

Mark Scheme (Results)

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Pearson Edexcel International Advanced Level in Biology (WBI13) Paper 01 Practical Skills in Biology I

Question number	Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
1(a)(i)	• concentration of sucrose (solution) (1)	Accept sucrose concentration	
		Do not accept 'sucrose'	
		without concentration	(1)

Question number	Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
1(a)(ii)	• temperature / pH (1)	Accept light intensity	(1)

Question number	Answer		Additional guidance	Mark
1(a)(iii)	 An explanation that includes the following points: an effect of the factor on the germination (1) 		Accept growth Do not accept reference to seeds	
	 because enzymes are involved in (pollen germination/metabolism) (1) 			
	 description of {metabolism/enzymes} being affected by the factor 	(1)		(3)

A graph showing the following features: • A axes the right way round (x = sucrose conc., y = percentage germination) and linear scale (1) • L axes correctly labelled with units (x - sucrose concentration, g dm-3, y - percentage germination of pollen grains (1) • P correct plotting of all values (1) • S line joining points accurately ruled (1)	Question number	Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
(4)	1(b)(i)	 A axes the right way round (x = sucrose conc., y = percentage germination) and linear scale (1) L axes correctly labelled with units (x - sucrose concentration, g dm-3, y - percentage germination of pollen grains (1) P correct plotting of all values (1) 	Descentation of sucrose solution	(4)

Question number	Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
1(b)(ii)	 An explanation that includes the following points: repeat investigation using more sucrose concentrations (1) 		
	 between 20 and 60 g dm-3 (1) 		(2)

Question number	Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
1(c)(i)	A calculation showing the following steps:		
	 selection of correct values from the table (1) 	166 – 78 / 88	
	calculation of percentage (1)	Example of calculation:	
		(88 ÷ 78) × 100 = 112.82 %	
		Accept 113/112.8/112.821	
		Correct answer with no working gains both marks	(2)

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1(c)(ii)	An answer that includes five of the following points:		
	 use a range of at least 5 concentrations of (sucrose) solutions (1) detail of dilution method using the sucrose solution (of 500 g dm⁻³) (1) 	Accept stock and distilled water as one of the concentrations.	
	at least one control variable named (1)		
	 use 100 ppm boric acid solution (1) 		
	 use a microscope and graticule to measure pollen tube length (1) 		
	 stated times (for measurements of pollen tube) (1) 		(5)

Question number	Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
2(a)(i)	A description which includes the following points:	Accept Fehling's or other suitable	
	 use of Benedict's (reagent) (1) 	test	
	• heating (1)	Accept water bath qualified e.g. hot/warm/boiling/stated temperature above 40°C	(2)

Question	Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
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2(a)(ii)	An explanation that includes the following points:		
	 use same mass for each food (1) 	Accept volume	
	 use same volume of distilled water for each (1) 	e.g volume of Benedict's added, time of heating/temperature/same volume of extract	
	standardise the test procedure (1)		
	compare result with a colour chart described (1)	e.g. that has been devised using a range of concentrations of reducing sugars / in which the colours correspond to a range of	
		concentrations of reducing sugars	(3)

Question number	Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
2(a)(iii)	 An answer that includes the following points: take the food residue (from the filter paper) (1) and test it (for reducing sugars) with Benedict's (1) 	Accept Fehling's or other suitable test	
			(2)

Question number	Answ	er						Additional guidance	Mark
2(b)	An	answe	r that includes a	all of the					
		apple	sweet potato	potato	bread	cashew nut	(2)	2 marks all correct	
								1 mark if one mistake made	
								e.g two foods reversed / one food out of place leaving the rest out of place but in	
								correct sequence	(2)

Question number	Answer		Additional guidance	Mark
2(c)(i)	An explanation that includes the following points:			
	• apple	(1)		
	 because there was {more / most} reducing sugar (1) 			
	 therefore leaving least copper ions in the solution (1) 		Accept the most / more copper (ions) {have reacted with reducing sugar / been removed}	(3)

Question number	Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
2(c)(ii)	An answer that includes four of the following points:		
	 use {standard / known} {mass/volume} of sweet potato / use a standard volume of sweet potato extract / volume of extraction liquid (1) 	Accept size	
	 carry out reducing sugar test (1) 		
	• {filter the solution / remove precipitate} (after the test is carried out) (1)		
	 {weigh the precipitate remaining in the filter paper / measure intensity of blue color in filtrate} (1) 		
	 convert this {mass / intensity} to a concentration of reducing sugar / compare colour of tube contents precipitate with a colour chart qualified (1) 	e.g. that has been devised using a range of concentrations of reducing sugars / in which the colours	
		correspond to a range of concentrations of reducing sugars	(4)

Question number	Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
3(a)(i)	An explanation that includes four of the following points:		
	• for equilibration (1)		
	 because mixing the solutions at different temperatures would make the temperature ≠ 40 °C (1) 	Accept when mixing the temperature stays at 40°C / constant	
	• (40 °C could be) optimum for urease (1)		
	 (so if the mixture) {cooled down / warmed up} rate would change during experiment (1) 		
	 ensures only pH is varied (1) 		(4)

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3(a)(ii)	An explanation that includes the following points:		
	 run the experiment with a range of different concentrations (1) 		
	 choose a combination in which the rate of change is not too {high / fast} / too {low / slow} / time taken is not too {long / short} 		(2)

Question number	Answer	Additional guidance		Mark	
3(b)(i)	A table showing the following features:	Exa	mple of to	able drawn	
	 suitable table drawn (1) 		рН	concentration of ammonia / a.u.	
	 headings of pH and concentration of ammonia (1) 		3.0 4.0	0 10	
	with units		6.5 6.8	60 80	
	(1)		7.3 8.0	100 60	
	 data correctly entered (1) 		9.0	30	(4)

Question number	Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
3(b)(ii)	 figures read from graph and converted into rate 	Example of calculation:	
	(1)	60 × 4 = 240 OR 60 ÷ 15 = 4 OR	
	appropriate units given (1)	60 ÷ (15 x 60) = 0.07/0.067/0.0667	
		(240) a.u. hour ⁻¹ OR (4) a.u. min ⁻¹ OR (0.07/0.067/0.0667) a.u s ⁻¹	(2)

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3(b)(iii)	An answer that includes the following points:		
	Similarities		
	 both sets of results have a similar pattern (1) 		
	 both peak at same pH (1) 		
	Differences	Accept 60 min graph starts at pH 3 and 15 at pH 4	
	 no ammonia produced at pH 4 after 15 minutes but {some / 10 a.u.} produced at 60 minutes (1) 		
	 more ammonia produced at every pH after 60 minutes than after 15 minutes (1) 		(3)

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3(c)	• 0.36 a.u.min-1 (1)	Accept answers in range of 0.3 to 0.4 a.u.min ⁻¹	
		Accept other values with corresponding appropriate units e.g. rate expressed per second 0.003 to 0.007 a.u.sec ⁻¹	(1)