Question Number	Answer					Additional guidance	Mark
1(a)							
	Feature	Egg cell only	Sper m cell only	Bot h	Neither		
	Acrosome		×				
	Cortical granules	X					(4)
	Flagellu m		X				
	Haploid nucleus			☒			

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1(b)	(they carry out) (aerobic) respiration  ;		
	2. provide {ATP / energy / eq};		
	3. to { move / drive the / eq } { flagellum / tail } / eq ;		(2)

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1(c)	<ol> <li>halves the chromosome number / eq;</li> <li>to produce a haploid nucleus / eq;</li> <li>so that at fertilisation the {full complement / diploid number / eq} of chromosomes is restored / eq;</li> <li>allows genetic variation (in gametes) / eq;</li> </ol>		
	<ul><li>5. through independent assortment / eq;</li><li>6. through crossing over / eq;</li></ul>		(4)

Question Number	Answer	Additional Comments	Mark
2(a)	(QWC- Spelling of technical terms must be correct and the answer must be organised in a logical sequence)	QWC emphasis is on spelling of technical terms	
	<ol> <li>sperm cell {fuses / eq} with egg cell (membrane);</li> <li>reference to {cortical</li> </ol>	1. N the fusion of the nuclei	
	granules / vesicles / lysosomes};		
	<ol> <li>idea of (cortical granules)     {moving towards / fusing     with } egg cell (surface)     membrane;</li> </ol>		
	4. reference to <i>exocytosis</i> (of <i>cortical granules / vesicles / lysosomes</i> );	4. N for description of acrosome reaction	
	5. idea of contents (of cortical granules) { secreted /released into jelly layer / eq} OR reference to cortical reaction;	5. ACCEPT enzymes / chemicals NOT released into ovum	
	6. idea of { hardening / thickening / eq } of { zona pellucida / jelly layer } OR formation of fertilisation membrane;	6. ACCEPT fertiliZation	
	7. reference to change in charge across egg cell membrane;		(4)

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2(b)	<ol> <li>reference to both { independent / random } assortment and { crossing-over/chiasma(ta) } ;</li> </ol>		
	<ol> <li>independent assortment gives rise to {new / different / eq} combinations of (paternal and maternal) chromosomes;</li> </ol>		
	<ol> <li>crossing over involves swapping of {sections / eq} of {chromatids /chromosomes};</li> </ol>	3. N swapping genes ACCEPT new combinations of alleles (on a chromosome) / recombinants	(2)

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2(c)(i)	Idea that temperature is a controlled variable     e.g. constant temperature removes this variable, so temperature does not affect {results / length of pollen tube};	CEPT the idea of only changing one variable and keeping all the others constant – or so that only methylpurine affecting pollen tubes  NOT 'a control'	
	<ol> <li>idea that (pollen tube) { growth / enzymes / proteins /eq } affected by temperature;</li> </ol>		
	<ol> <li>idea that at this temperature {         enzymes / proteins } will not be         denatured / pollen not destroyed at         this temperature / 22.5°C optimum         temperature ;</li> </ol>		
	4. idea that the investigation is valid;	4. NOT reliable IGNORE fair test, accurate, precise	(2)

Question Number	Answer	Additional Comments	Mark
2(c) (ii)	<ol> <li>idea of { no significant / small / 1mm / eq } increase in { mean length / growth } up to 0.0001 mol dm<sup>-3</sup>;</li> </ol>	IGNORE units.	
	<ol> <li>idea of negative correlation described e.g. {decrease in length of / shorter/ reduced growth of} pollen tubes as concentration increased OR over stated range from 0.0001 to 0.01;</li> </ol>	2. CCEPT reference to decreases at specific concentrations of methylpurine IGNORE negative correlation unqualified	
	<ul> <li>3. idea of greatest { change / drop / eq } between 0.0010 and 0.0100 mol dm<sup>-3</sup> / eq ;</li> <li>4. credit correct manipulation of the</li> </ul>	<ul><li>3. NOT references to pid decrease.</li><li>4. Some examples given bel</li></ul>	
	data to illustrate decrease ;	Conc. Difference % all	
		change (mm) decreases	
		0.0000 - 0.0100 - 66 70 / 70.2 %	
		0.0001 - (95-28) 0.0100 67 71 / 70.5 %	
		0.0001 - (95-90) 5 5 / 5.3 %	
		0.0010 - (90-28) 0.0100 - 62 69 / 68.9 %	
			(3)

Question Number	Answer	Additional Comments	Mark
2(c)(iii)	<ol> <li>{ less / no } transcription / idea of inhibition of RNA polymerase;</li> <li>{ less / no } { translation / protein synthesis/ protein made / eq };</li> </ol>	2 & 3 ACCEPT reference to enzyme instead of protein	
	<ol> <li>idea that protein needed for (pollen tube) growth e.g. less protein leads to reduced growth (of pollen tubes);</li> </ol>	IGNORE repair	(2)

