

Mark Scheme (Results)

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Paper 01: Practical Skills in Biology I

Question Number	Answer	Additional Guidance	Mark
1(a)	An explanation that includes the following points: • there is an intake of water (1)		
	 (down a) water potential gradient outside to inside / (from) high WP to low WP / (from) low salt concentration (outside) and a high salt concentration (inside) (1) 	ACCEPT moves down a concentration gradient, in context of water entering. ACCEPT correct reference to hypo/hypertonic	
	by osmosis /described (1)		(3)

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1(b)(i)	A description that includes five of the following points:		
	 cut pieces of same {size / surface area / potato} (1) 		
	 find mass of each piece before and after soaking (1) 		
	 soak pieces in solutions for {same length of time / stated time} (1) 		
	blot dry before weighing (1)		
	• repeat for each solution (1)		
	description of how percentage change calculated (1)	ACCEPT correct equation	(5)
		//ccli i correct equation	(3)

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1(b)(ii)	A graph showing the following features:		
	 A axes correct (x – concentration of sodium chloride, y - mean percentage change in mass) (1) 	20 35 30	
	• L axes correctly labelled, and with units for x mol dm ⁻³ (1am4)	5 0 0 0 0 0 1 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0	
	P correct plotting on suitable linear scales (1)	30 35	
	S suitable line of best fit drawn (1)	35	
		35	
		S-NOT dot to dot, some points on either side	(4)

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1(b)(iii)	An answer showing the following stages:	ecf applies	
	 correct reading, from their graph in bii, of where line of best fit crosses 0% change in mass (1) 	e.g. 0.35 (mol dm ⁻³)	
	 use of this reading in biii graph to obtain water potential (1) 	e.g1.7 (MPa) allow 0.1 MPa either side for any mol	
		dm ⁻³ reading	(2)

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1(c)	An explanation that makes reference to three of the following points:		
	 the water potential falls initially, because {water is being lost / potatoes dry out} (1) 	ACCEPT reference to up to week 11 ACCEPT evaporates from potato	
	 fall in water potential levels off later because no longer a wp gradient / wp inside and out has reached equilibrium (1) 	ACCEPT reference to week 7 or beyond	
	 water loss causes solute concentration in potato tissue cells to increase (1) 	ACCEPT solute potential decreases	(3)

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2(a)(i)	A description that makes reference to the following points:		
	 glucose and fructose (1) joined by glycosidic bond (1)		
			(2)

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2(a)(ii)	pH or Ph or PH	ignore concentration, level or any other extra to pH.	
		ACCEPT acidity, alkalinity	(1)

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2(a)(iii)	An answer that makes reference to the following points:		
	 temperature affects {action / reaction rate / number of (S and E) collisions} of enzyme (1) 	ACCEPT so that only pH affects rate	
	 (25°C) {may be / is} optimum (for invertase) / gives rate which is not too fast or slow / (1) 	ACCEPT above 25°C denatures enzyme	(2)

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2(a)(iv)			
	invertase / sucrose concentration (1)	ACCEPT substrate /	
		enzyme	(1)

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2(a)(v)	A description that makes reference to the following points:	ecf from aiv	
	 dissolve a stated mass of {invertase / sucrose} in a stated volume of water / use a stock solution of {sucrose / invertase} (1) 		
	• use the same volume of this solution for each pH (1)		(2)

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2(a)(vi)	An explanation that makes reference to the following points:			
	• the rate slows down as {sucrose is used up / sucrose becomes limiting} (1)	ACCEPT converse argument ACCEPT substrate		
	 so (rates / results) cannot be compared (1) 	ACCEPT converse argument	(2)	

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2(a)(vii)	An answer that makes reference to the following points:		
	measure the mass of {sucrose broken down / products formed} at intervals over time (1)	ACCEPT concentration / quantity / amount	
	 plot a graph of mass (y) against time (x) (1) 		(3)
	find the gradient of the graph at its start (1)		

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2(b)(i)	A table showing the following features:	example table	
	 suitable table drawn (1) headings of pH and Initial rate of reaction as a 	Initial rate of reaction as pH a percentage of the maximum initial rate	
	percentage of the maximum initial rate (1)	3.5 45	
		4.5 84	
	all data correctly entered (1)	5.5 100	
		6.5 90	
		7.5 74	
		8.5 33	(3)

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2(b)(ii)	An answer which includes the following points:		
	 (from these results, the conclusion is valid as) the highest initial rate measured is at pH 5.5 (1) 		
	 measurements at (smaller) intervals {were not made / should have been made} (1) 	ACCEPT converse argument	
	• optimum might be anywhere (else) between 4.5 and 6.5 (1)		(3)

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2(c)	An answer which includes at least one similarity and one difference: Similarities: both show an optimum (1) both have same / similar activity at 70 C (1) Differences	ACCEPT both rise to a point and then fall	
	 optimum is at a lower temperature for immobilised than non-immobilised (1) temperature affects immobilised enzymes more (1) 	ACCEPT converse, correct figures quoted ACCEPT converse	(3)

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3(a)(i)	A drawing showing the following features:	Example of drawing:	
	chloroplasts shown in each guard cell (1)		
	pore clearly shown (1)		
	cell walls shown correctly (1)		
		,	(3)

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3(a)(ii)	An answer showing the following steps:	ecf applies	
	pore measured (3 epgu), length of pore in metres calculated (1)	Example of calculation: $3 \times 10^{-6} \times 3 = 9 \times 10^{-6} \text{ m}$ therefore, pore is $9\mu\text{m}$	
	conversion to μm done correctly (1)		
	OR		
	 epgu converted to μm correctly (1) 	3 x 10 ⁻⁶ = 3 μm 3 x 3 x 10 ⁻⁶ = 9 μm	
	• 3 µm multiplied by number of epgu correctly (1)	,	(2)

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3(b)(i)	• correct scale shown on x axis one 1cm box = 250 ppm (1)		(1)

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3(b)(ii)			
	standard deviations correctly plotted (1)		
			(1)

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3(b)(iii)	An answer that makes reference to the following points:		
	 the SDs for pore area at the two values do not overlap (1) at 2550 ppm lowest area is 4700, at 1300 highest is 4260 (1) 		(2)

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3(b)(iv)	An answer showing the following steps:	Example of calculation:	
	relevant figures substituted into the equation (1)	y = (2.8 × 6500) -397.5	
	correct answer given (1)	= 17802.5 (µm²)	
			(2)