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#### Mark scheme abbreviations

; separates marking points

I alternative answers for the same point

R reject

A accept (for answers correctly cued by the question, or by extra guidance)

**AW** alternative wording (where responses vary more than usual)

<u>underline</u> actual word given must be used by candidate (grammatical variants accepted)

max indicates the maximum number of marks that can be given

**ora** or reverse argument

**mp** marking point (with relevant number)

ecf error carried forward

l ignore

**AVP** alternative valid point

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Question	Answer	Marks
1(a)	maintain / keep / restore, constant / stable / set-point / within narrow limits, internal environment / in body;	1
1(b)(i)	A – pelvis ; note if labelled medulla as affects ecf in part (ii)	2
	B – ureter;	
1(b)(ii)	A full labels instead of letters	3
	if region <b>A</b> (pelvis) was mislabelled as medulla in (i) can apply: <b>ecf</b> for <b>L</b> placed in pelvis <b>ecf U</b> placed in medulla <b>only if</b> word cortex also written by <b>U</b> /ultrafiltration	
	U – pointing to the cortex;	
	L – pointing to the medulla ;	
	C – pointing to the renal vein ;	

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1(c)	max 5 of: 1 hypothalamus detects (changes in) water potential (of the blood);	5
	2 <u>osmoreceptors</u> shrink when, low / less, water in <u>blood</u> ; <b>ora</b>	
	3 ADH, produced / made, in hypothalamus;	
	4 if low, water / Ψ, ADH secreted from <u>posterior pituitary</u> ; <b>ora R</b> ADH <i>produced</i> in posterior pituitary	
	5 ref. to neurosecretory cells or impulse / ADH transported, from hypothalamus to posterior pituitary;	
	6 aquaporins;	
	7 ADH increases permeability of, distal convoluted tubule / collecting duct; ora	
	8 ADH causes, more water reabsorption/smaller volume of urine/more concentrated urine; <b>ora A</b> both with and without ADH compared	

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2(a)	1 high/increased/better/not limiting, carbon dioxide/temperature/(named) mineral ions; I nutrients	2
	2 (from) coral / polyp, respiration / metabolism	
	for algae, Calvin cycle / light independent reactions; A correct use of mineral ions	
2(b)	max 4 of: 1 (paper / thin layer) chromatography / chromatogram;	4
	2 place spot of, extract / pigments, on pencil mark / at base of, paper / TLC plate;	
	3 dry and repeat (to concentrate spot);	
	4 dip, paper / chromatogram, in solvent / so solvent travels up paper ; A named organic solvent (I water) R if spot submerged	
	5 measure distance travelled by solvent (front) and pigment (spot);	
	6 (calculate) $R_f$ value = $\frac{\text{distance travelled by pigment}}{\text{distance travelled by solvent (front)}}$ ;	
	7 look up/compare results with, known $R_f$ values (to identify pigments);	
2(c)	max 3 of: 1 pigments absorb, violet-blue / 400-490 nm / lamp colours, well / best / most / at 8 out of 10 peaks;	3
	2 rate of photosynthesis of algae increases with more light absorbed;	
	3 coral growth (increases) with more (algal) photosynthesis; R products respond to give growth	
	4 chlorophyll a and peridinin are, most abundant pigments / most important;	
	5 AVP; e.g. violet-blue / 400–490 nm, predominate at the depths where corals live	

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3(a)	max 2 of: 1 can, kill / control, weeds; <b>R</b> kill, insects / pests	2
	2 reduce competition / increase yield (of rape);	
	3 AVP; e.g. manual weeding / hoeing, difficult / expensive ref. to glufosinate converted to non-toxic compound	
3(b)(i)	circle of / circular, DNA; I loop R single-stranded	2
	small / supplementary;	
3(b)(ii)	max 3 of: 1 small so can be taken up by, cells / bacteria;	3
	2 replicate, independently / fast; A have ori / origin of replication / high copy number	
	3 (DNA) has restriction site(s) / can be cut by restriction enzymes; A have polylinker	
	4 have, marker genes / genes for resistance (for screening);	
	5 AVP; e.g. circular so, increased stability / reduced host cell degradation	
3(b)(iii)	max 2 of: 1 RNA polymerase binds;	2
	2 so, transcription / mRNA synthesis, begins / occurs / allowed;	
	3 AVP; e.g. correct/template, strand is transcribed <i>ref. to</i> tissue-specific/inducible, expression	
3(c)(i)	28;	1

