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## GCE

## Biology

Unit F212: Molecules, Biodiversity, Food and Health
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## Mark Scheme for June 2016

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

| Annotation | Meaning of annotation |
| :---: | :--- |
| BOD | Correct answer |
| NBOD | Incorrect response |
| ECF | Benefit of Doubt |
| GM | Not Benefit of Doubt |
| A | Error Carried Forward |
| I | Given mark |
| A | Underline (for ambiguous/contradictory wording) |
| OWC | Omission mark |
|  | Ignore |

Here are the subject specific instructions for this question paper

- CON is used when a correct response that would otherwise have been awarded a mark is associated with a piece of clearly incorrect science within the same statement. If this occurs, do not award the mark at this point. However, if, later on in the candidate's answer, the correct response is seen, and is not contradicted in the same statement, the mark can be awarded. This is particularly useful in questions testing biochemistry. Sometimes, incorrect science does not warrant negation of a particular marking point and, where this is likely to occur, there is often advice in the Additional Guidance column.
- 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) | X: C / carbon ; <br> Y: O / oxygen ; <br> Z: OH / hydroxyl (group); | 3 | Mark the first answer. If the answer is correct and an additional element or group is given $=\mathbf{0}$ marks. For example $\mathrm{X}=\mathrm{C}$ or $\mathrm{CH}_{2}=0$ marks <br> Y DO NOT CREDIT $\mathrm{O}_{2}$ <br> Z IGNORE hydroxy / hydroxide <br> Z IGNORE OH ${ }^{-}$ |
| 1 | (a) | (ii) | OH and H groups reversed / AW (on single C atom) ; on , $\mathrm{C}_{1} /$ right hand C atom / AW ; | 2 | Max 1 if any other change is described / shown. CREDIT a correct diagram ACCEPT right hand part of molecule only IGNORE parts of molecule labelled $\mathrm{X}, \mathrm{Y}$ and Z IGNORE C number if it contradicts an otherwise correct answer $=2 \text { marks }$ |
| 1 | (a) | (iii) | ( $\alpha$ / alpha / a / A) 1-4 glycosidic ; maltose ; | 2 | ACCEPT glycosidic 1,4 IGNORE covalent |




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| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 2 | (a) |  | tick in second box $\square$ <br> active and artificial | 1 | DO NOT CREDIT if there is a tick in any other box |
| 2 | (b) | (i) | viral RNA , acts as , host cell / m , RNA ; <br> RNA , carries , code / sequence (for viral protein) ; <br> (to) ribosomes ; | 2 max | ACCEPT RNA / DNA , produced from viral RNA DO NOT CREDIT tRNA <br> ACCEPT RNA is , translated into / used as a template to produce , (viral) protein (or description) <br> ACCEPT RNA codes for (viral) protein DO NOT CREDIT tRNA <br> ACCEPT as a standalone mark |


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| 2 | (b) | (ii) | altered base sequence (of viral RNA) means, altered , primary structure / (sequence of) amino acids ; <br> R-groups / disulphide bonds / hydrogen bonds / ionic bonds, interact differently ; <br> tertiary structure is determined by , bonds / R-groups / secondary structure / primary structure / sequence of amino acids ; <br> $3-\mathrm{D}$ shape is tertiary structure ; |  |  | 3 max | ACCEPT if a nucleotide (in RNA) is different the amino acid (in the protein) is different <br> ACCEPT changed as AW for interact differently <br> ACCEPT implication that 3D is tertiary structure |
| 2 | (b) | (iii) | money would be sav days / reduced spre practice / few teach | education <br> f virus) / g <br> ill have im <br> (to | ed / fewer sick ample of health <br> strain) ; | 1 | IGNORE so they don't get the flu without further qualification <br> IGNORE because they are at risk of infection |
| 2 | (c) |  | concentration of <br> antibodies <br> produced <br> duration of <br> response | primary response <br> low(er) <br> short(er) | secondary <br> response <br> high(er) $;$ <br> long(er) ; | 2 | ACCEPT unambiguous AW IGNORE numbers <br> ACCEPT stated time periods where secondary response is longer than primary |


