

**GCE** 

# **Biology A**

Unit H420/01: Biological purposes

Advanced GCE

Mark Scheme for June 2018

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### **Annotations**

Annotation	Meaning
DO NOT ALLOW	Answers which are not worthy of credit
IGNORE	Statements which are irrelevant
ALLOW	Answers that can be accepted
()	Words which are not essential to gain credit
_	Underlined words must be present in answer to score a mark
ECF	Error carried forward
AW	Alternative wording
ORA	Or reverse argument

#### **Subject-specific Marking Instructions**

#### **INTRODUCTION**

Your first task as an Examiner is to become thoroughly familiar with the material on which the examination depends. This material includes:

- the specification, especially the assessment objectives
- the question paper
- the mark scheme.

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### Section A

Question	Answer	Marks	Guidance
1	A✓	1	
2	B✓	1	
3	A✓	1	
4	D✓	1	ALLOW A
5	B✓	1	
6	D✓	1	
7	B✓	1	
8	C✓	1	
9	C✓	1	
10	C✓	1	
11	D✓	1	
12	C✓	1	
13	D✓	1	
14	C✓	1	
15	C ✓	1	
	Total	15	

### Section B

Q	uestio	n	Answer	Marks	Guidance
16	(a)	(i)	(Type) 2 / II / two ✓	2 max	ALLOW it is diabetes mellitus not diabetes insipidus ALLOW late onset
			explanation: insulin is (still) produced ✓ beta / β , cells still working ✓  idea that (liver) cells no longer respond to insulin ✓ fewer / damaged , (insulin) receptors ✓  if it was Type I then the woman would not produce (normal levels of) insulin ✓		1 mark max for explanation  DO NOT ALLOW B / b , cells  ALLOW (develop) insulin resistance ALLOW (insulin) receptors not working
		(ii)		2 max	List Rule If both prompt lines used and more than one suggestion is on the line mark the first one on each line. If only one line used but there is more than one suggestion listed mark first two written.
			low , carbohydrate / sugar , diet ✓  exercise ✓ manage weight (gain) ✓ drugs to control glucose levels ✓		ALLOW regulate / control / reduce , for "low" ALLOW named sugar / starch IGNORE low fat / healthy / balanced / low "carb" , diet ALLOW example of exercise e.g. walking ALLOW named drug e.g. metformin ALLOW ref to injecting insulin
	(b)	(i)	liver (tissue) ✓	1	ALLOW hepatic (tissue) IGNORE hepatocytes / cells IGNORE muscle

Question	Answer	Marks	Guidance
(ii)	(glucose) for respiration / as respiratory substrate / to release energy ✓ to produce ATP ✓  ATP needed (in muscle contraction) for breaking cross-bridges between myosin and actin / AW ✓ ATP , hydrolysed / to ADP and Pi , to reset myosin heads ✓  ATP for active transport of calcium ions (back) into sarcoplasmic reticulum ✓	3 max	DO NOT ALLOW produce energy  ALLOW ATP needed for myosin to detach from actin  ALLOW ATP hydrolysed for myosin to resume normal position  IGNORE power-stroke
(c)	use of data from Fig.16.1: calculated rate of oxygen uptake between 0.010 and 0.018 (dm³ s⁻¹) ✓ calculated reduction in rate of oxygen uptake between 10 and 50% ✓  supporting statements: (claim is) correct / incorrect  AND	3 max	ALLOW MP 1 as a percentage i.e calculated value between 50 and 90% (of mean uptake)  Supporting statements MUST match evidence from calculation e.g. statement is incorrect because my calculation
	a comparison of calculated rate with , 20% statement / mean uptake / 0.020 (dm³ s⁻¹) ✓  validity statements: one , woman / reading , is not enough (for a valid conclusion) ✓ (being) 36 weeks pregnant / late pregnancy , is not representative of whole pregnancy / AW ✓		showed reduction of 40% which is higher than 20% If calculation in MP1 or MP2 is incorrect MP3 can still be awarded using calculation in response.  ALLOW only one woman tested
	Total	11	

