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for the guidance of teachers**

**9700 BIOLOGY**

**9700/22**

Paper 2 (Structured Questions AS), maximum raw mark 60

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- 1 (a) (i) calcium ions are, water soluble / charged / not, fat / lipid, soluble / hydrophilic / ionic ; **A** not oil soluble  
phospholipid bilayer / AW, is hydrophobic / AW ; [2]
- (ii) active transport / active uptake ; [1]
- (calcium ions) moved against their concentration gradient ;  
ref. to, carrier protein / transport protein / pump protein ; **ignore** ion pump  
**R** channel protein  
ref. to calcium ions combine with binding site ;  
carrier protein, changes shape / conformational change ;  
ref. to ATP ; [2 max]
- (b) bacteria / antigen / epitope, combine(s) with / attach to/ recognition by, receptor ;  
antibody on bacteria combines with receptor ;  
opsonisation / opsonisation described ; e.g. facilitates phagocytosis  
ref. to constant region ;
- membrane infolds / invaginates / envelops / engulfs / enclose / AW ;  
*accept answers without 'membrane' where implied previously / later*  
membrane fuses ;  
to form, vacuole / vesicle / phagosome (enclosing bacteria) ; [3 max]
- (c) lysosomes fuse with, vacuole / vesicle / phagosome ;  
**A** form secondary lysosomes  
lysosomes contain, enzymes / named digestive enzyme ;  
(catalyse) hydrolysis / digestion ; **A** breakdown  
(digests / breaks down) protein / murein (or peptidoglycan) / carbohydrate / lipid /  
phospholipid / nucleic acid / DNA / RNA ;  
named bond ; e.g. peptide, glycosidic, ester, phosphodiester [4 max]

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- 2 (a) denature, sucrose / enzyme ; **A** deactivate  
stop the reaction (in each tube at the same time) ;

*idea that* Benedict's test requires a high temperature ;  
ref to reducing sugars ;

[2 max]

- (b) starts at, the origin /  $5 \text{ g dm}^{-3}$ , increases to  $45\text{--}55 \text{ g dm}^{-3}$  ;  
constant from 80 to  $100 \text{ g dm}^{-3}$  ;

[2]

(c) *description*

<i>conc</i>	<i>rate*</i>
5	0.0036
10	0.0069
15	0.0105
20	0.0133
50	0.0213
100	0.0222

*penalise lack of units once only*

- 1 increase in rate of hydrolysis to approx  $50 \text{ g dm}^{-3}$  ;  
**A** decrease in time taken to approx  $50 \text{ g dm}^{-3}$  / correct rate  
calculations\* to show an increase
- 2 remains constant / plateaus / levels out / AW, from approx  $50 \text{ g dm}^{-3}$  to  $100 \text{ g dm}^{-3}$  ;

*explanation to max 4*

- 3 (sucrose / enzyme) hydrolyses / breaks , glycosidic bonds ;
- 4 forming, reducing sugars / glucose / fructose ;
- 5 *idea that* concentration is the limiting factor, at low concentration of, sucrose / substrate ;
- 6 (at low concentrations) active sites, unoccupied / available ;  
**A** as concentration increases, more active sites are occupied / more enzyme-  
substrate complexes formed / AW
- 7 at higher concentrations all active sites, occupied / saturated / AW ;  
**R** enzymes for 'active sites'
- 8 substrate, in excess / AW ;
- 9  $V_{\text{max}}$  reached / working at maximum rate ;

*idea that*

- 10 at higher concentrations, enzyme / sucrose, is the limiting factor ;

[5 max]

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3 (a) so they have the same number of chromosomes (as parent cell) ;

*idea that* cells would be rejected (if genetically different) ;  
ref. to role of the immune system in removing genetically different cells ; [2]

(b) *reject 'smoking' or 'radioactive transmissions' unqualified*

(chemical) carcinogen(s) / named ;  
*any two named chemical carcinogens to max 2 if term carcinogen not used*  
e.g. benzpyrene / ethidium bromide / phenol / tar *check any others*

UV ;  
X rays ;  
ionising radiation ;  
gamma rays ;  
radon ;  
virus(es) / correctly named virus ; **A** HIV / HPV / HTLV / HSV **R** named disease  
genetic / hereditary, factors ; [2 max]

(c) (i) cytokinesis ; [1]

(ii) chromosomes, uncoil / become diffuse / decondense / AW ;

**A** chromosomes unwind / become long and thin

**A** chromosomes become chromatin

**A** cell enters interphase

spindle breaks down / microtubules disassemble / AW ; **R** disappears

nuclear envelope, reforms / forms / forming ; **A** nuclear membrane **R** (re)appears  
nucleolus / nucleoli, reform(s) / forms / forming ; **R** (re)appears

cell membrane, drawn together / furrows / AW ;  
*idea of* role of, microfilaments / AW, in 'drawstring' effect ;

division of cytoplasm / cell separation / cleavage / cleavage furrow develops ;

**A** cytokinesis *if not credited in (i)*

cell membrane fuses ; [3 max]

