

Answer ALL questions.

Some questions must be answered with a cross . If you change your mind about an answer, put a line through the box and then mark your new answer with a cross .

- 1 During the cardiac cycle, muscles in the atria and ventricles contract and relax.
- (a) The table below shows the pressures in the aorta, left atrium and left ventricle at three different times, **P**, **Q** and **R**, in the cardiac cycle.

Time in the cardiac cycle	Pressure / kPa		
	Aorta	Left atrium	Left ventricle
P	9.0	4.0	2.5
Q	10	0.5	0
R	12.5	0.5	12.5

- (i) Put a cross () in the box to complete the following sentence.

At time **Q**, the heart is

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- A** hypertensive
- B** in atrial systole
- C** in diastole
- D** in ventricular systole

- (ii) Put a cross () in the box next to the row in the table that correctly describes the heart valves at time **P**.

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	Atrioventricular valves	Semilunar valves
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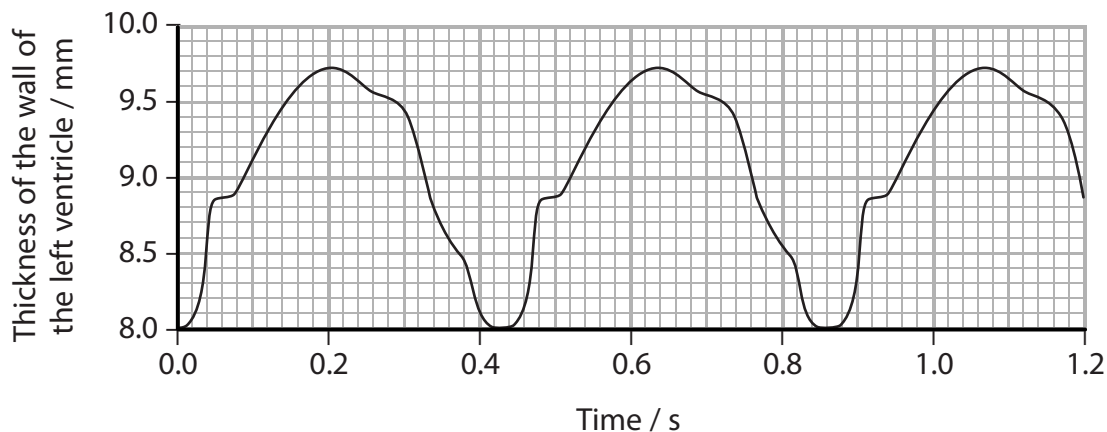
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(b) The graph below shows the change in thickness of the wall of the left ventricle during the cardiac cycle.



(i) Using the information in the graph, calculate the heart rate in beats per minute.

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(ii) Name the blood vessel through which blood leaves the left ventricle.

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(c) Explain why many animals need a heart.

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2 All living organisms need to exchange gases with their environment.

(a) Explain how a concentration gradient is maintained through gas exchange surfaces in human lungs.

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3 Lipids are transported in the blood as lipoproteins.

(a) The table below shows some information about lipoproteins.

Type of lipoprotein	Density / g cm^{-3}	Protein (%)	Triglyceride (%)	Cholesterol (%)	Phospholipids (%)
chylomicron	< 0.95	1–2	85–88	1	8
VLDL	0.98	5–12	50–55	8–10	8–10
IDL	1.00	10–12	24–30	8–10	25–27
LDL	1.04	20–22	10–15	8–10	20–28
HDL	1.12	55	3–15	2–10	26–46

Put a cross (☒) in the box that completes each of the following sentences.

(i) The density of lipoproteins is inversely proportional to the percentage of

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- A cholesterol
- B phospholipid
- C protein
- D triglyceride

(ii) The density of HDL is

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- A 1.12% less than IDL
- B 1.12% more than IDL
- C 12% less than IDL
- D 12% more than IDL

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- (b) The table below shows the incidence of cardiovascular disease (CVD) for groups of people with different blood cholesterol concentrations and systolic blood pressures.

Systolic blood pressure / kPa	Incidence of CVD per 100 000		
	Blood cholesterol concentration / mg 100 cm ⁻³		
	<200	200–239	>239
<17.3	222	780	1676
17.3 to 18.5	556	1139	2123
18.6 to 21.2	716	2221	3841
>21.2	3926	7349	8212

- (i) Using the information in the table, describe the relationship between systolic blood pressure, blood cholesterol concentration and the incidence of CVD.

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4 Blood plasma contains many different proteins.

The table below shows information about proteins found in blood plasma.

Protein	Concentration in blood plasma / g dm ⁻³
albumin	40
globulins	25
fibrinogen	3
all other proteins	2

(a) Describe how amino acids join together to form proteins.

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(b) Fibrinogen is the third most abundant type of protein in blood plasma.

