Questions

Q1.

The fluid mosaic model of cell membranes was first proposed in 1972.

The vacuoles in beetroot cells contain molecules of betalain, a red pigment. Betalains are large polar molecules.

These molecules can leave beetroot cells if the vacuole membrane and the cell surface membrane are damaged.

Explain why betalain molecules cannot move through intact cell membranes.

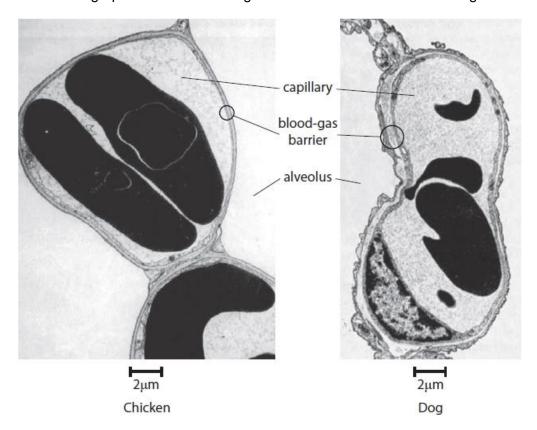
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Q2.

In birds and mammals, gas exchange takes place between the blood in the capillaries and the air in the alveoli.

There are three layers between the blood and the air in the alveoli: the capillary wall, a layer of extracellular matrix and the alveolar wall. This is called the blood-gas barrier.

The electron micrographs show the blood-gas barriers for a chicken and a dog.



Explain how the blood-gas barrier of the chicken is adapted to give more efficient gas exchange than the blood-gas barrier of the dog.

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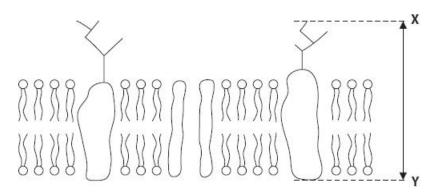
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Q3.

The structure of the cell surface membrane can be explained using the fluid mosaic model.

This model suggests that there are a variety of different proteins and glycoproteins present in a phospholipid bilayer.

The drawing shows the cell surface membrane of a liver cell. The drawing has a magnification of 5×10^6 .



Calculate the actual length of the glycoprotein between points ${\bf X}$ and ${\bf Y}$. Give your answer with an appropriate unit.

(2)

Answer

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Q4.

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phospholipids only

Answer the question with a cross in the box you think is correct \boxtimes . If you change your mind about an answer, put a line through the box \boxtimes and then mark your new answer with a cross \boxtimes .

The fluid mosaic model of cell membranes was first proposed in 1972.

One piece of evidence that was used to support the idea of a phospholipid bilayer was the arrangement of phospholipid molecules on a surface between air and water.

(i) Complete the diagram to show the arrangement of four phospholipid mo	lecules at this
surface.	
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water

(ii) Which of the molecules found in cell membranes have hydrophilic regions?

A channel proteins only
 B only phospholipids and channel proteins
 C phospholipids, channel proteins and cholesterol

Q5.

Diffusion and active transport are mechanisms by which molecules can enter cells.	
Compare and contrast these two mechanisms.	
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(Total for question = 3 marks)

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cell.	
Compare and contrast the processes of endocytosis and exocytosis.	
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Endocytosis and exocytosis are processes that move large molecules into a cell or out of a

Q7.

The cell surface membrane controls the movement of substances into the cell.

The concentrations of two substances inside the cytoplasm of a cell and in the fluid surrounding the cell were investigated.

The table shows the concentrations of these two substances.

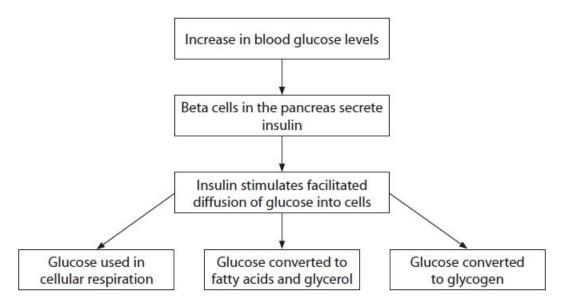
Substance	Description of substance	Concentration in cytoplasm / mmol dm ⁻³	Concentration in fluid surrounding the cell / mmol dm ⁻³
sodium	small ion	140.0	9.0
glucose	large polar molecule	0.1	14.9

(i) Explain why ATP is required for the movement of sodium ions into the cell.	
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(ii) Describe how glucose molecules move into the cell.	•
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Q8.

The internal conditions within the body are maintained by homeostatic mechanisms. The regulation of blood glucose involves homeostatic mechanisms.

The diagram shows part of the sequence of events when there is an increase in blood glucose levels.



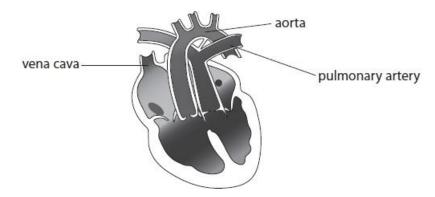
Describe now glucose moves into cells by facilitated diffusion.	(2)
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Q9.