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| 2 | (d) | helper cells, release , cytokines / interleukins <br> or <br> helper cells, activate / stimulate / AW , B cells ; <br> or <br> helper cells , produce ( T ) memory cells ; <br> killer / cytotoxic , cells , secrete / release , toxic substances / hydrogen peroxide / $\mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O}_{2}$ / perforin <br> or <br> killer / cytotoxic , cells , kill / AW , infected cells ; <br> or <br> killer cells, produce ( T ) memory cells ; <br> memory cells , allow a , secondary / faster , (immune) response ; <br> AVP ; | 2 max | CREDIT cause $B$ cells to, differentiate / proliferate IGNORE B memory cells <br> ACCEPT involved in clonal selection <br> AWARD memory cells once only anywhere in the answer <br> ACCEPT lysins <br> IGNORE enzymes <br> IGNORE kill / attack / enter , pathogens ACCEPT killer cells , target / attack, infected cells <br> AWARD memory cells once only anywhere in the answer <br> AWARD memory cells once only anywhere in the answer <br> AWARD 1 mark for suppressor cells / regulator cells , stop immune response |
|  |  | Total | [11] |  |


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| 3 | (a) | (i) | add / AW, biuret solution / biuret reagent / biuret mixture / NaOH and $\mathrm{CuSO}_{4}$; <br> observe colour ; | 2 | IGNORE 'biuret' unqualified DO NOT CREDIT heat / warm / neutralise / put in water bath <br> ACCEPT see if it goes, lilac / purple / mauve / violet DO NOT CREDIT if incorrect colour change described DO NOT CREDIT precipitate |
| 3 | (a) | (ii) | (enzymes are) globular , proteins / polypeptide ; <br> hydrophilic / water soluble, (R-)groups on outside (of enzyme) ; | 1 max |  |
| 3 | (b) | (i) | concentration $1.4 \pm 0.025$; $0.35 \text {; }$ | 2 | ALLOW ECF if stated concentration is not 1.4 (i.e. concentration $\times 250 / 1000$ ) |
| 3 | (b) | (ii) | test more (known), concentrations / solutions ; between 1.0 and $2.0 /$ near 1.4 ; | 2 | IGNORE repeat <br> IGNORE bigger range of concentrations |
| 3 | (b) | (iii) | carry out Biuret test / test again ; <br> (using) no enzyme / no protein / (distilled) water ; <br> set colorimeter to zero ; | 2 max | DO NOT CREDIT 'boiled enzyme' Measure absorbance of biuret solution alone = 2 marks |


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| $\mathbf{3}$ | (c) |  | $\mathbf{1}$ |  |

\begin{tabular}{|c|c|c|c|c|c|c|}
\hline \multicolumn{3}{|c|}{Question} \& \& Expected Answers \& Mark \& Additional Guidance \\
\hline 4 \& (a) \& \& \multicolumn{2}{|l|}{\begin{tabular}{l}
global warming ; \\
example of consequence of climate change mud has dried up / mud now too wet / flooding / disease / (new) herbivore / pest;
\end{tabular}} \& 2 \& \begin{tabular}{l}
ACCEPT climate change \\
IGNORE environmental change \\
ACCEPT (new) predator / heavy rainfall / drought IGNORE refs to temperature for this marking point IGNORE competition
\end{tabular} \\
\hline 4 \& (b) \& (i) \& \& \begin{tabular}{l}
the) level / number / range , of species ; \\
the level of) genetics / genes / gene pool / DNA ; the level of) habitat / ecosystem ;
\end{tabular} \& 2 max \& \begin{tabular}{l}
ACCEPT amount of species / species richness IGNORE species evenness \\
ACCEPT e.g. range of habitats IGNORE area / in a habitat
\end{tabular} \\
\hline 4 \& (b) \& (ii) \& \& nts are a source of (new), medicines / drugs / treatments ; \& 1 \& IGNORE nutritional / health, benefits IGNORE antibiotics \\
\hline 4 \& (b) \& (iii) \& 1
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7 \& \begin{tabular}{l}
Any three from: genetic variation / source of (named) useful genes ; <br>
(used for) genetic engineering ; <br>
(used for) selective breeding / breeding with, cultivated / crop / AW, varieties ; <br>
variety might be useful in a changing climate ; <br>
(habitat for) pollinators <br>
(habitat for) agents of biological control ; <br>
source of a new medicine for livestock;

