## GCE

## Biology

Unit F212: Molecules, Biodiversity, Food and Health
Advanced Subsidiary GCE

Mark Scheme for June 2015

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These are the annotations, (including abbreviations), including those used in scoris, which are used when marking

| Annotation | Meaning of annotation |
| :---: | :---: |
| $\Leftrightarrow$ | Correct answer |
| $\stackrel{3}{ }$ | Incorrect response |
| B0D | Benefit of Doubt |
| NBOD | Not Benefit of Doubt |
| ECF | Error Carried Forward |
| GM | Given mark |
| $\cdots$ | Underline (for ambiguous/contradictory wording) |
| $\wedge$ | Omission mark |
| I | Ignore |
| 0 | Partial correct response |
| Quct | Partial QWC* mark awarded |
| BP | Blank page |

Here are the subject specific instructions for this question paper

- Use CON when a correct response is associated with a piece of clearly incorrect science within the same statement and award no mark.
- For questions in which the command word is 'suggest' ignore incorrect responses and credit a correct response wherever it occurs
- Accept phonetic spellings unless otherwise indicated
- All marks are stand-alone unless otherwise stated in Additional Guidance
- For 'idea of' marking points a wide range of wording is acceptable. The mark is to be awarded for the idea.

Here is the mark scheme for this question paper.

| Question |  |  | Expected Answers | Mark | Additional Guidance |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 | (a) | (i) | peptide (bond / link) ; | 1 | DO NOT CREDIT dipeptide |
| 1 | (a) | (ii) | hydrolysis; <br> water / $\mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O}$, is , added / used / needed ; | 2 | IGNORE name of bond <br> CREDIT OH and H put back on amino acids ACCEPT (broken down) with water |
| 1 | (b) |  | 1 substrate / protein, shape is (nearly) complementary to active site ; ora <br> 2 substrate / protein , enters / fits into , active site (on enzyme) ; <br> 3 induced fit / description of induced fit ; <br> 4 (forms) enzyme-substrate complex / ESC ; <br> 5 destabilising / straining / AW, of bonds (in substrate); then (forms) enzyme-product complex ; <br> 6 product(s) / amino acids, leave (active site) ; | 5 max | 1 ACCEPT complimentary <br> 1 "substrate binds to the active site which is complementary to the substrate shape" = 2 marks, mp 1 and mp 2 <br> 2 ACCEPT binds to / holds / bonds to <br> 2 IGNORE collides <br> 5 IGNORE breaks <br> 6 IGNORE EPC |
| 1 | (c) | (i) | no units for , $2^{\text {nd }}$ column / egg white ; <br> amount (rather than volume / in $4^{\text {th }}$ column) ; <br> incorrect unit / m , in final / time , column ; | 3 | IGNORE prompt, and mark the first three answers. IGNORE subsequent answers. <br> CREDIT marks clearly annotated on table <br> ACCEPT volume of egg white needs $\mathrm{cm}^{3}$ <br> ACCEPT 'they should have written volume' <br> ACCEPT should have been s <br> IGNORE should have been , sec / secs / seconds |


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| 1 | (c) | (ii) | equal volume in each tube ; add buffer / control pH ; | 1 | ACCEPT "make sure the tubes have the same $\mathrm{cm}^{3}$ " |
| 1 | (c) | (iii) | control ; | 1 | DO NOT CREDIT control variable |
| 1 | (c) | (iv) | improve reliability ; <br> assess, variability / spread of results; <br> allows calculation of mean ; | 2 | IGNORE accurate <br> ACCEPT identify, anomalous results / outliers IGNORE eliminate anomalous results <br> ACCEPT reference to statistical test ACCEPT standard deviation / t-test / Mann-Whitney <br> CREDIT improves accuracy of mean |
| 1 | (d) | (i) | line drawn below line on graph ; <br> line from origin that does not peak or plateau ; | 2 | If the line goes above the original line at any point $=0$ marks <br> ALLOW lines touching at right hand end <br> DO NOT CREDIT line with increasing gradient ALLOW plateau if it joins the original line ALLOW plateau below original line if it starts 4 small squares (or fewer) from the end |


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| $\mathbf{1}$ | (d) | (ii) | similar shape to, substrate / (part of) albumin / protein; |  | IGNORE same <br> ACCEPT same shape as part of substrate <br> IGNORE structure <br> ACCEPT tertiary structure |
|  | complementary (shape) to (part of) active site ; | $\mathbf{2}$ |  |  |  |