Gl	ycoproteins and phospholipids are molecules found in the cell surface membrane.	
(i)	Give one function of the glycoproteins found in the cell surface membrane.	(1)
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(ii)	A cell surface membrane is partially permeable.	
	The phospholipid bilayer is important in controlling the movement of molecules through the membrane. Explain how the structure of a phospholipid molecule contributes to the partial permeability of a cell surface membrane.	
	partial permeability of a cell surface membrane.	(3)
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Q10.

A baby was born with an abnormal heart. The diagram shows the heart of this baby. There is a hole in the septum between the two ventricles.

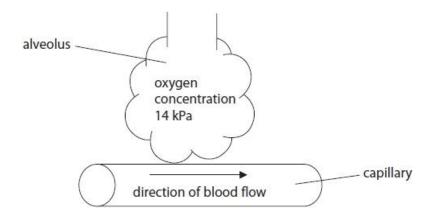


Oxygen diffuses between the alveoli of the lungs and the blood.

Fick's Law shows how three factors affect the rate of diffusion:

Rate of diffusion =
$$\frac{\text{surface area} \times \text{concentration difference}}{\text{diffusion distance}}$$

The diagram and the table give information about the oxygen concentration in the alveoli and in the blood.



Heart	Oxygen concentration / kPa		
neart	Blood entering the lungs	Blood leaving the lungs	
Normal	5	13	
With hole in the septum between the ventricles	8	10	

Assess the effect of this heart defect on the rate of oxygen diffusion between the alveoligand the blood.	
	(6)

Q11.

Emphysema is a condition that causes changes to the tissues in the lungs.

In an investigation, the surface area for gas exchange and the volume of the lungs of three groups of individuals were determined. The results are shown in the table.

Measurement	Individuals without emphysema	Individuals with mild emphysema	Individuals with severe emphysema
Mean surface area for gas exchange / m²	118 ± 11	97 ± 8	30 ± 5
Mean total lung volume / cm ³	4772 ± 223	6232 ± 410	6725 ± 384
Mean surface area for gas exchange : volume ratio	247.3 : 1		44.6 : 1

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		ch of the following would rence is significant?	d be a relevant stat	istical test to determ	ine whether this	
	une	rence is significant:				(1)
Š	Α	chi-squared				
	В	correlation coefficient				
	С	standard deviation				
Š	D	Student's t-test				

(iii)	Give reasons for the variation in the lung volumes of healthy individuals.	
		(2)
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	Give a reason for calculating the surface area for gas exchange to volume ratio in this estigation.	;
		(1)

Q12.

Blood type is an example of inherited variation.

Blood types A, B, AB and O are determined by a single gene.

Give two differences between endocytosis and exocytosis.

Blood types are due to the presence or absence of antigens on the cell surface membranes of red blood cells.

These antigens are glycoproteins.

Antigens on the cell membranes of microbes can stimulate endocytosis and exocytosis in white blood cells.

These processes are involved in transport through a cell surface membrane.

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Q13.

All cells have a cell surface membrane.	
Explain how phospholipids form a cell surface membrane.	
	(3)

Q14.

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explain why individuals with severe emphysema will tire more easily than healthy individuals.
(3)

Q15.

Explain why the phospholipids are arranged in two layers in a cell surface membrane.	
	(3)
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(Total for question = 3 marl	ks)

Q16.

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Fick's law of diffusion can be used to calculate a value for the effectiveness of the uptake of oxygen by the lungs.

This value can be calculated using the equation

$$value = \frac{surface~area \times concentration~difference}{diffusion~distance}$$

The diffusion distance in alveoli is 0.5 µm.

The mean oxygen concentration in alveoli is 14 kPa and in the capillaries is 5 kPa.

The calculated value for healthy individuals is 2124.

(i) Calculate the value for individuals with severe emphysema.

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(ii) Calculate the percentage difference between the value for individuals with severe emphysema and the value for individuals without emphysema.

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Answer

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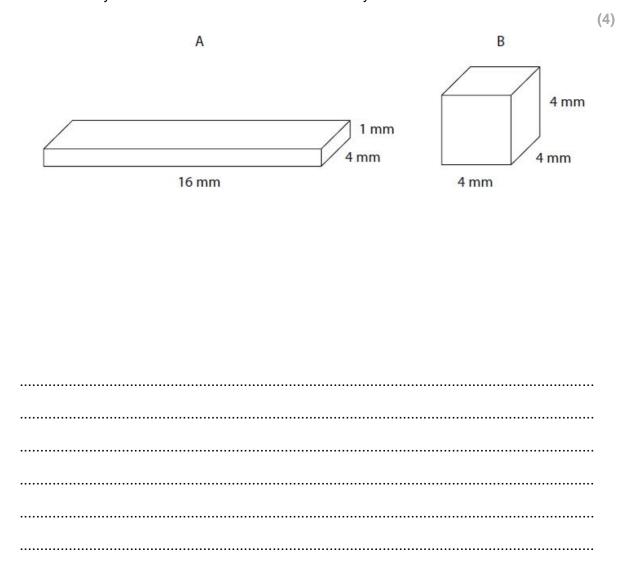
Describe the function of carrier proteins in a cell surface membrane.	
	(4)

Q18.

Scientists can use models to explain the need for a circulation system in animals.

The shapes in the diagram represent two different animals that live in water. The figures represent the height, width and breadth of the animals.

Determine why animal A does not need a circulation system but animal B does.