Que	stion		Answer	Marks	Guidance
17	(a)	(i)	(pigments) absorb , light / photons ✓ electrons , excited / raised to higher energy level ✓	4 max	
			accessory pigments pass energy to , reaction centres / primary pigments ✓ primary pigments , become oxidised / lose electrons / pass electrons to ETC ✓		ALLOW named accessory pigments e.g. chlorophyll b / xanthophyll / carotenoids ALLOW chlorophyll a for primary pigment
			for light dependent reaction / photophosphorylation ✓		ALLOW for making , ATP / reduced NADP
		(ii)	idea that they have to absorb light of short (er) wavelengths ✓	1 max	ALLOW blue / blue-violet light ALLOW wavelengths between 400 and 500nm ALLOW high(er) frequency
			idea that some wavelengths (of light) don't reach , depths / them ✓		e.g. some wavelengths of light may not reach Chromista if they are in deep water
	(b)		Chromista (chloroplast) has fewer thylakoids ✓	2 max	IGNORE reference to external membrane ALLOW plants (chloroplasts) have more thylakoids
			Chromista (chloroplast) has no , inter-granal lamellae / lamellae between thylakoids ✓		<b>ALLOW</b> plant (chloroplasts) have lamellae between thylakoids
			plants (chloroplasts) have thylakoids in groups of more than three ✓		ALLOW thylakoids in plant (chloroplasts) form grana IGNORE Chromista (chloroplast) has thylakoids in groups of three
			plants (chloroplasts) have starch grains / <i>Chromista</i> (chloroplast) does not have starch grains ✓		9.5425.455

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Question	stion Answer		Guidance
(c) (i)	(i)		IGNORE stability for explanations
	<pre>property hydrophobic (region / fatty acid tails) ✓ explanation (helps to) form bilayer / separates two aqueous regions ✓  property (region) contains cholesterol ✓ explanation regulates (membrane) fluidity / AW✓</pre>		property MUST be linked to its explanation
(c) (ii)	compartmentalisation OR form / surround , (named) organelles ✓  purpose of / need for , compartments / separation ✓  sites of , chemical reactions / electron carriers /	2 max	e.g. separating organelles from cytoplasm  e.g. form vesicles for transport is MP1 and MP2  ALLOW ETC for electron carriers  ALLOW correctly named enzyme e.g. ATP synthase
	Total	11	

Question	Answer	Marks	Guidance
18	In summary: Read through the whole answer. (Be prepared to recognise Using a 'best-fit' approach based on the science content of to or Level 3, best describes the overall quality of the answer. Then, award the higher or lower mark within the level, according award the higher mark where the Communication States award the lower mark where aspects of the Communication	the answe ding to the tement ha	er, first decide which of the level descriptors, Level 1, Level 2 te Communication Statement (shown in italics): as been met.
	The science content determines the level.		
	The Communication Statement determines the m	ark with	in a level.
(a)*	Level 3 (5–6 marks) Full and detailed plan of how to carry out a valid investigation into the rate of transpiration.  There is a well-developed plan and sequence as well as an appreciation of the need to obtain valid data. The information presented is relevant and clearly explained.  Level 2 (3–4 marks) Detailed plan of how to carry out a valid investigation into the rate of transpiration.  There is a reasonable explanation and sequence as well as an appreciation of the need to obtain valid data. The information presented is in the most-part relevant and well-explained.  Level 1 (1–2 marks) Response is aware of how to plan a valid investigation.  The information is basic and communicated in an unstructured way. The information is supported by limited method which may be unclear.	6	Indicative scientific points may include IGNORE potometer set up detail These are not mark points See appendix Method and planning to obtain valid data  • method described  • movement of bubble in potometer / mass measured  • timing distance travelled by bubble  • repeating investigation with two different plant species  • repetition to gain replicates  • calculation (rate / mean)  • statistical test  Variables  • named variables controlled  e.g. temperature  humidity light  wind movement  surface area of leaves

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	0 marks No response worthy of credit NR No response		how variables are controlled
(b)	insoluble ✓ unreactive / inert ✓ high tensile strength ✓ flexible ✓ can form hydrogen bonds with neighbouring chains ✓	3 max	List Rule If all three prompt lines used and more than one property is on prompt line mark the first one on each line. If only one or two lines used but there is more than one property listed mark the first three properties given. IGNORE detail about structure or cell walls  IGNORE permeable IGNORE rigid IGNORE strong
(c)	extracellular AND  (it) takes place outside of cells / cellulose cannot enter (bacterial) cells ✓	1 max	ALLOW enzymes must , leave / be secreted from , (bacterial) cells IGNORE 'excrete'
	Total	10	

C	uestion		Answer	,	Marks	Guidance
19	(a)	Conus	Diet	Justification	3	DO NOT ALLOW all three substrates for <i>Melophorus</i> ALLOW amino acids for protein for <i>Melophorus</i>
		Genus Camponotus	mainly carbohydrate	(RQ is) 1.0		ALLOW fat / oil / triglyceride / fatty acid for lipid for Cataglyphis
		Melophorus	protein OR lipid <u>and</u> carbohydrate	(RQ is) 0.9		ALLOW THREE marks for correctly completed table ALLOW RQs to greater number of sig.figs. e.g. 1.01 / 0.89 / 0.687
		Cataglyphis	lipid	(RQ is) 0.7		If <b>Rf or RV</b> is stated instead of RQ allow <b>max 1</b> for <b>justification</b> column
						ALLOW TWO marks for all correctly calculated RQ values in justification column / on Fig.19.1 OR ALLOW TWO marks for: correct two responses in diet column AND for correct three justifications written in words i.e. Camponotus – CO <sub>2</sub> produced is , similar / equal to O <sub>2</sub> consumed Melophorus - CO <sub>2</sub> produced is 0.07 less than O <sub>2</sub> consumed Cataglyphis - CO <sub>2</sub> produced is 0.46 less than O <sub>2</sub> consumed
						If RQ values have not been calculated or are incorrect
						ALLOW ONE mark for correct diet column OR
						correct <b>justification</b> column written in words  OR  two correct RQ values

