4)
	• (amylase) {transcription factor/gene is activated} (1)	transcription factor binding to promotor region of gene cause the inactivation of (amylase) gene {inhibitor protein/repressor molecule}	
	 allowing {(amylase gene) transcription / production of (amylase) mRNA / translation mRNA / production of amylase} (1) 		
	 amylase (hydrolyses/ converts) starch into {maltose / glucose} (1) 	ignore monomers	
		activates gene that produces amylase = mps 2 and 3	

Question number	Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
6(d)	An answer that includes four of the following points:		Expert
	 both natural and synthetic auxin cause an increase (in cell number) (1) 	can piece together both natural and synthetic auxin are better than the control at all concentrations	(4)
	 {natural auxin/ IAA} greater effect on growth than {synthetic auxin / NAA} (1) 	IAA gives a greater increase in number of cells than NAA	
	 IAA at 0.1 (µmol dm⁻³) was the most effective at increasing {growth / cell number} (1) 	Accept most cell number	
	 1 (µmol dm⁻³) was the most effective NAA concentration at increasing {growth / cell number} (1) 	Accept most cell number	
	• IAA is {better / more effective / has more cells} at lower		
	concentrations(1)	Accept higher concentrations of auxin(IAA)	
		{had lower increase in growth / had lower	
		increase in number of cells}	
		Accept converse	
		Accept negative correlation	

Question	Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
7(a)(i)	A description that includes four of the following points:		Expert
	 {identify/isolate/ cut out} the (<u>human</u>) rHE gene (1) 		(4)
	 Cut {DNA sequence / gene} using restriction {endonuclease / enzyme} (1) 	gene coding for rHE is isolated using restriction enzymes = 2 marks	
	• insert the gene into a vector (1)	accept named vector e.g. plasmid, virus ignore bacteria	
	 inserting vector into suitable target (<u>sheep</u>) {cell / tissue} (1) 	e.g. udder cells / milk (protein) producing cells /fertilized sheep egg cell / embryo /zygote	

Question number	Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
7(a)(ii)			Graduate
	• 77.5 (%)	accept 77 or 78	(1)

Question number	Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
7(a)(iii)	 A description that includes four of the following points: rHE acts as an antigen (1) 	accept antigen recognized as foreign	Expert
	 {(phagocyte /macrophage / APC} presents antigen to (B/T) lymphocyte (1) T helper cells activate the B cells (1) 	accept B cells present antigen to themselves. accept T helper cells cause the production / formation of B effector cells and B memory cells	
	differentiate into plasma cells (1)		
	 plasma cells {release/ produce} (anti-rHE) antibodies (1) 		

Question number	Answer Additional guidance	Mark
7(b)	 An answer that includes the following points: Indicative content - description from graphs and experimental data (many) crops have been engineered to provide resistance to pests or herbicides eg. soybean, corn soybean will not be killed by (glycophosphate) herbicides corn will not be eaten by the core borer 	Expert (6)
	 herbicide tolerant soybean went from 7% of planted area in 1996 to 95% in 2017 insect resistant corn went from 6% in 1996 to 88% in 2017 increase in planting of both GM soybean and GM corn more GM soybean planted (than GM corn) general increase in production of genetically modified crops 	
	 explanation of benefits higher yields / less damage by pests more appealing colour / useful feature GE foods having longer shelf life more predictable food supplies for ever growing population 	
	 improved nutritional content 'medication' provided through GE foods can help prevent {malnutrition / disease} (reduced use / cost) of herbicides and pesticides withstand emiranmental conditions 	
	 With stand environmental conditions discussion of risks increasing demand agricultural resources and land reducing land available to grow other crops 	
	 increasing monoculture declining biodiversity / stated effect on (stated local ecosystem) unknown consequences of foreign gene expression / long term effect unknown borizontal gene transfer to other organisms and species eg antibiotic resistance, weeds becoming berbicide 	

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resistant	

To go in published MS Level 1:

1 mark - table or graph commented on 2 marks - both graph and table commented on **Level 2:** all level 1 plus: basic discussion of both benefits and risks (only 1 section) OR detailed discussion of EITHER benefits OR risks

Level 3:

all level 2 plus: detailed discussion of BOTH benefits AND risks selective and concise and logical

Question number	Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
8(a)	An explanation that includes four of the following points:		Expert
	 rhodopsin (in rod cells) absorb light and {splits into retinal and opsin / becomes bleached}(1) cis-retinal converted to trans-retinal(1) sodium ion channels (in surface membrane) close (1) 	accept rhodopsin absorbs light and forms opsin /light hits rhodopsin and bleaches it accept membrane permeability to sodium ions decreases do not accept (opsin) blocks Na ⁺ channel	(4)
	 {rod cell / membrane} becomes hyperpolarised (1) no glutamate transmitter {released/produced} (into synaptic cleft) (1) 		

Question number	Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
8(b)	 An answer that includes three of the following points: extraction of mRNA (1) use of (specific) microarray (1) 	Do not pick and mix accept reference to samples of mRNA	Expert (3)
	 use of fluorescent {dyes /marker/ probe}(1) (comparing stimulated and un-stimulated neurones) {use of bioinformatics/ algorithms to analyse data} (1) OR extraction of mRNA(1) use of reverse transcriptase to form cDNA(1) use of PCR(1) 	[ignore marker gene]	
Question number	Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
8(c)	 An explanation that includes three of the following points: (capsaicin){activates/binds to} a receptor (1) opens ion channels in neurons (1) results in {depolarization / action potential / impulse} (in neuron (1) relay neuron transmits {action potential / impulse} (to the brain where) it is perceived as pain (1) 	accept TRPV1 as named receptor accept named ion channel do not accept if in motor neurone	Expert (3)

Question number	Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
8(d)	An explanation that includes three of the following		Expert
	• (stimulus causes) ion channel to change shape (1)		(3)
	 (which causes) ion channels {to / are} open(1) 		
	 allowing influx of (sodium / calcium) ions (1) 	ignore potassium ions accept calcium ions cause release of neurotransmitters	
	 initiates {depolarization / action potential} (1) 	accept if it goes above threshold level	

Question number	Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
8(e)	A explanation that includes three of the following points:		Expert
	 {mechanical stimulus / pressure} changes shape of the membrane (1) 	accept stretches membrane	(3)
	 causes {ion channel / protein} to {change shape /activated/ open} (1) 		
	• allowing influx of (sodium / calcium) ions (1)	ignore potassium ions	
	 initiates {depolarization/ action potential} (1) 		

Question number	Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
8(f)	An explanation that includes two of the following points:		Expert
	 by comparing {DNA base/amino acid} sequences (1) 		(2)
	 piezo 2 has similar structure to piezo 1(1) 	accept a second protein / amino acid with a similar {structure / DNA base sequence} was identified	
	 both Piezo1 and Piezo 2(gene) could be inactivated in the same way (1) 		
	 both (Piezo1 and Piezo2) are activated by pressure (on cell membrane) (1) 		
		accept pressure makes them both open accept respond to mechanical stimuli accept respond the same to stimuli	

Question number	Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
8(g)	An answer that includes three of the following points:		Expert
	• TRPV1 channels are sensitive to temperature (of the blood) (1)		(2)
	• impulse transmitted to {CNS / ANS / hypothalamus/brain} (1)		
	 credit description of what (hypothalamus does) to maintain core body temperature (1) 		

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