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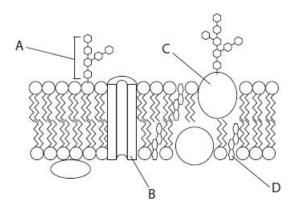
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Blood plasma	contains glucose	dissolved in wat	er. Glucose is	a polar molecule	that is taken
up by muscle	cells and used in	the synthesis of	glycogen.		

Describe how glucose enters muscle cells through the cell membrane.	
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Q20.

The diagram shows part of a cell surface membrane.



Which of the molecules labelled in the diagram is a glycoprotein?

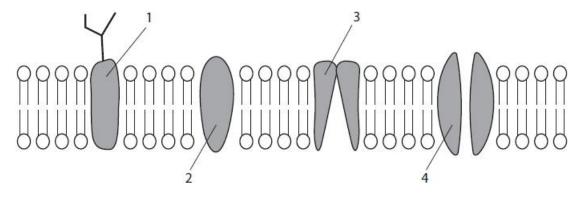
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Q21.

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The structure of the cell surface membrane can be described by the fluid mosaic model.

The diagram shows the fluid mosaic model of the cell surface membrane.



(i) Which of the shaded structures transport charged molecules or ions across the membrane?

		(1)
Α	1 and 2 only	. ,
В	3 and 4 only	
С	1, 2 and 3 only	
D	1, 2, 3 and 4	

(ii) Which of the shaded structures contain both hydrophilic regions and hydrophobic regions?

		(1)
Α	1 and 2 only	,
В	3 and 4 only	
С	1, 2 and 3 only	
D	1, 2, 3 and 4	

(iii) A student measured the width of the phospholipid bilayer shown on the diagram as 2.5 cm. The actual size of this bilayer is 5 nm. What is the approximate magnification of the diagram?

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	В	× 50 000			
	С	× 500 000			
	D	× 5 000 000			

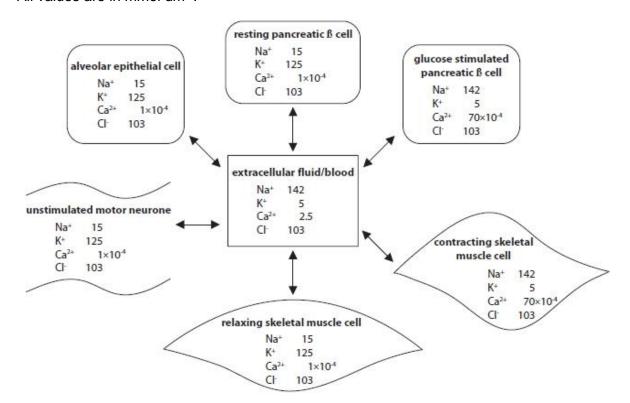
Q22.

*Cells use ions in many different processes.

Ion transport across cell membranes is a fundamental property of all living cells.

The diagram shows some typical ion concentrations in healthy human cells and in the extracellular fluid.

All values are in mmol dm⁻³.



The tables show information about the human genome and types of transport channel in humans.

Some information about the human genome				
Number of genes in the human genome	approximately 20 000			
Number of genes coding for membrane proteins	approximately 5 400			
Number of genes coding for proteins involved in the transport of ions across cell membranes	more than 350			
Number of diseases associated with mutations in genes involved in the transport of ions across cell membranes	more than 28			
Organs and systems in which ion channel mutations cause disease	central nervous system, heart, lungs, pancreas and skeletal muscle			

Type of transport channel Voltage gated ion channels Chloride channels	Number of each type of transport channel		
Voltage gated ion channels	147		
Chloride channels	17		
Active transport	81		

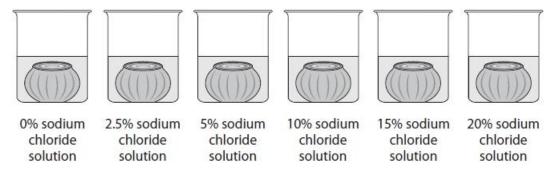
Discuss the importance of ion transport across membranes in human health and disease.

Q23.

Pickling is a technique used to preserve food. Onions can be pickled by immersing them in a solution of sodium chloride.

A student investigated the effects of changing the concentration of sodium chloride solution on the mass of onion tissue. Small onions were peeled, had their tops and bottoms cut off and were weighed. The onions were then placed into covered beakers containing different concentrations of sodium chloride solution.

Six beakers were set up as shown in the diagram.



The beakers were left for two days. The onions were removed, blotted dry and reweighed. The investigation was repeated two more times.

The mean percentage change in mass was calculated.

The results of the investigation are shown in the table.

odium chloride	Percentage change in mass (%)				
solution (%)	1	2	3	Mean	SD
0.0	7.3	7.1	7.9	7.4	0.4
2.5	3.2	4.7	5.8	4.6	
5.0	-1.3	-0.9	-1.2	-1.1	0.2
10.0	0.6	-0.8	-1.9	-0.7	1.3
15.0	-2.1	-1.8	-2.9	-2.3	0.6
20.0	-2.2	-2.4	-1.9	-2.2	0.3

(i)	Explain one way in which this investigation could be improved.				
		(2)			

$$S = \sqrt{\frac{\sum (x - \overline{x})^2}{n - 1}}$$

Calculate the standard deviation for the 2.5% sodium chloride solution.