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19 (b)	Similarities  Any two from:  polymers / polysaccharides ✓  have , 6 carbon / C6 , sugars ✓  have 1-4 glycosidic bonds ✓  have CH₂OH side group (in monomers) ✓	4 max	ALLOW have hexose(s)
	Differences Any two from: chitin has β-glycosidic bonds ✓ chitin contains , nitrogen / N / amide / NH-CO-CH₃ ✓ no 1-6 glycosidic bonds in chitin ✓ no branching in chitin ✓		ALLOW glycogen has α-glycosidic bonds ALLOW ORA for glycogen ALLOW ORA for glycogen ALLOW ORA for glycogen
	In summary: Read through the whole answer. (Be prepared to recognis Using a 'best-fit' approach based on the science content of 2 or Level 3, best describes the overall quality of the answord then, award the higher or lower mark within the level, accompared to award the higher mark where the Communication Statement of the Communication Statement determines the level.  The Communication Statement determines the	of the answ ver. ording to t tatement h nication St	ver, first decide which of the level descriptors, <b>Level 1</b> , <b>Level</b> the <b>Communication Statement</b> (shown in italics): the as been met. that the statement have been missed.
*(c)	Level 3 (5–6 marks)  Full and detailed description of the processes involved in chemiosmosis. Learner demonstrates a detailed understanding of where it occurs, the stages, reactants and products, describing a range of the processes	6	Indicative scientific points may include These are not mark points See appendix  occurs in mitochondria / on membrane

Question	Answer	Marks	Guidance
	Level 2 (3–4 marks) Detailed description of the processes involved in chemiosmosis. Learner demonstrates understanding of the where it occurs, stages, reactants and products, describing some of the processes involved.  There is a line of reasoning with accurate descriptions of the processes. The information presented is in the mostpart relevant and supported by some detail.  Level 1 (1–2 marks) A description of the processes involved in chemiosmosis is attempted, with some understanding of the different stages, reactants and products.  The information is basic and communicated in an unstructured way. The information is supported by limited detail which may be unclear.  O marks No response or no response worthy of credit.  NR No response		across membrane into intermembrane space Proton / H+ gradient created proton-motive force H <sup>+</sup> ions pass through hydrophilic transmembrane protein cristae / stalked particles involved ATP synthase produces ATP from ADP + P <sub>i</sub> H <sup>+</sup> ions move from area of high concentration to low concentration Some H <sup>+</sup> ions leak back into matrix / process is not completely efficient
	Total	13	

Q	uestic	n	Answer	Marks	Guidance
20	(a)	(i)	3 <b>OR</b> 2 √ 5 √ 2 √	3	
		(ii)	variety / type / age / colour, of beetroot ✓ length / surface area / volume , of beetroot pieces ✓ pieces taken from same part of beetroot / skin removed from beetroot ✓  time taken to wash slices ✓ volume (of samples) removed from solution ✓ pH ✓ use same colorimeter filter / same blank ✓	2 max	List Rule If both prompt lines used and more than one variable is on the line mark the first one on each line. If only one line used but there is more than one variable listed mark first two written.  IGNORE temperature / time / concentration of ethanol ALLOW same beetroot / same species ALLOW same SA:V / mass IGNORE size of beetroot
	(b)	(i)	x axis / concentration of ethanol , has no units ✓ should be a line graph (as continuous data) ✓ x axis / concentration (of ethanol) , has incorrect scale / 0.6 not included ✓ no title ✓	3 max	List Rule If all three prompt lines used and more than one criticism is on the line mark the first one on each line. If only one or two lines used but there is more than one criticism listed mark as continuous prose.  ALLOW bar graph not appropriate for continuous data

Qı	Question		Answer		Guidance
20	(b)	(ii)	(so) can calculate a mean ✓ allows anomalies to be identified ✓ improves repeatability ✓	2 max	IGNORE average DO NOT ALLOW prevents anomalies IGNORE remove anomalies ALLOW reproducibility
			allows statistical test to be completed ✓		IGNORE reliability / validity / accuracy  ALLOW can complete , standard deviation / t-test
			Total	10	