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| 2 | (a) | (i) | lives , in / on , host ; <br> gains nutrition / feeds, from (host) ; <br> at the expense of / harms (host) ; | 3 | The word 'host' must appear at least once in order to gain 3 marks <br> IGNORE lives off host IGNORE binds to host <br> ACCEPT e.g. feeds on blood / get food from it / obtains nutrients from the larger organism <br> DO NOT CREDIT sometimes harm <br> ACCEPT causes disease |
| 2 | (a) | (ii) | mosquito / vector / Anopheles , feeds on blood ; <br> breaks skin / skin cannot act as barrier / mosquito pierces skin / mosquito bites skin ; | 2 | IGNORE insect <br> IGNORE anticoagulant prevents clot formation (as primary defence has already been breached) |


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| 2 | (a) | (iii) | suitable / AW , climate / temperature , for , mosquito / vector <br> / Anopheles ; ora <br> more mosquitoes live there / AW ; ora <br> idea of relatively poor so methods of prevention less effective ; | 1 | ACCEPT 'warm enough for mosquitoes' IGNORE tropical as AW for 'warm' IGNORE mosquito is adapted to survive there <br> ACCEPT e.g. can't afford, drugs / mosquito nets / habitat management/insecticides ACCEPT lack of education |
| 2 | (a) | (iv) | 1 climate change / global warming / AW , may result in spread to other parts of the world / AW ; <br> 2 idea of increased movement of (infected) people ; <br> 3 idea that (non-malaria) countries fund anti-malaria measures via international aid ; <br> 4 resistance of , parasite to drugs / mosquito to insecticides; | 2 max | 2 ACCEPT increased tourism / easier to travel <br> 2 ACCEPT inadvertent transport of mosquitoes <br> 4 IGNORE 'resistance' without further qualification 4 DO NOT CREDIT immune |
| 2 | (b) | (i) | A antigen ; <br> B (extension of) cytoplasm ; <br> C lysosome; <br> D phagosome / phagocytic vesicle / phago-lysosome; | 4 | Mark the first answer. If the answer is correct and another answer is given that is incorrect or contradicts the original answer, then = $\mathbf{0}$ marks <br> B ACCEPT pseudopod (ia / ium) or close spelling B IGNORE neutrophil <br> C IGNORE lysome / lysozyme <br> D ACCEPT phagocytic vacuole / secondary lysosome |


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| 2 | (b) | (ii) | (different) chemicals that attract phagocytes (released from infected erythrocytes) ; | 1 | ACCEPT in the context of chemicals released by erythrocyte or Plasmodium <br> ACCEPT cytokines / histamine / interleukin, released IGNORE references to antigens on surface |
| 2 | (c) |  | Globular <br> G1 ball (shaped) / spherical / AW ; <br> G2 hydrophilic, (R-)groups / regions, on outside (of 3-D structure) / hydrophobic (R-)groups on inside ; <br> G3 form H -bonds with water ; <br> G4 soluble ; <br> G5 example of globular protein (other than haemoglobin) ; <br> H1 haemoglobin, carries / transports, oxygen / carbon dioxide; <br> H2 haemoglobin contains, prosthetic group / haem / $\mathrm{Fe}^{2+}$ / iron ion (to allow oxygen to be carried) ; <br> H3 (polypeptide chains within) haemoglobin have tertiary structure (in a ball shape) ; |  | G1 IGNORE round / globular <br> G5 ACCEPT (named) enzyme / hormone / antibody / channel / carrier <br> G5 IGNORE metabolic / transport <br> H1 ACCEPT references to buffering <br> H2 IGNORE Fe ${ }^{3+}$ <br> H3 ACCEPT haemoglobin has tertiary structure |



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| 3 | (a) |  | spread over wider area / more widespread / bigger range / AW ; | 1 | ACCEPT geographical description, e.g. 'they now live in the South / Wales also' but answer must imply that they still live in previously occupied areas IGNORE idea of higher numbers IGNORE bigger / more without further qualification |
| 3 | (b) | (i) | impossible / difficult , to count every individual ; <br> sample provides an estimate ; <br> sample representative (of whole area) ; | 2 max | ACCEPT idea that counting every individual is too time consuming |
| 3 | (b) | (ii) | to compare (the two areas) ; <br> (presence or absence of) roe deer is independent variable ; <br> idea of controlling variables other than roe deer ; | 1 max | ACCEPT one area acts as a control ACCEPT to see the effect of the roe deer |
| 3 | (b) | (iii) | 1 (species) richness is number of species (in a habitat) ; <br> 2 (species) evenness is, abundance / number of individuals of , each / every / all, species (in a habitat) ; <br> 3 idea that both (richness and evenness) are needed to reveal dominance; <br> 4 idea that high biodiversity associated with high species richness and high species evenness; | 3 max | IGNORE amount ACCEPT 'how many' as AW for 'number' <br> ACCEPT evenness is relative , numbers / abundance , of (each) species IGNORE number of individuals of , a/the / one , species |