(2)

	Answer
(iii) Deduce the effect of increasing the concent mass of the onion tissue.	tration of sodium chloride on the change in
	(3)

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All cells have a cell surface membrane.	

Cell surface membranes regulate the movement of substances into and out of cells.

(i)	Which of the f	following des	scribes the	movement of	f water b	by osmosis?
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□ A against a solute concentration gradient through a fully permeable membrane
 □ B against a solute concentration gradient through a partially permeable membrane
 □ C down a solute concentration gradient through a fully permeable membrane
 □ D down a solute concentration gradient through a partially permeable membrane

(ii) The concentration of potassium ions inside an animal cell is many times higher than the concentration of potassium ions in the extracellular fluid.

Which mechanism is responsible for the uptake of potassium ions by this animal cell?

(1)

(1)

- A active transport
- B exocytosis
- C osmosis
- D passive diffusion
- (iii) Glucose enters cells by facilitated diffusion.

Which part of the cell surface membrane allows facilitated diffusion of glucose?

(1)

- A cholesterol
- B glycolipid
- C phospholipid
- **D** protein

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In the lungs,	oxygen moves from the alveoli into red blood cells.
` '	by times does an oxygen molecule cross a cell surface membrane to move from an alveolus to the centre of a red blood cell?
□ A 2 □ B 3 □ C 4 □ D 5	3 4
(ii) Oxygen e	enters the red blood cell by
☐ B c	active transport diffusion facilitated diffusion osmosis
	(Total for question = 2 marks)

Q26.

All organisms exchange gases with their environment.

Sailor's eyeball (Valonia ventricosa) is a single-celled, spherical organism.

One of these organisms can have a diameter of 1 cm to 4 cm.



The table shows the diameter, surface area and volume of different Valonia ventricosa cells.

Diameter / cm	1	2	4
Surface area / cm²	3.14	12.57	50.27
Volume / cm³	0.52	4.19	

(i) The volume of a sphere can be calculated using the following equation.

$$V = \frac{4\pi r^3}{3}$$

What is the volume of a cell with a diameter of 4 cm?

(1)

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■ B 33.51 cm³

□ C 268.08 cm²

☑ D 268.08 cm³

(ii) Describe why single-celled organisms, such as Valonia ventricosa, do not nee specialised gas exchange surface.	ed a (2)

Q27.

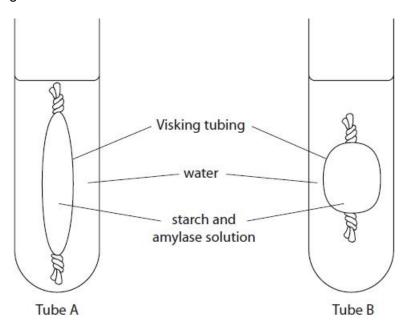
A student placed the same volume of starch suspension into two bags made of Visking tubing.

Each bag had a different length and width. The thickness of the Visking tubing for each bag was the same.

The membrane of the Visking tubing is partially permeable.

The same volume and concentration of amylase solution was added to the starch suspension.

Each bag was sealed and placed into test tubes containing the same volume of water, as shown in the diagram.



The water was tested at regular intervals for the presence of maltose.

Maltose was detected in the water in tube A before it was detected in the water in tube B.

Assess the factors that would cause maltose to be detected in tube A before tube B.

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Q28.

Hereditary spherocytosis is a condition that affects red blood cells.

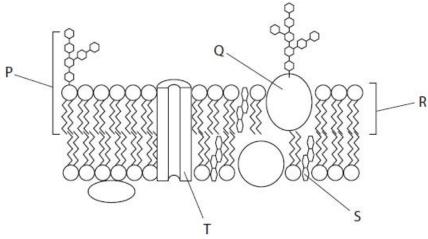
This inherited condition is caused by a gene mutation that affects the shape of the cell surface membrane.

Describe the structure of the cell surface membrane.	
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Q29.

Answer the questions with a cross in the boxes you think are correct \boxtimes . If you change your mind about an answer, put a line through the box \boxtimes and then mark your new answer with a cross \boxtimes .

The diagram shows the structure of a cell surface membrane.



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(i)		lecule labelled R is a phospholipid. e name of the bond that joins a fatty acid molecule to a glycerol molecule in a olipid.	(4)
			(1)
(ii)		of the following describes molecule P?	(1)
	A B C D	carrier protein cholesterol glycolipid glycoprotein	(1)
(iii)) Which	of the following molecules is involved in cell recognition?	
	A B C D	Q R S T	(1)
(iv) Which	molecule allows ions to diffuse into a cell?	
	A B C D	P Q R T	(1)
		(Total for question = 4 mar	ks)

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All organisms exchange gases with their environment.	
Mammalian lungs are adapted for rapid gas exchange.	
Explain how the structure of the human lungs enables rapid gas exchange.	
	(4)

Mark Scheme

Q1.

Question Number	Answer	Additional Guidance	Mark
	An explanation which makes reference to the following:		
	 betalain molecules are too large (to move through the cell membrane) (1) 		(3)
	 there are no {carrier / channel} proteins for betalain molecules (to move through) (1) 		
	 betalain molecules are polar and {are repelled by hydrophobic fatty acid tails / cannot move through fatty acid tails} 		

Q2.