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3(c)(ii)	max 1 of: spray with herbicide and, those that die did not have the bar gene / those that survive did have the bar gene;	1
	add gene for fluorescence with <i>bar</i> gene and test plants under UV / use PCR with primer complementary to <i>bar</i> gene / use (gene) probe (on Southern blot) of electrophoresis gel;	
3(c)(iii)	max 3 of:	3
	advantage of male sterile GM variety  1 avoid transferring, bar/resistance, gene to wild, radish/relations; ora	
	2 avoid superweeds ; ora	
	3 avoid type 2 hybrids ; ora	
	disadvantage of <b>type 2 hybrids</b> (from GM variety that produces pollen) 4 taller (than wild radish); <b>A</b> very tall / 88 cm / 95 cm	
	5 produce, more / many, seeds (than wild radish); <b>A</b> 3958 / 443 more	
	6 may (out)compete, wild radish / crops;	

Question		,	Answer		Marks
4(a)					2
,		stage of respiration	ATP used	ATP produced	
		glycolysis	yes	yes	
		link reaction	no	no	
		Krebs cycle	no	yes	
		oxidative phosphorylation	no	yes	
	4 correct = 2 marks, 2 or 3 If ticks and crosses used i	3 rows correct = 1 mark need all 4 correct for maximum	1 mark	;;	

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4(b)	max 5 of:	5
	group <b>A</b> (accept ora for group <b>B</b> throughout) <b>accept</b> 'they' = group <b>A</b> 1 higher ratio;	
	2 larger / more, inner membrane / cristae (than B);	
	3 more, ETCs / cytochromes / ATP synth(et)ase / stalked particles; <b>I</b> ATPase	
	4 oxidative phosphorylation;	
	5 more ATP produced;	
	6 <u>muscles</u> can contract for, longer/more time/without getting tired; <b>I</b> exercise longer <b>I</b> muscles contract faster	
	7 AVP; e.g. chemiosmosis or detail thereof: H <sup>+</sup> move, down gradient / through ATP synth(et)ase <b>I</b> ATPase	
	If <b>B</b> and <b>A</b> switched round penalise once only	

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5(a)	<b>A</b> all figures $\pm$ 1% <b>I</b> increase or decrease 'by x%' when difference from start time to end calculated	4
	max 4 of: 1 decrease in daisies <b>and</b> normal poppies, overall / in 6 years / after 1999–2000;	
	2 (decrease in, daisies / normal poppies) from 50% to 15%;	
	3 increase in poppy biotype X from 1% to 70%;	
	4 increase in, total / combined, poppies from 52% to 85%;	
	5 daisies and normal red poppies are <b>always</b> equal in % frequency; <b>A</b> remain equal	
	6 steep / huge / dramatic, decrease in daisies and normal red poppy after 2001	
	or increase in X, is steeper after 2001 ;	
5(b)(i)	max 3 of: 1 change in primary structure;	3
	2 change in, tertiary / 3D / globular, structure;	
	3 <u>active site</u> , binds substrate / forms ESC;	
	4 metsulfuron-methyl does not, inhibit/bind to, enzyme;	
	5 enzyme, functions / forms amino acids;	