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| 3 | (b) | (iv) | plants are , the basis / AW , of (all) food chains ; <br> shrubs / plants, are food for, insects / animals, that birds eat ; <br> idea that shrubs might provide, nesting sites / cover / protection / habitat ; | 1 max | IGNORE birds eat , shrubs / seeds / fruit IGNORE 'fewer insects' without reason for fewer insects <br> AWARD in the context of birds, or animals that birds eat IGNORE home |
|  | (b) | (v) | (habitat) dominated by, one / few / AW, species ; ecosystem / habitat, is, unstable / less likely to cope with change; | 2 | ACCEPT high number of one species <br> IGNORE area / environment ACCEPT in the context of an example of environmental change <br> ACCEPT a change in one species with have a large effect on the , ecosystem / habitat / food chain |
| 3 | (c) | (i) | idea of danger to , humans / local wildlife / domestic animals / deer ; <br> environment may no longer be suitable for lynx / AW ; | 1 | ACCEPT idea of danger to existing food chains IGNORE could become a pest IGNORE dangerous without further qualification IGNORE competition |


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| 3 | (c) | (ii) | 1 (phylogeny is) the evolutionary, relationship between / history of , organisms / species ; <br> 2 phylogeny is the basis of classification ; <br> 3 example of molecular evidence used to classify ; <br> 4 species / organisms, within the same group have shared, phylogeny / evolutionary history / common ancestor ; ora <br> 5 idea that phylogeny of $L$. Iynx and L. pardinus are sufficiently, different to have been placed in separate species / similar to have been placed in same genus ; | 4 max | 1 ACCEPT reasonable description of evolutionary , history / relationship, e.g. changes in ancestral organisms <br> 2 Must be a clear statement <br> 3 ACCEPT base sequence / amino acid sequence / DNA / cytochrome C / haemoglobin / ATPase (used to classify) |
| 3 | (c) | (iii) | modern / new / better , technology (to distinguish between closely related species) ; <br> more , molecular / biochemical / DNA / genetic , evidence ; | 1 | ACCEPT named example, e.g. DNA sequencing |


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| 3 | (c) | (iv) | $\mathbf{1} \quad$idea of impact on food chain(s); |  |


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| 4 | (a) | $\begin{aligned} & 0.096 ; \\ & \text { tonnes } \mathrm{ha}^{-1} \mathrm{y}^{-1} ; \end{aligned}$ | 3 | If answer is incorrect CREDIT one mark for correctly identifying a difference of 4.3 (tonnes $\mathrm{ha}^{-1}$ ) <br> ACCEPT tonnes per hectare per, year ACCEPT tonnes $\mathrm{ha}^{-1} / \mathrm{yr}$ ACCEPT tonnes ha ${ }^{-1}$ per year IGNORE annum |


| Question |  |  | Expected Answers | Mark | Additional Guidance |
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| 4 | (b) |  | 1 crossbreed / breed / interbreed, high-yielding, wheat plants / individuals; <br> 2 assess / test / measure, yield / AW ; <br> 3 crossbreed / AW, selected / best / high-yielding, offspring ; <br> 4 over generations; <br> 5 marker assisted selection / prevent self-pollination / genetic screening / prevent unwanted (cross) pollination ; | 4 max | 1 ACCEPT breed high-yielding individuals <br> 1 ACCEPT 'mate / reproduce' as AW for 'breed' <br> 1 IGNORE inbreed <br> 1 ACCEPT description of high-yielding plant, e.g. more , ears / grain / seed / wheat <br> 1 ACCEPT if only one of the plants is high-yielding <br> 2 IGNORE select the best offspring <br> 4 ACCEPT several / a few generations <br> 4 IGNORE time <br> 5 ACCEPT descriptions <br> 5 IGNORE the ones with the correct gene <br> 5 ACCEPT prevent self-fertilization |
| 4 | (c) |  | (use of) fertiliser ; <br> (use of) pesticide / fungicide / insecticide ; <br> improved technology ; | 2 max | IGNORE prompt lines and mark as prose IGNORE refs to climate change <br> IGNORE crop rotation IGNORE increase in soil minerals IGNORE irrigation <br> ACCEPT selective herbicide IGNORE decrease in pests <br> ACCEPT e.g. better harvesting technology IGNORE genetic modification / irrigation |
|  |  |  | Total | [9] |  |