Question Number	Answer	Additional Guidance	Mark
	An explanation that makes reference to three of the following:		
	thinner blood-gas barrier (1)		
	because of thinner { alveolar walls / capillary walls / extracellular matrix layer } (1)		
	therefore a reduced diffusion distance (1)		
	a faster rate of { diffusion / gas exchange } (1)	ALLOW greater rate	3

Q3.

Question Number	Answer	Additional Guidance	Mark
		Example of calculation	
	 width of X to Y ÷ magnification (1) 	50(mm) ÷ 5 000 000 / 5(cm) ÷ 5 000 000	
	 correct answer with appropriate units (1) 	10 nm / 0.01 μm	(2)

Q4.

Question Number	Answer	Additional Guidance	Mark
(i)	 4 phospholipids drawn correctly with phosphate head and 2 fatty acid tails (1) the phosphate head should be in the water and fatty acid tails should be in the air (1) 		(2)

Question Number	Answer	Additional Guidance	Mark
(ii)	C – phospholipids, channel proteins and cholesterol		
	A is incorrect because phospholipids and cholesterol also have hydrophilic regions		(1)
	B is incorrect because cholesterol also has hydrophilic regions		
	D is incorrect because channel proteins and cholesterol also have hydrophilic regions		

Q5.

Question Number	Answer	Additional Guidance	Mark
	An answer that makes reference to three of the following:		
	<u>Similarities</u>		
	both move molecules through the {phospholipid bilayer / cell surface membrane} (1)	ALLOW { partially / semi permeable } membrane	
	(in both) molecules can move through proteins (1)		
	Differences		
	diffusion occurs down a concentration gradient whereas active transport occurs against a concentration gradient (1)	ALLOW diffusion from high to low concentration and active transport from low to high concentration	(3)
	diffusion is {passive / does not require ATP} whereas active transport requires ATP (1)	ALLOW energy for ATP	

Q6.

Question Number	Answer		Additional Guidance	Mark
	An explanation which makes reference to three of the f	following:		
	Similarities			
	both processes involve vesicles	(1)	IGNORE secretory	
	both processes involve energy from ATP	(1)	IGNORE active transport	
	Differences		Lisinsport	
	 exocytosis involves {molecules / substances} leaving endocytosis involves {molecules / substances} 	g the cell whereas		
	entering the cell	(1)		
	 exocytosis involves vesicles fusing with cell surface whereas endocytosis involves the formation of 	membrane		
	vesicles (from the cell surface membrane)	(1)		(21)
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Q7.

Question Number	Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
(i)	An explanation which makes reference to the following: • sodium ions are being moved against the concentration gradient (1) • (through proteins) using active transport (1)	ALLOW from low concentration in tissue fluid to a higher concentration in cytoplasm	(2)

Question Number	Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
(ii)	A description which makes reference to the following:		
	 by facilitated diffusion (1) 		
	 through (carrier) proteins (in the phospholipid bilayer) (1) 	ignore channel proteins	(2)

Q8.

Question Number	Answer	Additional Guidance	Mark
(i)	A description that makes reference to two of the following: • carrier protein (in cell surface	IGNORE channel	
	membrane)	protein	
	(glucose moves from) high to low concentration	ALLOW 'down a concentration gradient'	
	 glucose binds to (carrier) protein / (carrier) protein changes shape to move glucose (across the membrane) (1) 		(2)

Question Number	Answer	Additional Guidance	Mark
(ii)	An explanation that makes reference to three of the following:		
	 polymer of glucose to provide glucose for respiration 	ALLOW polysaccharide /made of many glucose monomers DO NOT ALLOW β- glucose	
	 {branched / contains 1,6-glycosidic bonds / has many terminal ends} for rapid hydrolysis 	IGNORE 'easy to hydrolyse' ALLOW break down instead of hydrolyse	
	 compact to allow large amount (of glucose / energy) to be stored in a small space / insoluble therefore no osmotic effect on cells 		(3)

Q9.

Question Number	Answer	Additional Guidance	Mark
(i)	An answer which makes reference to the following: cell recognition / receptors (on cell surface membrane) / antigens	ALLOW involved in cell signalling	
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Question Number	Answer	Additional Guidance	Mark
(ii)	An explanation which makes reference to the following:		
	(phospholipid molecule) contains a {polar / hydrophilic} (phosphate) head and {non-polar / hydrophobic} fatty acid chains (1) allows {fat-soluble/non-polar} molecules to pass through (the membrane) (1) {polar / ionic} molecules cannot pass through (phospholipid bilayer) (1)	ALLOW tail for fatty acid chain	
	3.13,2.7 (2)	ALLOW charged	(3)

Q10.