 \& 3 max \& 

1 ACCEPT maintaining gene pool / genetic diversity <br>
2 ACCEPT description of genetic engineering <br>
3 ACCEPT cross as AW for breed <br>
4 ACCEPT species as AW for variety 4 ACCEPT examples of features useful in a different climate, e.g. drought resistance <br>
7 IGNORE antibiotics
\end{tabular} <br>

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| 4 | (c) |  | 1 2 3 4 4 5 | grow / AW , (N. thermarum) in a range of (soil) water content ; <br> leave for / over , same / stated , time ; <br> measure height / count number of (viable) individuals; <br> calculate mean (from the results) ; <br> keep two other named variables constant ; | 4 max | 1 IGNORE in presence and absence of water <br> 1 ACCEPT in context of, seed / cutting / plug etc <br> 2 IGNORE rate <br> 3 ACCEPT measure , (dry) mass / width / spread / number of leaves <br> 3 IGNORE measure growth <br> 4 ACCEPT perform statistical test (on the results) <br> 4 IGNORE average but ACCEPT mean average <br> 4 DO NOT CREDIT if there are no measurements to process <br> 5 ACCEPT (soil) pH / mineral content / type / mass 5 ACCEPT temperature / $\mathrm{CO}_{2}$ concentration / light intensity / light duration / light wavelength / number of seeds etc. (if they are being counted) / age / size (if they are being measured) <br> 5 IGNORE humidity / health / nutrients / species / light availability / soil fertility |
| 4 | (d) | (i) |  | vention on International Trade in Endangered Species / CITES ; | 1 | ACCEPT CITES acronym even if incorrect words are given <br> ACCEPT cites / Cites IGNORE extra information that is not contradictory |
| 4 | (d) | (ii) |  | Convention / (Rio) Convention on Bio(logical) Diversity ; | 1 | IGNORE extra information that is not contradictory |


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| 4 | (e) | range of, values / intermediates; <br> quantitative; |  | ACCEPT no distinct, categories / groups <br> ACCEPT (sketch of) normal distribution / bell-shaped <br> curve <br> IGNORE 'can be measured' |
| influenced by environment; |  |  |  |  |
| influenced by more than two genes / polygenic ; |  |  |  |  |



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| 6 | (a) | (i) | fungi ; |  | 1 |  |
| 6 | (a) | (ii) |  | the cells have) cellulose cell walls / chloroplasts (?) ; | 1 | DO NOT CREDIT chlorophyll / autotrophic IGNORE vacuole |
| 6 | (a) | (iii) |  | the cells have) a nucleus / (named) membrane bound organelles / 80S ribosomes(?) ; <br> the organism) multicellular (?) ; | 1 max | ACCEPT Are the cells eukaryotic / is a cell wall absent / does it form a blastula / can it produce fertilised eggs(?) <br> IGNORE all other responses |
| 6 | (b) | (i) |  | phylum / phyla class <br> order <br> amily ;; | 2 | If any answer is wrong AWARD max 1 if the other 3 taxa are correct If $Q$ is wrong AWARD max 1 if all stated taxa are in the correct consecutive sequence <br> Q IGNORE phylus |
| 6 | (b) | (ii) | 1 2 3 | eukaryotes / in eukaryote domain ; (classified on the basis of) genetics / amino acid sequences ; <br> genetics / observable features / amino acid sequences , distinct from other, (eukaryotic) kingdoms ; <br> genetics / amino acid sequence, less similar to , protoctists <br> or <br> genetics / amino acid sequence, more similar to , plants / fungi ; | 3 max | ACCEPT 'genes / DNA / RNA / base sequences / proportion of bases' as AW for genetics <br> 4 IGNORE observable features for this marking point 4 IGNORE animals |


