

AS Level Biology A H020/02 Depth in biology

Question Set 14

1. Fig. 1 is a photomicrograph of a mammalian blood smear.

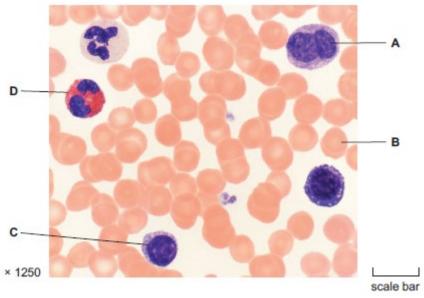


Fig. 1

(a) Calculate the image length, in μm , represented by the scale bar.

Give your answer to 2 significant figures.

length =
$$\mu$$
m [2]

(b) (i) Name the cell labelled B.

- [1]
- (ii) Cells A, C and D work together to carry out an important function.

State the function that cells **A**, **C** and **D** perform.

[1]

- (c) The smear has been stained with haematoxylin and eosin stain. This is a differential stain.
 - Haematoxylin stains nucleic acid blue.
 - Eosin stains protein (including cytoplasmic proteins) pink or red.
 - (i) Explain why it is important to use a differential stain when examining a blood smear under the microscope.

[3]

(ii) Using Fig. 1 and the information provided, suggest **and** explain why the cytoplasm of cell **C** and cell **D** reacted differently to the stain.

[4]

Total Marks for Question Set 14: 11



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