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F211 Cells, Exchange and Transport

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1	(a)	(i)	A smooth endoplasmic reticulum / SER B nuclear, membrane / envelope; C mitochondrion; D nucleolus;	4	mark first response on each line only ACCEPT nucleus, membrane / envelope ACCEPT mitochondria DO NOT ACCEPT nucleous	
	(a)	(ii)	(mitochondria) vary in shape; longer than wide;	7	ACCEPT sausage shaped/long and thin ACCEPT if shown by drawing	
			cut in different planes / angles / AW; just divided / growing; artefact / deformed during preparation of section;		need comparative statement ACCEPT C has been cut in longitudinal plane, E has been cut in transverse, section / plane ACCEPT one cut horizontally, other cut vertically ACCEPT in different positions / one viewed from above the other from the side	
			arteract / deformed during preparation of section ,	2 max		

Que	estion	l	Expected Answers	Marks	Additional Guidance
1	(a)	(iii)	correct answer = two marks 3.75 / 3.8 ;;		ACCEPT if 3.75 or 3.8 is seen anywhere in response (even if later rounded to 4) Max 1 if response is 4 with no working
			if answer incorrect ALLOW one mark for correct working		how to award one mark for working e.g. candidate shows correct calculation but wrong answer
					actual length = $\frac{20 \times 15}{80}$ OR candidate uses magnification (x4000) in calculation:
					actual length = 15000 / 4000 ; length of C should be 15mm / 15000μm
				2	ACCEPT ecf for working mark if length of C is not measured correctly but incorrect figure is used in calculation correctly
1	(b)	(ii)	proteins moved to Golgi (apparatus / body); processed / modified / AW;		e.g. carbohydrate group added DO NOT ACCEPT reprocessed
			into <u>vesicles</u> ;		idea that product of processing is placed into vesicles for transport DO NOT ACCEPT vacuole – but do not penalise more than once
			(vesicle) moved to, plasma / cell surface, membrane; (vesicles) <u>fuse</u> with membrane; <u>exocytosis</u> ;		DO NOT ACCEPT 'cell membrane'
				3 max [Total: 11]	

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2	(c)	small, non-polar substances diffuse (through membrane / phospholipid bilayer); large substances (using), transport / carrier, proteins; endocytosis / phagocytosis / described; polar substances through, pore / channel, proteins; (using), transport / carrier, proteins; general – must be used in correct context, each once only ref to facilitated diffusion;		ACCEPT diffusion / diffuses ACCEPT protein pump DO NOT ACCEPT channel proteins here ACCEPT pinocytosis
		ref to active transport / use of ATP; ### ### ############################	5 max	apply only to large / polar substances DO NOT ACCEPT ref to active transport with channel proteins (three from: phospholipid / bilayer / diffusion / facilitated diffusion / active transport / transport protein / carrier protein / channel protein / pinocytosis / endocytosis / phagocytosis) if protein spelled incorrectly throughout, only penalise once
			[Total : 11]	

Question		1	Expected Answers		Additional Guidance
3	(a)	(i)	a cell that is, unspecialised / not differentiated; capable of, division / mitosis; able to, differentiate / specialise / become other cell types;	2 max	DO NOT ACCEPT replication ACCEPT totipotent / pluripotent / omnipotent
3	(a)	(ii)	cambium / meristem / early embryonic cells ;	1	ACCEPT plants have no stem cells
	(b)		growth (of tissue / organism); replace (cells) / repair (tissues); asexual reproduction/cloning / producing genetically identical cells; maintain chromosome number in all cells;	3	initially mark first response on each line, if not all lines used, go back and credit further correct points DO NOT ACCEPT growth of cells DO NOT ACCEPT repair of cells ACCEPT ref to maintain, haploid / diploid, number
	(c)	(i)	higher percentage remain leukaemia free (for five years) / AW; ORA use of figs;	2	Need clear comparative statement DO NOT ACCEPT 'more people' e.g. 60% cf. 38% approx. one and a half times more 22% more e.g. ALLOW one mark for: '60% given cord blood cells survive, 38% given marrow cells survive for five years' ALLOW two marks for: '60% given cord blood cells survive but only 38% given marrow cells survive for five years' as this is a comparative statement

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	(c)	(ii)	greater availability of cord cells / more likely to find donors;		ACCEPT ORA throughout
			2 easier to harvest / no pain for donor;		ACCEPT easier to extract/obtain / less risky / less invasive
			3 cells at earlier stage of development;		ACCEPT can differentiate into wider range of cells DO NOT ACCEPT cells younger
			4 can be stored for future, use/repair / gene therapy, of donor;		, ,
			5 slightly mismatched cord cells work (almost) as well as marrow cells;	2	
				[Total : 10]	