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5(b)(iii)	max 3 of:	3
	in 2003 (compared to 1998)  1 more, weeds / poppies, <b>and</b> less wheat / higher proportion of weeds in wheat ; <b>I</b> wheat yield	
	2 most weeds are now, poppy biotype X / resistant to herbicide;	
	3 poppy biotype X, not killed by / resistant to herbicide;	
	4 wheat have, more competition for/less access to, space/light/water/minerals; I nutrients	
5(c)	max 3 of: 1 (biotype X) poppies, die / do not survive / do not breed;	3
	2 their, numbers / abundance. would decrease;	
	3 selection pressure, removed / changed / new;	
	4 (biotype X) mutant / resistance, <u>allele</u> no longer, advantageous / selected for / passed on;	
	5 possibility of beneficial mutation in gene for different enzyme or	
	could adapt / evolve resistance, to new herbicide; <b>R</b> if new herbicide causes mutation	

Question	Answer	Marks
6(a)(i)	max 2 of: 1 tropomyosin / it, covers / uncovers, myosin binding sites on actin; <b>R</b> inhibits <b>R</b> active site	2
	2 when calcium ions bind to troponin, tropomyosin / it, moves / changes shape;	
	3 allows myosin to, bind to actin / form cross-bridges; ora	

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6(a)(ii)	max 4 of: 1 ATP hydrolysis / ATP → ADP + Pi;	4
	2 (causes myosin) head to, pivot/rotate/tilt/stand up;	
	3 myosin / head, binds to actin / forms cross-bridges with actin; R active site	
	4 ADP and Pi detach;	
	5 (myosin) head, swings back / returns to previous position;	
	6 actin is moved / power stroke occurs;	
	7 (new) ATP binds;	
	8 myosin / head, detaches from actin / cross-bridges break;	
	A mps in any order apart from 1, 4 and 7 which must be linked to correct action	
6(b)(i)	max 2 of: 1 to, supply / provide, (enough / plenty of) glucose;	2
	2 for <u>glycolysis</u> ;	
	3 as little ATP is produced by anaerobic respiration;	
	4 as few capillaries are present (to supply glucose directly);	
6(b)(ii)	max 2 of: 1 to, supply / provide, (enough / plenty of) oxygen;	2
	2 aerobic respiration / oxidative phosphorylation;	
	3 to remove, carbon dioxide / lactate; A lactic acid	
	4 to, avoid fatigue <b>or</b> promote, stamina / endurance (for exercise / work);	

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7(a)	Aabb – pink ;	2
	aaBB - green;	
7(b)	1 parents phenotypes red green ;	5
	2 gametes AB Ab aB ab × ab;	
	3 offspring genotypes AaBb Aabb aabb;	
	4 offspring phenotypes red spines pink spines green spines green spines ; (must be linked)	
	5 ratio 1 : 1 : 2;	
	ecf mp 3 derived from incorrect 2 mp 4 matching incorrect 3 mp 5 matching incorrect 4	
7(c)	max 2 of: 1 genes would be, linked / inherited together;	2
	2 no independent assortment;	
	3 ratio 1:1 / only two classes (of phenotypes); A red and green or pink and green	
	4 rare cross-over events / recombination (gives small numbers of third phenotype);	

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8(a)	max 4 of: 1 different habitats;	4
	2 different <u>niches</u> ;	
	3 many (different) species / large variety of species;	
	4 ref. to (much) genetic diversity within a species;	
	5 different selection pressures;	
	6 ref. to adaptation;	
	7 different, climate / rainfall / temperature / soil / topography / conditions;	
8(b)(i)	both sites are the same / no (significant) difference between two sites;	1
8(b)(ii)	genera 2 and species 4;	1