| Question |  |  | Expected Answers |  | Mark | Additional Guidance |
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| 5 | (a) | (i) | thymine ; |  | 1 |  |
| 5 | (a) | (ii) | correct complementary sequence ; bases joined by a backbone drawn below | letters ; | 2 | IGNORE bonds between bases <br> = 2 marks |
| 5 | (b) |  | Statement <br> The DNA molecule unwinds <br> Hydrogen bonds between the base <br> pairs break <br> Free RNA nucleotides join to bases on <br> the exposed DNA strands <br> Both polypeptide strands act as a <br> template <br> Hydrogen bonds form between <br> complementary bases <br> 3 hydrogen bonds form between bases <br> A and T <br> DNA polymerase links the new <br> nucleotides <br> Covalent bonds form between the <br> phosphate of one nucleotide and the <br> pentose sugar of the next nucleotide | Incorrect statements <br> X <br> X <br> X | 3 | Four 'X's - max 2 <br> Five 'X's - max 1 <br> Six or more 'X's - DO NOT CREDIT any marks If candidate does not use ' $X$ ', ACCEPT unambiguous system of indicating correct answers. |
|  | es |  | Expected Answers |  | Mark | Additional Guidance |


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| 5 | (c) |  | 1 individuals / organisms / species / phenotypes ; <br> 2 genetic ; <br> 3 environment ; <br> 4 intraspecific ; <br> 5 selection / survival ; | 5 | Mark the first answer. If the answer is correct and another answer is given that is incorrect or contradicts the original answer, then $=\mathbf{0}$ marks <br> IGNORE offspring <br> ACCEPT inherited / genetical <br> IGNORE named example of environment, e.g. diet <br> ACCEPT intraspecies <br> ACCEPT breeding / reproduction <br> ACCEPT natural selection / survival of the fittest |
|  |  |  | Total | [11] |  |


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| 6 | (a) | 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 | 2 light chains and 2 heavy chains / 4 polypeptide chains ; <br> variable region allows, binding / attachment , to antigen ; <br> two variable regions allow binding of more than one (of the same) antigen ; <br> variable region on different antibodies allows specificity to different antigens ; <br> constant region allows, recognition by / attachment to / binding to , (named) phagocytes ; <br> hinge (region) allows flexibility ; <br> disulfide , bonds / bridges , hold , polypeptides / light and heavy chains, together ; | 6 max | CREDIT marking points from a suitably annotated correctly labelled diagrams but read text first <br> 1 IGNORE long / short <br> 1 CREDIT implication from labelled diagram <br> 2 IGNORE complementary <br> 2 ALLOW AW for region <br> 3 ALLOW AW for region <br> 4 ALLOW AW for region <br> 5 ALLOW AW for region <br> 5 IGNORE complementary <br> 6 ACCEPT allows arms to , move / bend |
|  |  | QWC - statements linking structure and function for variable region and one other region |  | 1 | AWARD if one mark from 2 to 4 and one mark from 5 to 7 are given |




APPENDIX 1 - this contains a generic mark scheme grid

## Mark Scheme Conventions

The following conventions appear in the Mark Scheme

- Bracketed words. The words in brackets are there to 'set the scene' and indicate the context in which the answer is expected. They do not need to appear. Award the mark as long as the statement in the brackets is not contradicted.
- Solidus /. A solidus indicates alternative ways that a mark might be gained for a given Mark Point.
- Use of the comma in a mark point. This indicates that some information from either side of the comma or commas is needed. It is used in conjunction with the solidus.
- In some cases the Guidance column may indicate examples of wording or terms that are acceptable (ACCEPT) or that should be ignored (IGNORE). In the case of IGNORE read on (or previously) to see if something creditworthy appears later in the response.
- Underlining
o solid underline. The word or part of word underlined is required but minor mis-spellings are acceptable as long as the word is phonetically the same
o wavy underline. This indicates that whilst the word underlined is not precisely needed, alternative responses need to be closely related in meaning or be a clear description.
- idea of. This is used as a prefix to marking points where there may be a fairly wide range of responses which cover the essence of the required response. This often requires examiner judgement. These often, but not exclusively, appear in questions related to environmental or health issues.

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