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Q	Question		Answer		Guidance
21	(a)	(i)	sodium ions / Na ions / Na+, cannot enter ✓ no / prevents, depolarisation of membrane ✓ (membrane) remains at resting potential ✓ prevents action potential being generated ✓ impulse not conducted (along axon) ✓ (so) no release of neurotransmitter ✓	4 max	Award 3 max if explanation refers to what would normally happen in neurone instead of in presence of TTX DO NOT ALLOW cannot enter membrane ALLOW sodium ions / Na ions / Na+ , stay outside  ALLOW action potential for impulse
		(ii)	diaphragm is paralysed so: no / little , change / increase , in volume of thorax ✓ no / little , change / decrease , in pressure in thorax ✓ no / little / less , air drawn into lungs ✓	2 max	Award 1 max if explanation refers to what would normally happen rather than if diaphragm is paralysed  ALLOW chest cavity / lungs for thorax throughout  IGNORE oxygen
		(iii)	suggestion: slows / decreases , heart rate ✓  explanation: Any two from slows transmission of impulse from AVN to ventricles ✓ slows ventricular , systole / contraction ✓ longer delay before ventricular , systole / contraction , begins ✓ increases time (the heart is) in diastole / relaxation ✓	3 max	ALLOW bradycardia  ALLOW prevents / stops for 'slows' for MP2 and MP3 'ventricular' must be mentioned once

Q	Question		Answer	Marks	Guidance
	(b)		no nodes of Ranvier ✓ shorter local , currents / circuits ✓ whole axon needs to be depolarised ✓	1 max	IGNORE ref to jumping between nodes ALLOW more local currents / circuits  ALLOW e.g. action potentials need to be generated all the way along the axon
			Total	10	

	Questi	ion	Answer		Guidance
22	(a)	(i)	9.7 x 10 <sup>-3</sup> OR 0.0097	3	IGNORE + or - ALLOW two marks if answer is correct but not to two S.F.   ALLOW two marks if answer is incorrect for correct calculation e.g. $\frac{0.05^2 \times \pi \times 3.7}{3}$ OR $\frac{0.029}{3}$ ALLOW one mark for $0.05^2 \times \pi \times 3.7$ OR   0.029
		(ii)	140 (two s.f.) /142 / 141.7 / 141.67 / 141.6  ✓✓	2	ALLOW one mark if answer is correct but 'decrease' has been calculated so response given as 'minus' number   If answer is incorrect ALLOW one mark for $\frac{2.9-1.2}{1.2}\times 100  \text{OR}  \frac{1.7}{1.2}\times 100$
	(a)	(iii)		1 max	ALLOW Calvin cycle / light independent stage for photosynthesis throughout

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	removing CO₂ would prevent photosynthesis ✓ CO₂ would be a limiting factor for photosynthesis ✓		<b>ALLOW</b> e.g. so they could still photosynthesise e.g. CO <sub>2</sub> needed for photosynthesis
(b)	at 1510 (lux) the distance moved by the fluid  (in respirometer) is , zero / 0 ✓  at 1510 (lux) rate of photosynthesis is equal to  rate of respiration ✓  at 1510 (lux) there is no net change in volume  in the respirometer ✓	2 max	'at 1510 (lux)' only needs to be mentioned <b>once</b> throughout  ALLOW at 1510 (lux) compensation point has been reached
	Total	8	

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(	Question		Answer		Guidance
23	(a)		<ul> <li>W liver / hepatic ✓</li> <li>X pancreas / pancreatic ✓</li> <li>Y skeletal / striated , muscle ✓</li> </ul>	3	IGNORE cells  ALLOW Islet of Langerhans / acini
	(b)		carboxylic acid should be carbonic acid / H₂CO₃ ✓  vagus (nerve) should be , accelerator / sympathetic / accelerans, (nerve) ✓  AVN should be , SAN / sinoatrial node ✓  baroreceptors should be chemoreceptors OR pH should be pressure ✓  smooth muscle should be cardiac muscle ✓	max 4	Error and correct term must be clearly identified.  ALLOW copied statements where correct terms replace errors.  IGNORE carbon dioxide  ALLOW specialised striated
	(c)	(i)	allows baby to , (try to) hold on / grasp ✓ (crying) draws attention (to the baby) ✓	2	ALLOW alerts parent / encourages someone to pick baby up
		(ii)	description: (rapid) blinking / shutting / closing (of eyes) ✓  explanation: involuntary ✓ prevents , damage to / objects entering , eyes ✓	3	ALLOW references to , ducking / raising hands / flinching  ALLOW unconscious / automatic / innate / instinctive ALLOW protects the eyes
			Total	12	

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