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Question		Answe	er		Marks
8(b)(iii)	all figures to 3 d.p. to score but only penalise extra d.p. or rounding error associated with extra d.p. once			3	
	species	number on grassland not grazed	n/N	(n/N)²	
	Onthophagus pennsylvanicus	6641	<u>0.873</u>	0.762	
	Canthon ebenus	774	0.102	0.010	
	Canthon pilularius	108	0.014	0.000	
	Onthophagus hecate	85	0.011	0.000	
	total	7608		0.772	
	$n/N$ figures correct/numbers of each species divided by total; $(n/N)^2$ calculated and added up; <b>ecf</b> from incorrect column 1 including figures with fewer/more than 3 d.p. 0.228; <b>ecf</b> total figure subtracted from 1				
8(b)(iv)	greater species evenness on grazed grassland; ora A mostly, one species / O. pennsylvanicus, on not grazed			2	
	grazing increases (dung beetle species) (bio)diversity; ora				
	if opposite conclusion reached ch	neck answer for (iii) and apply e	ecf for mp2 if D > 0.521		

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9(a)	max 8 of:  1 stick has, pad containing / immobilised, enzymes;	8
	2 glucose oxidase ;	
	3 peroxidase;	
	4 stick dipped in urine; <b>A</b> person, urinates / AW, on stick	
	5 glucose reacts to give hydrogen peroxide;	
	6 (hydrogen peroxide reacts with) colourless substance / chromogen; R dye / pigment	
	7 to give, colour change / coloured substance; A change to any named colour	
	8 compare with colour chart;	
	9 more glucose gives darker colour ;	
	10 specific / only detects glucose;	
	11 AVP; e.g. does not give current <u>blood</u> glucose concentration not numerical	

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9(b)	max 7 of: high blood glucose concentration 1 detected by β cells ; <b>I</b> alpha cells <b>I</b> receptors	7
	2 in, islets of Langerhans / pancreas ;	
	3 (more) insulin secreted ; <b>I</b> produced	
	4 into blood;	
	5 increases glucose absorption in liver (by phosphorylating glucose);	
	6 increases permeability to glucose in, muscle / fat, cells <b>or</b> adds GLUT 4 proteins to cell surface membranes of, muscle / fat, cells ;	
	7 increases (rate of) respiration of glucose;	
	8 conversion of glucose to glycogen / glycogenesis;	
	9 inhibits secretion of <u>glucagon</u> / decreases <u>gluconeogenesis</u> ;	
	10 negative feedback;	

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10(a)	max 6 of: 1 dendrites (lead to cell body); <b>R</b> at both ends	6
	2 nucleus in, cell body / soma; R if cell body not at one end	
	3 many mitochondria (in cell body);	
	4 much RER / Nissl's granules (in cell body);	
	5 long/one, axon; <b>A</b> an axon	
	6 synaptic, knobs / termini / boutons, at end furthest from cell body;	
	7 Schwann cells / myelin ;	
	8 nodes of Ranvier ;	
	accept points on labelled diagram	

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10(b)	max 9 of:  1 Na <sup>+</sup> / sodium ion, channels open ; <b>I</b> ligand or voltage gated	9
	2 Na <sup>+</sup> enters, cell / axon ; <b>A</b> Na ions / sodium ions	
	3 inside / p.d., becomes, less negative / positive / +40 mV or	
	causes depolarisation (in correct context);	
	4 Na <sup>+</sup> /sodium ion, channels close ; <b>ecf</b> from mp1 <b>I</b> ligand or voltage-gated	
	5 K <sup>+</sup> /potassium ion, channels open ; <b>ecf</b> from mp1 <b>I</b> ligand or voltage-gated	
	6 K <sup>+</sup> moves out (of cell) ; <b>A</b> K ions / potassium ions	
	7 inside / p.d., becomes negative / <b>A</b> negative figure <b>or</b>	
	causes repolarisation (in correct context);	
	8 <u>local circuits</u> ;	
	9 myelin (sheath) / Schwann cells, insulate / prevent ion movement;	
	10 action potential / depolarisation, only at, nodes (of Ranvier);	
	11 saltatory conduction / action potential jumps from node to node; <b>A</b> impulse for AP	
	12 one-way / unidirectional, transmission;	
	13 AVP; e.g. hyperpolarisation / refractory period	

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