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| 6 | (b) | (iii) | 1 2 2 3 4 5 | idea that 3 domains fits phylogeny better ; <br> (there are) key / many / fundamental / important , differences between, bacteria / prokaryotes , and, eukaryotes / other (4) kingdoms ; <br> eukaryotes all have, nucleus / membrane-bound organelles / 80S ribosomes ; <br> (there are) key / many / fundamental / important , differences between bacteria and archaea ; <br> bacteria and archaea have different, cell membrane / flagella / (named) enzymes / transcription / DNA replication / RNA ; | 3 max | 1 ACCEPT e.g. classifies species that are more closely related together / it is a better representation of the true relationship / reflects evolutionary history better <br> 1 IGNORE clearer <br> 1 IGNORE reference to common ancestors <br> 2 ACCEPT there are fundamental similarities between the 4 eukaryotic kingdoms that are not shared with prokaryotes <br> 4 ACCEPT 'there are good reasons why prokaryotes should be split' <br> 4 ACCEPT 'bacteria and archaea are more different that we thought' |
|  |  |  |  | Total | [11] |  |


| Question |  |  | Expected Answers | Mark | Additional Guidance |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 7 | (a) |  | 1 central , C / carbon (atom); <br> $2 \mathrm{NH}_{2}$ / amine (group) ; <br> $3 \mathrm{COOH} /$ carboxyl (group) opposite amine group ; <br> $4 \mathrm{CH}_{3}$ / methyl (group), opposite, hydrogen / H ; | 4 | CREDIT displayed formulae for groups throughout <br> 1 DO NOT CREDIT if joined to another group by an incorrect bond <br> 2 ACCEPT amino group / HNH <br> 3 ACCEPT carboxylic (acid) group <br> 3 DO NOT CREDIT if single bond drawn between C and O $=4 \text { marks }$ <br> If diagram is correct, IGNORE contradictory prose. If diagram is incorrect, DO NOT AWARD mark for correct prose |
| 7 | (b) | (i) | increases level of / produces (more), low density lipoproteins / LDL ; <br> LDLs carry cholesterol from liver to , (named) tissues / cells / blood ; <br> decreases the activity of (LDL) receptors (on cells) / less binding (of LDL) to cells ; | 2 max | ACCEPT converted to LDLs IGNORE saturated fats contain LDLs |


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| 7 | (b) | (ii) | 1 2 3 4 5 6 | (increased) deposition of , fat / lipid / cholesterol / LDL (in artery wall) ; <br> in artery wall / under endothelium ; atherosclerosis / formation of atheroma ; <br> narrowing / AW, of lumen of coronary artery ; reduced / restricted , blood flow ; less oxygen delivered to , cardiac / heart , $\underline{\text { muscle } \text {; }}$ | 4 max | 1 ACCEPT 'build up' as AW for deposit <br> 2 ACCEPT under, epithelium / lining of artery wall <br> 3 ACCEPT plaque formation <br> 3 IGNORE arterio- / arth- <br> 4 IGNORE conary <br> 6 ACCEPT myocardium gets less $\mathrm{O}_{2}$ |
| 7 | (c) |  |  | / /lipase, inhibitor ; | 1 | ACCEPT any description of competitive or noncompetitive inhibition of enzyme |
|  |  |  |  | Total | [11] |  |



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| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 8 | (d) | 1 | enzymes not denatured; |  | DO NOT CREDIT if the answer states that the bacterium has been denatured |
|  |  | 2 | Any two from decay / food spoilage , is slow(er) ; |  |  |
|  |  | 3 | molecules / enzymes / substrates, have little / AW , kinetic energy / KE / $\mathrm{E}_{\mathrm{k}}$; |  | 3 DO NOT CREDIT no kinetic energy |
|  |  | 4 | fewer collisions, between substrate and active site / forming ESC ; |  | 4 DO NOT CREDIT no collisions |
|  |  | 5 | (liquid) water availability reduced / AW ; | 3 max |  |
|  |  |  | Total | [8] |  |

APPENDIX 1 - this contains a generic mark scheme grid

## Mark Scheme Conventions

The following conventions appear in the Mark Scheme

1. 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.
2. Solidus /. A solidus indicates alternative ways that a mark might be gained for a given Mark Point.
3. 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 to see if something creditworthy appears later in the response.
4. Underlining.

- 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
- 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.

5. 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 such as those related to environmental or health issues.

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