

- M1.** (a) beating/pumping of heart / contraction of ventricles/heart; 1
- (b) (at arterial end) hydrostatic pressure/blood pressure;
greater than pressure of water potential gradient /greater than
osmotic uptake; 2
- (c) removed by lymphatic system / lymph; returned to blood; 2
- (d) less protein in blood;
water potential gradient is lower (less -ve/higher ψ). 2
- [7]**
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- M2.** (a) exchange/diffusion across body surface/skin;
short diffusion pathway/distance/large SA:V ratio; 2
- (b) large numbers of lamellae so large SA;
lamellae thin so short (diffusion) pathway to blood/capillaries;
high rate of oxygen uptake for respiration/energy release;
(accept more oxygen) 3
- [5]**
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- M3.** (a) (i) arteriole; 1
- (ii) *any two*
oxygen/glucose/amino acids / fatty acids / glycerol / minerals; 1
- (b) small diameter/ lumen / small mean cross sectional area / increase in
(total) cross sectional area;
more surface in contact with blood;
greater friction / resistance;
(causes) loss of pressure; 2 max

- (c) (i) artery; 1
- (ii) stretches/expands to accommodate increase in blood volume / when ventricle contracts/ increase in blood pressure; recoils when blood volume decreases / when ventricle relaxes / blood pressure decreases; 2
- [7]**
- M4.** (a) (i) 1. Removes water vapour/moisture/saturated air;
2. Increases water potential gradient/more diffusion/more evaporation; 2
- (ii) 1. Increases kinetic energy;
2. Water molecules move faster;
3. Increases diffusion/evaporation; 2 max
- (b) (i) Positive correlation/as light intensity increases so does rate of water movement/follows same pattern/directly proportional; 1
- (ii) 1. Stomata open;
2. Photosynthesis increases/transpiration increases;
3. More water pulled up;
4. Cohesion between water molecules/by cohesion tension; 2 max
- (iii) 1. Water pulled up trunk/moves up at fast rate;
2. (Water column under) tension;
3. Sticking/adhesion (between water and) cells/walls/xylem;
Adhesion is not a specification requirement.
Accept cohesion in this context
4. Pulls xylem in; 2 max

(c) Elastic tissue

- 1 Elastic tissue stretches under pressure/when heart beats;
- 2 Recoils/springs back;
- 3 Evens out pressure/flow;

Do not allow credit for expands/contracts/relaxes in this context.

From a marking viewpoint ignore all specific references to arteries and arterioles. Consider all points as applying to both.

3 Do accept controls

Muscle

- 4 Muscle contracts;
 - 5 Reduces diameter of lumen/vasoconstriction/constricts vessel;
 - 6 Changes flow/pressure;
- 4–6 Accept converse*

Epithelium

- 7 Epithelium smooth;
- 8 Reduces friction/blood clots/less resistance;

6 max

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- M5.** (a) (diffusion) gradient will be maintained all the way along the gill / the amount of oxygen in the water is always higher than in the blood / the numbers in the water are always higher than in the blood; more oxygen will diffuse into the blood;

2

- (b) (i) 100 cycles per minute;
(principle of 60/x or 0.6 seen gains one mark)

2

- (ii) shuts mouth;
raises the floor of the mouth cavity;
decreases volume in the mouth cavity;

2 max

- (iii) the fish has lowered the floor of its mouth cavity;
(therefore) the pressure in the mouth falls below that of the opercular cavity;

OR

the fish has closed the flap covering the opercular cavity;
(therefore) the pressure in the opercular cavity increases above that of the mouth cavity;

2

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- M6.** (a) Caused by blood leaving the heart/entering artery;
As a result of ventricles contracting/systole;

2

- (b) Stretch as pressure increases;
Recoil/spring back as pressure drops;

Do not accept contract and relax in this context.

Allow 1 mark for 'stretch and recoil' without reference to pressure.