(iii) divide / replicate, uncontrollably ; **ignore** quickly / fast

**A** uncontrolled mitosis **R** grow uncontrollably

do not, differentiate / become specialised ; **A** loss of function

form an (irregular) mass (of cells) / AW ; **A** (a) growth

promotes growth of blood vessels / AW ;

AVP ; e.g. ref to genes / no programmed cell death / loss of contact inhibition [2 max]

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- 4 (a) (i) moist / AW, surface of mesophyll cells ;  
 water evaporates / evaporation ; *in correct context*  
 from spongy mesophyll cell walls ;  
 into (intercellular) air spaces ;  
 air within leaf is fully saturated ;  
water vapour diffuses through stomata ; **A** 'water' if evaporated
- down water potential gradient / from a high to a low water potential / from  
 less negative to more negative water potential [3 max]
- (ii) mass / water, loss increases from 0400 to 1600 and then decreases ;  
 0.3–4.4 g h<sup>-1</sup> ; **A** other correct comparative data quote with units
- mass / water, uptake increases from 0800 to 1900–1930 and then decreases ;  
 0.8–0.9 – 3.4 g h<sup>-1</sup> ; **A** other correct comparative data quote with units
- rate of, mass / water, loss peaks before rate of water uptake ;  
**A** description related to light (mass loss) and dark (uptake)  
 data quote for times of peaks for both rates ; 1600 and approx 1900
- 0600 to 1600 rate of mass loss, ref. to steeper gradient ;
- (rate of) mass / water, loss is higher than uptake, between 0700 and approx 1830 ;  
**A** ora [4 max]
- (b) cohesion-tension ;  
 cohesion / AW between water molecules ;  
 hydrogen bonds ; *accept here or for adhesion once only*  
 transpiration pull / water is pulled up the xylem / water in a continuous column ;
- ignore** negative / hydrostatic pressure
- adhesion to (cell) walls ;  
 water molecules 'stick' to cellulose / cellulose is hydrophilic ;  
**A** lignin (although it is hydrophobic!) [3 max]

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- 5 (a) (i) H nucleolus ;  
 J Golgi (body / apparatus) ;  
 K cell wall ; R murein / peptidoglycan **ignore** cellulose or chitin  
 L vacuolar membrane / vacuole ; A tonoplast R cell sap [4 max]

- (ii) no double membrane-bound organelles ;  
 no, nucleus / nuclear membrane / nuclear envelope / nucleolus ;  
 A DNA lies free in the cytoplasm  
 no mitochondrion ;  
 mesosomes ;  
 no (large) vacuole ;  
 no, ER / RER / SER ;  
 no Golgi (body / apparatus) ;  
 smaller / 70S / 18nm, ribosomes ;  
 cell wall made of, murein / peptidoglycan / different compounds (from eukaryote) ;  
 circular DNA / plasmid(s) / no linear DNA ;  
 no histones / not complexed with proteins ; A naked DNA / no chromosomes  
 AVP ; e.g. pili / no 9+2 microtubule pattern [2 max]

- (b) nucleus, transcription / described as DNA to complementary RNA code / AW ;

nuclear pore, mRNA to, cytoplasm / ribosome / RER ;  
 RER / ribosome, assembly of amino acids / translation / polypeptide or protein synthesis ;  
 RER, transports protein to Golgi (apparatus / body) / modifies protein ;

Golgi adds, carbohydrates / sugars, to proteins ; A glycosylation

A post translational modification / other e.g.s

Golgi, packages protein / makes vesicle(s) ;

(Golgi) vesicle fuses with cell (surface) membrane ;

mitochondrion, provides / produces / synthesises, ATP *in correct context* ; [4 max]

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6 (a) *community*

all populations / all organisms / all plants + animals (+ microorganisms) ;  
**R** all the species

in same, place / ecosystem / area / (common) habitat, (at same time) ; [2 max]

(b) (i) *award two marks for the correct answer (4.5%)*

*if no answer or incorrect answer or answer to too many decimal places,  
award one mark for working (2946/65 800 × 100)*

2946 / 65 800 (× 100)

4.5 (%) ;; [2 max]

(ii) energy available (from secondary consumers) is too small ; **R** no energy  
2 kJ m<sup>-2</sup> (per week) ; [2]

(iii) decomposers are, saprophytes / saprotrophs / saprobionts / bacteria / fungi ;

plant matter provides little, protein / AW ; ora **A** high carbon / low nitrogen  
plant matter / cellulose / lignin, not easy to decompose ;  
ref. to organic matter / energy source, in plants not easy to obtain ;  
supply of nitrogen is, limiting factor / limits growth of decomposers ;  
(animal waste) protein / amino acids / urea, provides nitrogen ;  
(animal wastes) provide materials for growth of, decomposers ;  
further detail e.g. amino acids for proteins / membrane proteins /  
(hydrolytic) enzymes / other named protein(s) / nucleotides / nucleic acids ;

more decomposers leads to faster decomposition (hence more energy flow) ; [3 max]

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