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Mark scheme abbreviations

; separates marking points

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 A (pelvis) was mislabelled as medulla in (i) can apply: ecf for L placed in pelvis ecf U placed in medulla only if word cortex also written by U /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> ; ora	
	3 ADH, produced / made, in hypothalamus;	
	4 if low, water / Ψ, ADH secreted from <u>posterior pituitary</u> ; ora R 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 <u>permeability</u> of, distal convoluted tubule / collecting duct; ora	
	ADH causes, more water reabsorption/smaller volume of urine/more concentrated urine; ora A 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 $R_{\rm f}$ 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; R 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 ref. to tissue-specific/inducible, expression	
3(c)(i)	28;	1

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Question	Answer	Marks
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 type 2 hybrids (from GM variety that produces pollen) 4 taller (than wild radish); A very tall / 88 cm / 95 cm	
	5 produce, more / many, seeds (than wild radish); A 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 A (accept ora for group B throughout) accept 'they' = group A 1 higher ratio;	
	2 larger/more, inner membrane/cristae (than B);	
	3 more, ETCs / cytochromes / ATP synth(et)ase / stalked particles; I ATPase	
	4 oxidative phosphorylation;	
	5 more ATP produced;	
	6 <u>muscles</u> can contract for, longer/more time/without getting tired; I exercise longer I muscles contract faster	
	7 AVP; e.g. chemiosmosis or detail thereof: H+ move, down gradient / through ATP synth(et)ase I ATPase	
	If B and A switched round penalise once only	

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5(a)	A all figures \pm 1% I increase or decrease 'by x%' when difference from start time to end calculated	4
	max 4 of: 1 decrease in daisies and 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 always equal in % frequency; A 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, and less wheat / higher proportion of weeds in wheat; I wheat yield	
	2 most weeds are now, poppy biotype X / resistant to herbicide;	
	3 poppy biotype X, not killed by / resistant to herbicide;	
	4 <u>wheat</u> 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; R if new herbicide causes mutation	

Question	Answer	Marks
6(a)(i)	max 2 of: 1 tropomyosin / it, covers / uncovers, myosin binding sites on actin; R inhibits R 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) <u>head</u> , 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 glycolysis;	
	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 or 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 niches;	
	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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8(b)(iii)	all figures to 3 d.p. to score but o	nly penalise extra d.p. or rou	nding error associated with ex	ktra d.p. once	3
	species	number on grassland not grazed	n/N	(n/N)²	
	Onthophagus pennsylvanicus	6641	0.873	0.762	
	Canthon ebenus	774	<u>0.102</u>	0.010	
	Canthon pilularius	108	<u>0.014</u>	0.000	
	Onthophagus hecate	85	<u>0.011</u>	0.000	
	total	7608		0.772	
	n/N figures correct / numbers of $(n/N)^2$ calculated and added up : 0.228; ecf total figure subtracted	; ecf from incorrect column 1		more than 3 d.p.	
8(b)(iv)	greater species evenness on gra	zed grassland ; ora A mostly	, one species / O. pennsylvan	icus, on not grazed	2
	grazing increases (dung beetle s	pecies) (bio)diversity; ora			

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if opposite conclusion reached check answer for (iii) and apply 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; A 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 ; I alpha cells I receptors	7
	2 in, islets of Langerhans / pancreas;	
	3 (more) insulin secreted ; I produced	
	4 into blood;	
	5 increases glucose absorption in liver (by phosphorylating glucose);	
	6 increases permeability to glucose in, muscle / fat, cells or adds GLUT 4 proteins to cell surface membranes of, muscle / fat, cells;	
	7 increases (rate of) respiration of glucose;	
	8 conversion of glucose to <u>glycogen</u> / <u>glycogenesis</u> ;	
	9 inhibits secretion of <u>glucagon</u> / decreases <u>gluconeogenesis</u> ;	
	10 <u>negative feedback</u> ;	

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10(a)	max 6 of: 1 dendrites (lead to cell body); R 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; A 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 ⁺ / sodium ion, channels open ; I ligand or voltage gated	9
	2 Na ⁺ enters, cell / axon ; A Na ions / sodium ions	
	3 inside / p.d., becomes, less negative / positive / +40 mV or	
	causes depolarisation (in correct context);	
	4 Na ⁺ /sodium ion, channels close ; ecf from mp1 I ligand or voltage-gated	
	5 K ⁺ /potassium ion, channels open ; ecf from mp1 I ligand or voltage-gated	
	6 K ⁺ moves out (of cell) ; A K ions / potassium ions	
	7 inside / p.d., becomes negative / A negative figure or	
	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; A impulse for AP	
	12 one-way / unidirectional, transmission;	
	13 AVP; e.g. hyperpolarisation / refractory period	

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