Question Number	Answer
	Answers will be credited according to candidate's knowledge and understanding of the material in relation to the qualities and skills outlined in the generic mark scheme.
	The indicative content below is not prescriptive and candidates are not required to include all the material which is indicated as relevant. Additional content included in the response must be scientific and relevant.
	 rate of diffusion would be lower with abnormal heart blood entering lungs from an abnormal heart has more oxygen, 8kPa, than blood entering lungs from a normal heart, 5kPa oxygen in blood increased by only 2kPa instead of 8kPa with abnormal heart resulting in a smaller difference in concentration between the alveoli and the red blood cells i.e. 14-8/14-5 or 6 and 9kPa the surface area of the alveoli and distance for diffusion are not affected Fick's law states that concentration gradient is proportional to rate of gas exchange a lower concentration gradient for oxygen between the alveoli and the blood results in a lower rate of oxygen diffusion NOTE – 'the pieces of scientific information provided' could be any from: the information about the defective heart / diagram of alveolus / table of data

Level	Mark	Descriptor
0	0	No awardable content
1 1-2		An answer may be attempted but with limited interpretation or analysis of the scientific information with a focus on mainly just one piece of scientific information.
		The explanation will contain basic information with some attempt made to link knowledge and understanding to the given context.
2	3-4	An answer will be given with occasional evidence of analysis, interpretation and/or evaluation of the pieces of scientific information provided.
		The explanation shows some linkages and lines of scientific reasoning with some structure.
3	5-6	An answer is made which is supported throughout by sustained application of relevant evidence of analysis, interpretation and/or evaluation of the pieces of scientific information provided.
		The explanation shows a well-developed and sustained line of scientific reasoning which is clear and logically structured.

Q11.

Question number	Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
(i)		Example of Calculation:	2.
	 conversion of surface area from m² to cm² (1) 	97 x 10000 = 970 000	
	correctly dividing surface area by volume to determine ratio (1)	divided by lung volume of 6232	
		Correct ratio of 155.6:1 (ALLOW 155.65:1)	
		ALLOW one mark only for 0.0155:1 / 0.156:1 / 155.6	
		Correct answer with no working gains full marks	(2)

Question number	Answer	Mark
(ii)	The only correct answer is D – Student's t-test	
	A is not correct because chi- squared does not test difference between means	
	B is not correct because there is no correlation to test	
	C is not correct because SD does not compare means	(1)

Question number	Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
(iii)	An answer that makes reference to two of the following points:		
	different { height / weight / mass } (1)	IGNORE 'size'	
	different { gender / sex } (1)	ALLOW 'men have larger lungs than women'	
	different age (1)	0.54	(2)

Question number	Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
(iv)	to allow (valid) comparison / show differences (1)		(1)

Q12.

Question Number	Answer	Additional Guidance	Mark
	 An answer that makes reference to the following: exocytosis involves {molecules / substances} leaving the cell whereas endocytosis involves {molecules / substances} entering the cell (1) exocytosis involves vesicles fusing with cell surface membrane whereas endocytosis involves the formation of vesicles (from the cell surface membrane) (1) 	ALLOW exocytosis involves vesicles fusing with cell surface membrane whereas endocytosis does not involve vesicles fusing with cell surface membrane	(2)

Q13.

Question Number	Answer	Additional Guidance	Mark
	An explanation that makes reference to the following:	ALLOW converse	
	hydrophilic parts associate with water (1)	ALLOW phosphate groups associate with water	
	 hydrophobic parts {associate with each other / repel water }(1) 	ALLOW fatty acids face away from water	
	a bilayer forms with hydrophobic parts pointing { in towards the centre of the bilayer / towards each other } (1)	ALLOW annotated diagram to show arrangement of phospholipids	3

Q14.

Question number	Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
	An explanation that makes reference to three of the following points:		
	{ smaller surface area / increased diffusion distance } for gas exchange (1)	ALLOW smaller SA:vol	
	therefore reduction in oxygen uptake (1)		
	therefore less oxygen for aerobic respiration (1)		
	leading to more anaerobic respiration (causing fatigue) (1)		(3)

Q15.

Question Number	Answer	Additional Guidance	Mark
	An explanation that makes reference to the following:		
	hydrophilic region (of phospholipid) orientated towards water (1)	ALLOW phosphate head / polar region	
	(and) hydrophobic regions away from the water (1)	ALLOW hydrocarbon chain / fatty acid tails	
		e.g. separating tissue fluid from cytoplasm	
	 (but need the two layers as) { water-based / aqueous } solution either side of the cell membrane (1) 		(3)

Q16.

Question number	Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
(i)	values substituted into the equation (1)	Example of calculation: (30 x 9) ÷ 0.5	
	correct answer (1)	= 540 Correct answer with no working gains full marks	(2)
(ii)	calculation of the difference using the value from (i) (1)	Example of calculation: 2124 - 540 (= 1584)	
	correct answer (1)	1584/ 2124 x 100 = 74.6% or 75%	
		ECF full marks if calculated correctly for value other than 540	
		Correct answer with no working gains full marks	(2)

Q17.

Question Number	Answer	Additional Guidance	Mark
	A description that makes reference to four of the following:		
	involved in facilitated diffusion (1)		
	 movement of { large molecules / polar molecules / ions } (1) 	ALLOW charged molecules	
	(facilitated diffusion) from a high concentration to a low concentration (1)		
	involved in active transport (1)		
	needs ATP to move molecules against concentration gradient (1)	ALLOW needs ATP to move molecules from low concentration to high	
		concentration	(4)

Q18.

Question	Answe	er	Additional	Mark
Number			guidance	
	An an follow	swer the makes reference to four of the ring:		
		both have same volume (1)	ALLOW both have a	
		1.0	volume of 64 mm ³	
	•	animal A has a larger surface area (1)	ALLOW converse ALLOW figures given (e.g. 168 mm² v 96mm²) or difference given as 72 mm²	
	•	animal A has a larger surface area to volume ratio (1)	ALLOW {168:64 / 2.6:1} compared to {96:64 / 1.5:1}	
	•	so sufficient (surface area in animal A) for diffusion (1)	ALLOW converse	
	***	distance to cells in centre of A is shorter than for B allowing {quicker/sufficient} diffusion / shorter diffusion distance (in A) (1)	ALLOW converse	(4)

Q19.