2

- (c) Both have an endothelium/epithelium/squamous cells;

1

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- M7.** (a) (gills have) lamellae on filaments;
lots of both;

2

- (b) (i) all 3 go up;

Accept converse

1

- (ii) more oxygen can be supplied;
for more respiration;

Accept answer relating to CO₂

2

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- M8.** (a) Endothelium/epithelium;

Allow endothelial/epithelial

Reject: epidermis/endodermis

1

- (b) Measurement divided by 8; 1
- Allow answer in range of 3-3.3 for two marks;
Correct answer gains 2 marks. 1
- (c) (i) Stretches/'expands' under high pressure/when ventricle contracts/systole;
 Recoils/'springs back' under low pressure/when ventricle relaxes/diastole;
Q References to aorta contracting or relaxing negates marks for stretch and recoil.
 Smooths blood flow/maintains blood pressure/reduces pressure surges;
Stretch and recoil without reference to blood pressure etc. = one mark.
Stretch and recoil to smooth blood flow etc. = two marks
Ignore references to aorta withstanding blood pressure or not being damaged. 2 max
- (ii) (Muscle) contracts;
'It' in answer = muscle 1
- (Arteriole) constricts/narrows/alters size of lumen/reduces/regulates blood flow (to capillaries);
Allow converse (muscle) relaxes and (arteriole) dilates etc/increase blood flow etc.
Ignore references to pressure 1
- (d) (i) Large/increase in (total) cross sectional area/friction/resistance; 1
- (ii) (More) time for exchange of substances; 1
- [9]**
- M9.** (a) made of (different) tissues/specified tissues; 1
- (b) (i) 20 μm as it consists of endothelium only/does not contain muscle, connective tissues and elastic tissue;
(consider other answers and credit understanding.) 1

- (ii) 1 mark calculation derived from diameter - (2 x wall thickness)/
answer of 3mm;
2 marks 2mm/2000µm;

2

- (c) stretches as a result of high pressure/surge of blood;
then recoils;

2

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- M10.** (a) lymph;

1

- (b) arrow drawn from right to left . no mark (*if wrong direction disqualify*)
correct reference to blood entering capillary having higher hydrostatic
pressure;

1

- (c) HP forces water out;
idea that HP is "higher" than WP;
proteins remain in blood (increases WP);
idea that WP is now "higher" than HP;
water returns by osmosis / along WP gradient;
water moves out at arteriole end and back in (at venule end);

4 max

- (d) high respiration rate means high demand for oxygen;
shrew haemoglobin has lower affinity for oxygen / gives up O²
more readily;
- shrew Hb lower saturation rate than human Hb at same partial
pressure / more O²
released at same pp;

3

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- M11.** (a) (*explanation must be linked to structures to gain second mark for each linked pair*)

filaments/lamellae ;	large SA;
gill plates or secondary lamellae;	
large number of capillaries;	to remove oxygen / to maintain a gradient;
thin epithelium;	short diffusion pathway;
pressure changes;	to bring in more water / to maintain gradient;
countercurrent flow (or description);	exchange/diffusion along whole length / concentration gradient maintained / equilibrium not achieved / blood always meets water with higher oxygen concentration;

6

- (b) (i) requires 20 cm³ of oxygen / extracts 7.2 cm³ of oxygen
reject if referring to volume of water

$$/ \frac{20}{7.2};$$

2.7/2.8 (dm³h⁻¹);

(correct answer award 2 marks)

2

- (ii) high (relative) density/heavy;
requires large input of energy;
difficult to push back out;

2 max

- (c) *(for each pair second point must be linked to first)*
to provide same amount of oxygen;
need to have more water flowing over gills;
OR
metabolic rate/respiration increases (with increase in temperature);
so more oxygen required;

2 max

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QWC 1

- M12.** (a) The muscle in the wall/sphincter contracts;
Accept converse

Reducing blood flow/narrowing/closing arteriole;

The muscle to which the candidate is referring must be clearly in the wall of the arteriole.

2

- (b) (i) Blood flow increased in humans/reduced in seals;