(i) Using the information in the table, calculate the percentage of blood plasma protein that is fibrinogen.

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(ii) Describe the role of fibrinogen in the blood clotting process.

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(c) Albumin is a soluble protein.

Describe how this property is related to the primary structure of albumin.

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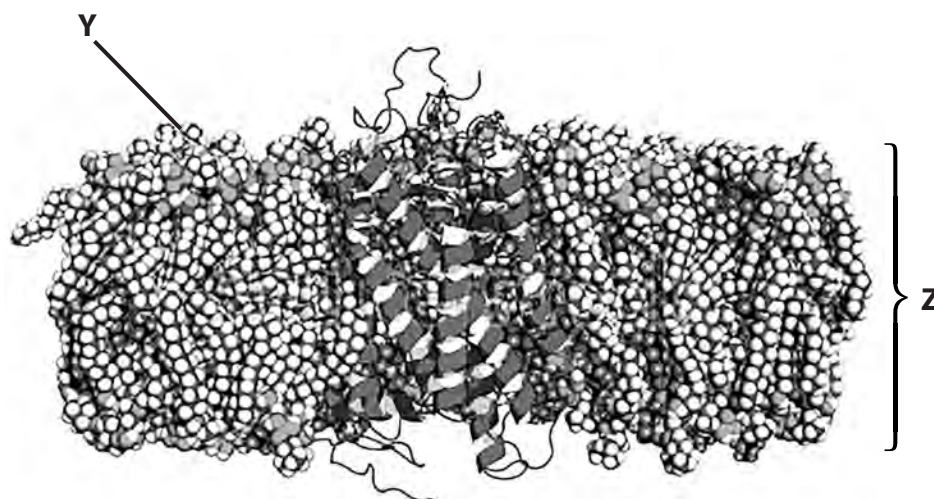
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5 All cells are surrounded by a cell membrane.

The diagram below shows a model of a section through a muscle cell membrane.



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(a) Put a cross () in the box that completes each of the following sentences.

(i) The surface of this membrane, labelled **Y**, is occupied by

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- A** hydrophilic fatty acid chains
- B** hydrophilic phosphate groups
- C** hydrophobic fatty acid chains
- D** hydrophobic phosphate groups

(ii) The model represents a membrane with a thickness (**Z**) of

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- A** 4 mm
- B** 4 nm
- C** 10 mm
- D** 10 nm



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- (b) One role of cell membranes is to control the movement of substances into and out of cells.

The table below shows the concentrations of some substances inside the muscle cells and outside the muscle cells in the extracellular fluid.

Substance	Nature of the substance	Concentration inside the cells / mmol dm^{-3}	Concentration outside the cells / mmol dm^{-3}
oxygen	small non-polar molecule	11.0×10^{-6}	37.0×10^{-6}
potassium	small ion	120.0	4.5
glucose	large polar molecule	0.1	10.0

Use the information in the table to answer each of the following.

- (i) Explain how oxygen enters a muscle cell.

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- (ii) Explain why the movement of potassium ions into a muscle cell requires ATP.

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(iii) Explain how glucose moves into a muscle cell.

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6 Spinal muscular atrophy is a genetic condition caused by a mutation in the SMN1 gene.

(a) The diagram below shows part of the genetic code for the SMN1 gene.

A	G	T	G	G	C	T	A	T	C	A	T
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(i) Explain what is meant by the term **gene**.

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(ii) Put a cross (☒) in the box to complete the following sentence.

The maximum number of amino acids coded for by this part of the SMN1 gene is

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- A 3
- B 4
- C 6
- D 12

(iii) **One** of the adenine bases (A) is replaced by guanine (G) in a mutation of the SMN1 gene sequence shown.

Put a cross (☒) in the box next to the mRNA sequence produced from this mutation.

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- A T C U C C G U C U G T U
- B T C U C C G U T U G T U
- C U C A C C G A C A G U A
- D U C A C C G A U A G U A

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(b) Spinal muscular atrophy (SMA) is a recessive condition.

Two people, unaffected by SMA, would like to have children.

One of these people has a family history of SMA, the other does not.

(i) Using genetic diagrams, explain how you could determine the probability of these people having a child who is a carrier for SMA.

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(ii) Name the prenatal test that uses cells removed from the placenta to screen for the presence of SMA.

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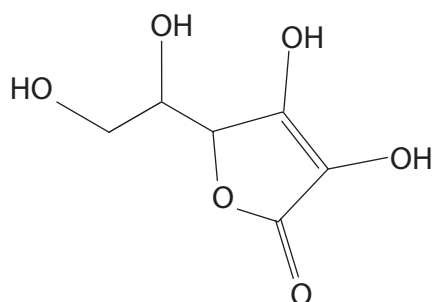
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7 Vitamin C is soluble in water.

(a) The diagram below shows the structure of vitamin C.



Using the information in the diagram, suggest why vitamin C is soluble in water.