Question Number	Answer	Additional Guidance	Mark
	A description that makes reference to the following:		
	carrier proteins (located in membrane) (1)	ALLOW channel proteins	
	(glucose enters by) facilitated diffusion (1)		(3)

Q20.

Question Number		Answer	Mark
	С		(1)

Q21.

Question Number	Answer	Mark
(i)	The only correct answer is B 3 and 4 only	
	A is incorrect because 1 and 2 do not transport charged molecules or ions across membranes	
	C is incorrect because 1 and 2 do not transport charged molecules or ions across membranes and 4 does transport	
	D is incorrect because 1 and 2 do not transport charged molecules or ions across membranes	(1)

Question Number	Answer	Mark
(ii)	The only correct answer is D 1, 2, 3 and 4	
	A is incorrect because 3 and 4 also have both these regions	
	B is incorrect because 1 and 2 also have both these regions	
	C is incorrect because 4 also has both these regions	(1)

Question Number	Answer	Mark
(iii)	D - x 5 000 000	
	The only correct answer is $D - (2.5 \div 5) \times 10^7$	
	A is incorrect	
	B is incorrect	
	C is incorrect	(1)

Q22.

Question number	Answer	Mark
	Answers will be credited according to candidate's deployment of knowledge and	
	understanding of the material in relation to the qualities and skills outlined in the	
	generic mark scheme.	
	The indicative content below is not prescriptive, and candidates are not required to	
	include all the material which is indicated as relevant. Additional content included in	
	the response must be scientific and relevant.	
	Reference to role of ions in	
	nerve conduction	
	release of neurotransmitters	
	muscle contraction	
	Mention of	
	passive diffusion through ion channels	
	active transport against concentration gradients	
	Examples of ion transport	
	active transport – sodium potassium pump	
	hydrogen ions in chemiosmosis	
	calcium channels in pre-synaptic knob	
	sodium and potassium channels in neurones	
	Idea that ions moving down a concentration gradient can do work	
	ATP synthase in chemiosmosis	
	cotransporters	
	lon channels in disease	
	chloride channels in cystic fibrosis	
	credit any other sensible suggestions	
	•	
	Ideas around control	
	 lots of different genes/proteins involved in transporting ions across 	
	membranes	
	specificity of channels for particular ions	
	 control of opening and closing of different channels 	
		(9)

Level	Marks		Additional Guidance
0	0	No awardable content	
1	1-3	Demonstrates isolated elements of biological knowledge and understanding to the given context with generalised comments made.	simple description of data provided
		Vague statements related to consequences are made with limited linkage to a range of scientific ideas, processes, techniques and procedures.	discussion of one aspect from specification e.g. role of ions in action potentials / muscle contraction / mucus production
		The discussion will contain basic information with some attempt made to link knowledge and understanding to the given context.	pri diff. (1.000)
2	4-6	Demonstrates adequate knowledge and understanding by selecting and applying some relevant biological facts/concepts.	Level 1 criteria plus
		Consequences are discussed which are occasionally supported through linkage to a range of scientific ideas, processes, techniques and procedures.	disscussion of another aspects from specification including consideration in {disease / ill-health} in at least one
		The discussion shows some linkages and lines of scientific reasoning with some structure.	
3	7-9	Demonstrates comprehensive knowledge and understanding by selecting and applying relevant knowledge of biological facts/concepts.	Level 2 criteria plus appropriate use of data from tables linked to health or disease
		Consequences are discussed which are supported throughout by sustained linkage to a range of scientific ideas, processes, techniques or procedures.	or
5		The discussion shows a well-developed and sustained line of scientific reasoning which is clear and logically structured.	attempt at higher level reasoning e.g explaining role of {ion gradients / active transport of ions} expanding on role of mutations in disease beyond cystic fibrosis / discussion of channel specificity or evolution of variety of channels with many functions

Q23.

Question Number	Answer		Additional Guidance	Mark
(i)	explanation that makes reference to the following:			
	same {age / type} of onion (1) increases {repeatability / validity} (1)			
	OR • smaller concentration intervals (1) • increasing {confidence in / validity of} conclus (1)	ion		
	OR same {temperature / surface area of onion} due to effect on osmosis	(1) (1)		(2)

Question Number	Answer	Additional Guidance	Mark
(ii)		Example of calculation	
	correct calculation of numerator (1)	$\sum (xx - x\bar{x})^2 = 3.41$	
		(3.2 - 4.6) ² + (4.7 - 4.6) ² + (5.8 - 4.6) ²	
	correct calculation of standard deviation (1)		
	(±)	22	
		1.3 / 1.31 / 1.306 / 1.3057	
		Correct answer no working scores full marks	
		ALLOW ECF if number other than 3.41 calculated	(2)

Question Number	Answer		Additional Guidance	Mark
(iii)	An answer which makes reference to three of the following	owing:		
	2.5% (sodium chloride solution) resulted in an inci (1)	rease in mass		
	 an increase (in sodium chloride solution) from 5% 	to {15% /		
	20%} resulted in a loss in mass	(1)		
	because of the movement of water by osmosis	(1)		
	 (SD) values overlap for {5% and 10% / 10% and 15 20% / 15% and 20%} (sodium chloride solution) the (significant) difference 	3 - 53		
				(3)

Q24.