Question Number	Answer	Additional Comments	Mark
3(a)(i)	Idea that temperature is a controll variable / idea that temperature could affect {results / length of pollen tube};	1. N as a control	
	2. dea that (pollen tube) { growth / enzymes / proteins /eq } affected by temperature;		
	3. idea that the investigation is valid;	3. NOT reliable IGNORE fair test, accurate, precise	(2)

Question Number	Answer	Additional Comments	Mark
3(a) (ii)	<ol> <li>idea of increase from { 0/1 } to 10 (μg dm<sup>-3</sup>);</li> </ol>	IGNORE UNITS	
	<ol> <li>greatest length at 10 (μg dm<sup>-3</sup>)/ greatest increase between 1 and 10 (μg dm<sup>-3</sup>);</li> </ol>	2. 'Greatest increase betwe 1 and 10' scores mp1 as well as mp2	
	3. idea of decrease between { 10/50 } and 200 (µg dm <sup>-3</sup> );		
	<ol> <li>shorter at 200 (μg dm<sup>-3</sup>) compared with 0 / eq;</li> </ol>		
	<ol> <li>idea of greatest {change / drop} between 100 and 200 (μg dm<sup>-3</sup>);</li> </ol>		
	6. credit correct manipulation of the data (e.g. change in length in µm calculated by subtraction), e.g. decreases by 76 µm between 100 and 200 µg dm <sup>-3</sup> ;	6. Other example  Conc. Difference change (µm)  0-1  0-1  1-1  10-50  - 10-200  -13  50-100  -2  100- 200  -7	
		0-200 -	(3)

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3(a) (iii)	mitosis / nuclear division / DNA synthesis ;		(1)

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3 *(b)	QWC– Spelling of technical terms must be correct and the answer must be organised in a logical sequence	QWC emphasis on logical sequence	
	idea that generative nucleus divides to form two male gametes;	1. CCEPT 'haploid' for 'male' and 'nuclei' for 'gametes'	
	2. by mitosis ;		
	<ol><li>pollen tube fuses with embryo sac / eq;</li></ol>		
	4. reference to double fertilisation;		
	<ol><li>(one) male { gamete / nucleus } fuses with egg (cell) <u>nucleus</u>;</li></ol>	5. NOT ov e	
	6. to produce diploid zygote;		
	<ol><li>other male nucleus fuses with two polar nuclei;</li></ol>	7. CCEPT fusion nucleus, NOT polar bodies	
	8. to produce triploid endosperm;		(4)

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3 (c)	<ol> <li>reference to both { independent / random } assortment and { crossing-over/chiasma(ta) } ;</li> <li>independent assortment gives rise</li> </ol>		
	to {new / different / eq} combinations of (paternal and maternal) chromosomes;		
	<ol> <li>crossing over involves swapping of {sections / eq} of {chromatids /chromosomes};</li> </ol>	3. N swapping genes ACCEPT new combinations of alleles (on a chromosome) / correct reference to	
		recombinants	(2)

Question	Answer	Mark
Number		
4 (a) (i)		
	as a comparison / as a control / to show that it is	(1)
	{incubation temperature / not some other factor}	
	affecting spindle fibre formation ;	

Question Number	Answer	Mark
4 (a) (ii)	<ol> <li>as temperature increases (from 25°C) to 33°C the number of cells showing spindle fibre formation increases / positive correlation between 25°C and 33°C;</li> <li>as temperature increases from 33°C (to 37°C) there is no effect on number of cells showing spindle fibre formation / same values at 33°C and 37°C;</li> <li>credit correct manipulation of the data e.g. with a</li> </ol>	
	rise in temperature of 5°C (between 28 and 33°C) the number of cells showing spindle formation rises by 3;	(2)

Question Number	Answer	Mark
4 (b) (i)	<ol> <li>idea that (only) 35°C statement is supported;</li> <li>idea that data either side of 35°C both show all 5 (cells undergoing spindle fibre formation);</li> </ol>	
	<ol> <li>idea that only from 33°C do all 5 (cells show spindle fibre formation);</li> </ol>	(2)

Question Number	Answer	Mark
4 (b) (ii)	<ol> <li>idea that 31°C statement may not be supported;</li> <li>idea that it could be between 2 and 5;</li> </ol>	(2)

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* 4 (c QWC	Take into account quality of written communication when awarding the following points.	
	Mark as pairs	
	<ol> <li>shape qualified e.g. hydrodynamic, streamlined;</li> <li>idea of reduced resistance;</li> </ol>	
	<ul><li>3. { acrosome / vesicle} containing { enzyme / acrosin};</li><li>4. involved in {digestion / break down} of the { zona pellucida / jelly layer};</li></ul>	
	<ul><li>5. { haploid / eq} nucleus ;</li><li>6. allows restoration of { diploid / full complement / 46 / eq} chromosomes at fertilisation ;</li></ul>	
	<ul><li>7. mitochondria qualified e.g. large number, correct location;</li><li>8. to supply {ATP / energy} for {movement / eq};</li></ul>	
	9. { flagellum / eq} present; 10. for propulsion / swimming / motility / eq;	
	<ul><li>11.{markers / receptors} in cell surface membrane;</li><li>12.to bind to egg cell surface membrane / detect chemicals released by ovum / eq;</li></ul>	
		(6)