1

- (ii) Less oxygen/blood taken to muscles;
None is incorrect

(More) oxygen available for organs/brain;
Can stay under water longer (without breathing);

max 2

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- M13.** (a) (i) one feature;
then linked Explanation;
- (many) filaments / lamellae / secondary lamellae;
so large surface area;
- large number of capillaries; (NOT “good blood supply”)
maintains a diffusion gradient / removes oxygen;
- thin epithelium / lamellae wall;
short diffusion pathway;
- 2
- (ii) maintains diffusion / concentration gradient / equilibrium
not reached;
diffusion occurs across whole length (of lamellae / gill);
- 2
- (b) fish closes mouth and raises the floor of the mouth;
this decreases the volume / increases the pressure (of mouth);
Increased volume / decreased pressure of opercular cavity;
water forced over the gills;
operculum / opercular valve opens;
- 3 max
- (c) less energy needed / continuous flow of water or O₂;
- 1
- [8]
- M14.** (a) Small surface area to volume ratio;
Loses less heat (to the water);
- 2
- (b) (i) Diffusion through cell/body surface;
Q *The key term here is diffusion*
- 1
- (ii) Small organisms have large surface area to volume ratio;
Rate of diffusion depends on surface area;
All parts of cell only a short distance from exchange surface;
- 2 max
- (c) Surface area of leaves;
Different shoots will have leaves with different surface areas;
- 2
- (d) Draw line/curve of best fit/from line/curve of best fit;
Find slope/gradient/divide distance moved by time;
- 2

- (e) 1 Air enters through (open) spiracles;
 2 Through tracheae;
 3 Diffusion gradient in trachea
 4 Tracheae associated with all cells/closely associated with cells;
 5 Oxygen diffuses into cells;
 6 Ventilation replacing air in tracheae;
 7 Body covered with (waterproof) waxy layer/cuticle;
 8 Spiracles are able to close;

6 max

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- M15.** (a) Made up of different tissues/more than one tissue;
Q Made up of tissues implies more than one so allow. Ignore references to function

1

- (b) Deoxygenated/less pressure;

1

Q Unqualified pronouns in the context of this question refer to pulmonary artery

- (c) Thick muscular walls;
 Greater elastic content;
 Do not have valves;
 Small/narrow lumen;

QWC Unqualified pronouns in the context of this question refer to artery

2 max

- (d) (i) Decreases with increased distance from the heart;

1

- (ii) Friction /resistance to flow;

1

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- M16.** (a) (Blood) plasma;

1

- (b) More/larger proteins/less urea/carbon dioxide/more glucose/amino acids/fatty acids/oxygen/high(hydrostatic) pressure;

Q Reference to blood cells/water potential = neutral

Q No Protein should not be credited

1

- (c) (i) Contracts;
Q Do not accept pumping of heart/heart beating 1
- (ii) Loss of fluid/volume;
 Friction/resistance (of capillary wall);
Q Reference to a narrow lumen is not sufficient to gain a mark unless friction or resistance is mentioned. 1 max
- (d) Water potential (in capillary) not as low/is higher/less negative/water potential gradient is reduced;
 More tissue fluid formed (at arteriole end);
 Less/no water absorbed (into blood capillary);
 by osmosis; (into blood capillary);
Q The last two marking points must be in context of movement into the blood capillary 3 max

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- M17.** (a) Filaments/lamellae provide large surface area;
 Thin/flattened epithelium/one/two cell layers so short diffusion pathway (between water and blood);
 Countercurrent/blood flow maintains concentration/diffusion gradient;
Q Do not credit thin cell walls/membranes 2 max
- (b) (i) Large/wide range of values (so can fit on graph); 1
- (ii) Decrease in uptake with increase in mass/negative correlation; 1
- (iii) Enables comparison;
 As animals differ in size/mass; 2

- (iv) Smaller animals have larger surface area to volume ratio;
Allow converse for larger animals.
Allow appropriately named animal as an alternative to smaller or larger animals.

Lose more heat per gram of tissue;

Respire more/faster (relative to body mass);

Oxygen used in respiration;

3 max

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- M18.** (a) Arrows on all five vessels in correct direction;

1

- (b) (i) D;

1

- (ii) E;

1

- (c)

Feature	Vessel C	Vessel E
Valves	Absent	Present
(Relative) thickness of walls	Thicker	Thinner
Elastin/elastic tissue/fibres	More	Less
Muscle	More	Less
Lumen	Narrow	Wide

Two marks for two correct rows

Accept any pair of contrasting terms with same meaning as those used.

2 max

- (d) Contracts;

(Causing) vasoconstriction/narrows lumen;

2

- (e) (Elastic tissue) stretches when pressure is high;

Springs back/recoils/returns to normal;

Q *Do not credit references to contracting, relaxing or expanding*

2 max

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