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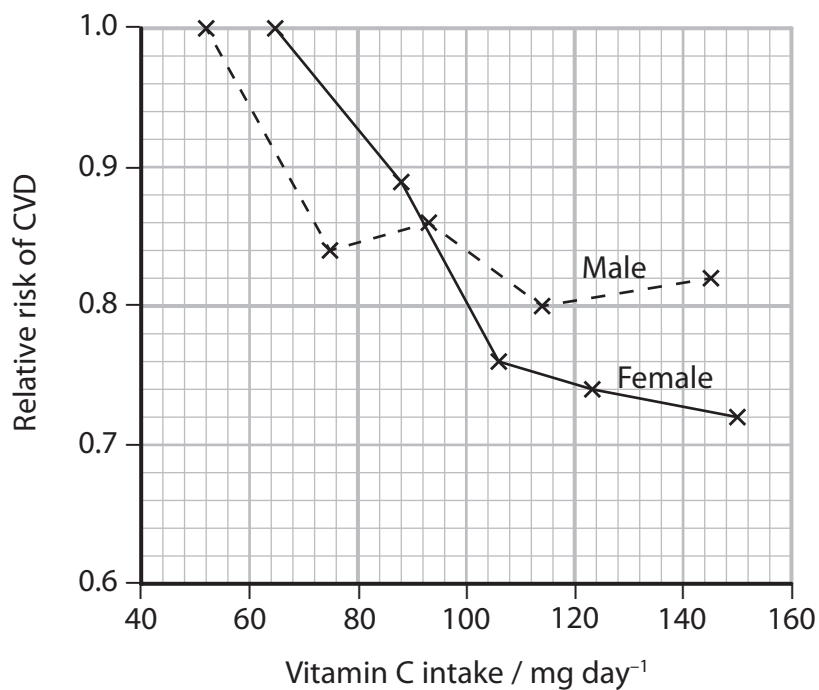
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- (b) The relationship between vitamin C in the diet and the relative risk of cardiovascular disease (CVD) has been investigated.

The graph below shows the results of one investigation.



Compare the relationship between vitamin C intake and the relative risk of CVD in men and women.

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8 Glucose is stored in muscle cells as glycogen.

(a) Describe how glycogen is formed from glucose.

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(b) Explain why energy is stored in the form of glycogen in muscle cells.

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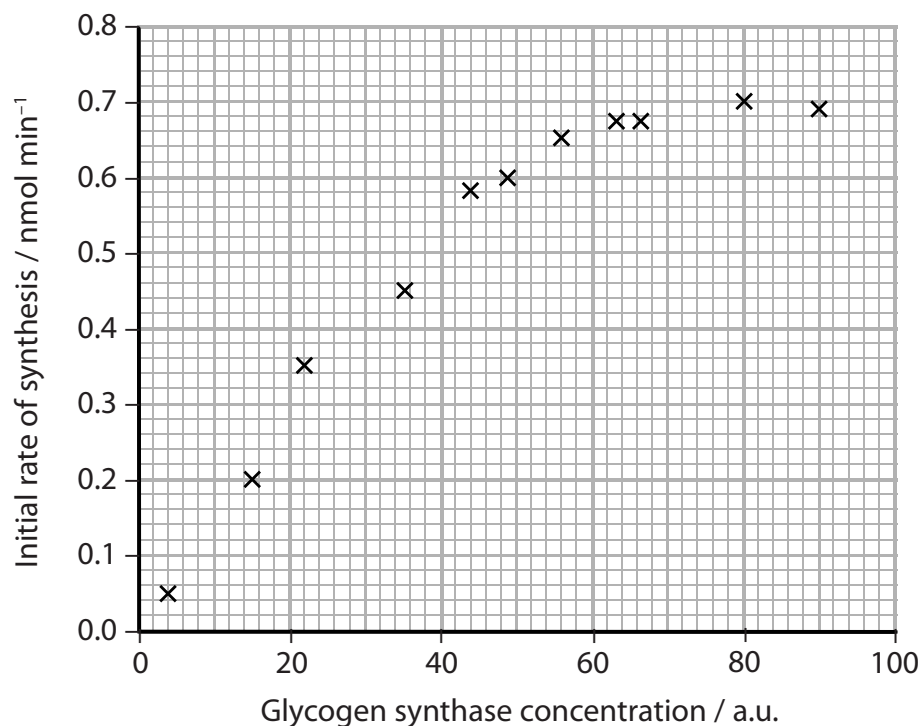
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(c) Glycogen synthase is an enzyme involved in the formation of glycogen in muscle cells.

The graph below shows the results from an investigation into the effect of glycogen synthase concentration on the initial rate of synthesis of glycogen.



(i) Using the information in the graph, describe the effect of glycogen synthase concentration on the initial rate of glycogen synthesis.

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