Que	estion	Expected Ans	wers	Marks	Additional Guidance
4	4 (a)	large / active, organisms have high(er), demand for oxygen / need to remove CO ₂ ; small(er), surface area to volume ratio / SA:V / surface area:volume; surface area too small / distance too large / diffusion takes too long (to supply needs);		2 max	ACCEPT ORA throughout IGNORE ref to nutrients ACCEPT diffusion too slow look for reason why diffusion not good enough
	(b)	create / maintai epithelium capillaries diaphragm / intercostal muscles	short (diffusion) distance; delivers carbon dioxide (to be removed from blood) / carries oxygen away (from alveoli); short (diffusion) distance; ventilation / supply of oxygen (to alveoli) / removal of carbon dioxide (from alveoli);		could give mark in any row as an additional mark – but only once DO NOT ACCEPT any vague reference to 'gases' throughout ACCEPT short diffusion distance here even if given above ACCEPT breathing in and out / AW
				3 max	
4	(c)	intercostal mus increase volume reduce pressure	ntracts / flattens and) moves downwards; cles contract to move ribs, up / out; e of thorax; e inside thorax; pheric pressure/creates pressure gradient / AW;	4 max	IGNORE ref to internal / external ACCEPT increase volume of lungs / chest ACCEPT decrease pressure in lungs / chest must ensure the pressure gradient is in correct direction – lower in lungs

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4	(d)	(i)	a clear X placed on any part of trace where line is sloping down;		ACCEPT label line with X DO NOT ALLOW X on tip of crest / trough
4	(d)	(ii)	3 dm ³ ;		correct units must be given ACCEPT litres
				[Total: 11]	

Que	Question		Expected Answers		Additional Guidance
5 (a)			single circulatory system: blood passes through the heart once for each, circulation / circuit / cycle, of the body;		DO NOT ACCEPT ref to cardiac cycle DO NOT ACCEPT 'blood passes through heart once' - it must be clear there is a circuit / return to heart ACCEPT description e.g. heart to gills to body to heart ACCEPT ref to no separate pulmonary and systemic systems
			closed circulatory system: the blood is maintained inside vessels;	2	ACCEPT ref to lungs ACCEPT names of two types of vessel as alternative to 'vessels'
5	(b)	(i)	T SAN / sinoatrial node; U AVN / atrioventricular node; V bundle of His / Purkyne tissue;	3	ACCEPT pacemaker DO NOT ACCEPT sinoarterial / artrial node DO NOT ACCEPT arterioventricular node ACCEPT Purkinje

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5	(b)	(ii)	T / SAN, creates / initiates / starts / originates, excitation;		ACCEPT acts as pacemaker ACCEPT impulse / action potential / depolarisation DO NOT ACCEPT electricity / signal / message	
			wave (of excitation) spreads over atrial , <u>wall / muscle</u> ; ref to, AVN / U ; atria contract / atrial systole ; contraction is synchronised / AW; delay at AVN;		DO NOT ACCEPT if response suggests that brain needed to trigger SAN	
			(excitation spreads) down septum ; ref to, bundle of His / Purkyne fibres; ventricles contract / ventricular systole, from, apex / bottom;		ACCEPT EITHER in context of both atria OR both ventricles contracting together ACCEPT Purkinje	
			QWC – technical terms, spelled AND used in correct context	4 max		
				1	any three from: pacemaker, sinoatrial node, atrioventricular node, excitation, atrial / atrium / atria, septum, Purkyne, bundle of His, ventricle(s) / ventricular, apex, systole.	
				[Total: 10]		

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6	(a)			if xylem drawn then phloem must be labelled	
		3 – 5 discrete patches in ring (near centre);		DO NOT ACCEPT vascular bundles around edge DO NOT ACCEPT if phloem occupies more than half total width patches can be any shape	
			1		
6	(b)	 A / labelled carbon can be observed in the phloem soon after being supplied to the plant; B / the rate of flow of sugars in the phloem is higher than diffusion; C / an insect such as an aphid feeds by inserting its proboscis (mouth parts) into the phloem; 		mark first two letters only	
			max 2		

Que	stion	Expected Answers	Marks	Additional Guidance		
	(c)	source site where, sucrose / sugars / assimilates, loaded (into phloem) / AW;		DO NOT ACCEPT glucose / substance throughout ACCEPT where, sucrose / sugars / assimilates, produced/created or converted from stored products		
		sink site where, sucrose / sugars / assimilates, unloaded / removed (from phloem) / AW;		DO NOT ACCEPT terms 'loading' and 'unloading' in wrong context ACCEPT where, sucrose / sugars / assimilates, stored or used (in metabolic processes) DO NOT ACCEPT 'required' or 'needed' instead of		
			2	'used'		
6	(d)	(sugars) cannot pass the cut / AW; decrease water potential; water moves into cells; (damage triggers) increased cell division; to produce cells to store sugars; cut causes, gall / infection;	2 max	ACCEPT sugars, stuck above cut / stuck at top of tree / can't move down/build up above cut		
			[Total: [7]			

Grade Thresholds

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Unit Threshold Marks

Unit		Maximum Mark	Α	В	С	D	E	U
F211	Raw	60	46	41	36	31	26	0
	UMS	90	72	63	54	45	36	0

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