Question Number	Answer	Mark
(i)	The only correct answer is B -	
	against a solute concentration gradient through a partially permeable membrane	
	A is not correct because in osmosis water moves against a solute concentration gradient - through a partially permeable membrane	
	C is not correct because in osmosis water moves against a solute concentration gradient - through a partially permeable membrane	
	D is not correct because in osmosis water moves against a solute concentration gradient - through a partially permeable membrane	1

Question Number	Answer	Mark
(ii)	The only correct answer is A – Active transport	
	B is not correct because exocytosis s an export process	
	C is not correct because osmosis describes the movement of water (solvent) molecules	
	D is not correct because passive diffusion take place down a concentration gradient	1

Question Number	Answer	Mark
(iii)	The only correct answer is D - Protein	
	A is not correct because carrier molecules or channel used for facilitated diffusion are proteins	
	B is not correct because carrier molecules or channel used for facilitated diffusion are proteins	
	C is not correct because carrier molecules or channel used for facilitated diffusion are proteins	
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Q25.

Question Number	Answer	Mark
(i)	The only correct answer is D - 5	
	A is not correct because oxygen has to travel across both sides of a cell in the alveolus wall plus both sidesof the capillary wall cell as well as across the cell surface membrane of a red blood cell. This summates to5, not 2.	
	B is not correct because oxygen has to travel across both sides of a cell in the alveolus wall plus both sidesof the capillary wall cell as well as across the cell surface membrane of a red blood cell. This summates to5, not 3.	(1)
	C is not correct because oxygen has to travel across both sides of a cell in the alveolus wall plus both sides of the capillary wall cell as well as across the cell surface membrane of a red blood cell. This summates to5, not 4.	

Question Number	Answer	Mark
(ii)	The only correct answer is B (diffusion)	
	A is not correct because oxygen does not enter a red blood cell by active transport	
	$oldsymbol{c}$ is not correct because oxygen does not enter a red blood cell through facilitated diffusion	
	D is not correct because oxygen does not enter a red blood cell through osmosis	(1)

Q26.

Question Number	Answer	Mark
(i)	The only correct answer is B 33.51cm ³	
	A is not correct because volume needs cm ³	
	C is not correct because volume needs cm ³	
	D is not correct because the equation requires the diameter to be halved	(1)

Question Number	Answer	Additional Guidance	Mark
(ii)	A description that makes reference to two of the following:		
	they can rely on diffusion to {take in oxygen / remove wastes} (1)		
	large surface area to volume ratio (allows diffusion to occur at a sufficient rate) (1)		
	short diffusion distance (1)		(2)

Q27.

Question Number	Answer	Additional Guidance	Mark
	 An answer which makes reference to four of the following: for Tube A the surface area was greater (than tubing B / shorter distance for diffusion in Tube A (1) (Ficks law states that) rate of diffusion is {proportional to surface area / inversely proportional to distance for diffusion} (1) 	ALLOW length of tubing A was greater	(4)
	 (therefore) increased rate of diffusion (of maltose) (1) Tube A could have had a higher {concentration of starch / temperature} (1) a higher {concentration gradient / higher temperature} would increase the rate of diffusion (1) 	ALLOW movement for diffusion	

Q28.

Question Number	Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
	A description that makes reference to three of the following		
	cell membrane is (mainly) phospholipids and protein (1)		
	phospholipids form a bilayer (1)	ALLOW proteins embedded in the	
	 proteins float in the phospholipids / change position / fluidmosaic model (1) 	phospholipid bilayer	
	proteins may span the bilayer or be	ALLOW proteins may be intrinsic /extrinsic	
	located in only onelayer (1)	IGNORE function of proteins such as carrier/ channel	(3)

Q29.

Question Number	Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
(i)	• ester (bond) (1)	ALLOW covalent (bond)	(1)

Question Number	Answer	Mark
(ii)	The only correct answer is – C - glycolipid	
	A is incorrect because structure P is not a carrier protein	
	B is incorrect because structure S is cholesterol	
	D is incorrect because structure R is a glycoprotein	(1

Question Number	Answer	Mark
(iii)	The only correct answer is - A - Q	
	B is incorrect because structure R is not involved in cell recognition	
	C is incorrect because structure S is not involved in cell recognition	
	D is incorrect because structure T is not involved in cell recognition	(1)

Question Number	Answer	Mark
(iv)	The only correct answer is – D - T which is a channel protein	
	A is incorrect because structure P is involved in cell recognition	
	B is incorrect because structure Q does not allow ions to diffuse into a cell	(1)
	C is incorrect because structure R does not allow ions to diffuse into a cell	x - 7

Q30.

Question Number	Answer	Additional Guidance	Mark
9	An explanation that makes reference to the following:		3
	many alveoli provide a large surface area (1)		
	{alveoli / capillaries} have walls that are one cell thick providing a short distance for diffusion (1)	ALLOW thin walls	
	high concentration gradient maintained by {circulation / ventilation} (1)		
	extensive capillary network around alveoli provides large surface area for gas exchange (1)		