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Mark Scheme

Q1.

Question Number	Answer	Mark
(i)	The only correct answer is -A amino acids	
	B is incorrect because nitrates are not found in cellulose	
	C is incorrect because nitrates are not found in starch	
	D is incorrect because nitrates are not found in sucrose	
		Computer (1)
Question Number	Answer	Mark
(ii)	The only correct answer is -C nucleic acids	
	A is incorrect because phosphate is not found in cellulose	
	B is incorrect because phosphate is not found in chlorophyll	
	D is incorrect because phosphate is not found in sucrose	Computer (1)
Question Number	Answer	Mark
(iii)	The only correct answer is – C chlorophyll	
	A is incorrect because magnesium is not found in amino acids	
	B is incorrect because magnesium is not found in cellulose	
	D is incorrect because magnesium is not found in starch	Computer
		(1)



Q2.

Question	Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
Number			
	An explanation that makes reference to three of the following		
	 (because) { one triplet is affected / a different triplet code is produced } (1) 		
	(the mutation) could change one of the amino acids (1)	ALLOW produce a stop codon IGNORE reference to	
	 this would {change the bonds formed between the R groups / cause a change in the tertiary structure}(1) 	secondary or quaternary structure	
	the haemoglobin would no longer be able to bind to oxygen (1)		(3)

Q3.

Question Number	Acceptable Answer		Additional Guidance	Mark
	An explanation that makes reference to the following:			
	partially permeable membrane is a barrier to some solutes but not water	(1)		
	 enables a concentration gradient of { solutes / water } 	(1)		(2)



Q4.

Question Number	Answer		
(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	
(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	
		1



Q5.

Question Number	Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
(i)	• using carbon (14) dating	ALLOW the deeper the layer in the peat, the older it is	
			graduate (1)

Question Number	Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
(ii)	An explanation that makes reference to three of the following • conditions are anaerobic (1) • therefore less (aerobic) respiration by decomposers (1)	ALLOW (waterlogging) reduces the oxygen content ALLOW microorganisms / named decomposers ALLOW decomposers respiring anaerobically	
	acidic conditions {inhibit /denature} enzymes (1)	ALLOW description of denaturing eg change in shape of active site	
	therefore (enzymes) cannot {digest / break down} organic material (1)	ALLOW break down plants / animals /peat	Expert (3)



Q6.

Biology A (Salters-Nuffield) Advanced Paper 3 (9BN0/03)

Question	Acceptable	Additional	Mark
Number	Answer	Guidance	
(a)	Tonoplast		(1)

Question Number	Acceptable Answer		Additional Guidance	Mark
(b)	selection of correct points from the graph	(1)	0.17 AU , 0.23 AU , 0.26 AU Example of calculation: 35.3% ÷ 13.0%	
	calculation of percentage difference in	(1)	= 22.3% Allow full marks for correct answer with no working	
	percentage	(1)	answer with no working	(3)

Question Number	Acceptable Answer		Additional Guidance	Mark
(c)(i)	An explanation that makes reference to the following:			
	 interferes with { tertiary / 3-D } shape of the channel proteins 	(1)		
	therefore causes channel proteins to			(2)



Question Number	Acceptable Answer		Additional Guidance	Mark
(c)(ii)	An answer that makes reference to four of the following:			
	solutions with a range of pH values	(1)		
	pieces of beetroot of same surface area	(1)		
	 control of other named relevant variables 	(1)	e.g. temperature / volume of	
	measurement of absorbance of solution using colorimeter	(1)	solution / time left in solution /	
	repeats at each pH value to calculate mean	(1)		(4)

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Q7.

Question Number	Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
	An explanation that makes reference to four of the following		
	a mutation will lead to a change in the sequence of bases (in the DNA) (1)	ALLOW change to triplet code (of DNA)	
	 (therefore a mutation) may lead to {a different amino acid /change in the sequence of amino acids} (1) 	ALLOW reference to STOP codon being produced	
	so different R groups would change the tertiary structure of the enzyme (1)		
	therefore the (shape of the) active site is changed (1)		
	therefore substrate does not fit active site of enzyme / substrate- enzyme complexes cannot form (1)		-
			Expert (4)



Q8.

Question	Acceptable Answer	Additional	Mark
Number		guidance	
	An explanation that makes reference to four of the following:		
	DNA unzips and one strand acts as a template (1)		
	ribonucleotides pair up with complementary bases (1)		
	 RNA polymerase joins ribonucleotides together to form pre-mRNA (1) 		
	the mRNA has fewer bases than pre-mRNA / gene (1)		
	 as a result of removal of introns / mRNA made up of exons only (1) 		(4)

Q9.

Question Number	Acceptable Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
(a)(i)	49 182 000 x 0.05 (1)	Correct answer gains full marks	
	2 459 100 (1)		(2)

Question Number	Acceptable Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
(a)(ii)	An explanation that makes reference to the following:		
	can dilate bronchioles /airways (1)		
	therefore allowing more oxygen into lungs /alveoli (1)		(2)



Question Number	Acceptable Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
(a)(iii)	An explanation that makes reference to the following: sympathetic neurotransmitters are released at the		
	SAN (1)		
	therefore if beta-2 agonists are present the SAN will increase its rate of stimulation (1)		
	so impulses will spread faster and more often over the atria (1)		
	therefore the heart muscle will contract more often which increases the heart rate (1)		(4)

Question Number	Acceptable Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
(b)	An explanation that makes reference to four of the following:		
	HGH binds to receptor in cell surface membrane (1)		
	activation of messenger molecule in cytoplasm (1)		
	reference to protein kinase cascade (1)		
	transcription factor produced (1)		
	gene for IGF-1 switched on (1)		(4)

Question Number	Acceptable Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
(c)	An explanation that makes reference to the following: occur naturally / would have some present in body (1)		
	therefore difficult to detect additional HGH (1)		(2)



Question Number	Acceptable Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
(d)	An explanation that makes reference to the following:		
	no need for blood transfusion (1)		
	plus any one from:		
	 therefore no risk of rejection / agglutination/ delay in {tissue/blood} typing (1) 		
	they supply the oxygen requirements for the body (1)		(2)

Question Number	Acceptable Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
(e)	 An explanation that makes reference to four of the following: reference to {sodium ion channels / voltage gated sodium ion channels} (1) binding blocks movement of sodium ions into neurone (1) 	Accept more sophisticated answers that refer to the effect on calcium ion movement	
	 membrane is not depolarised (1) action potential is not generated (1) no impulses conducted to brain (1) 		(4)



Question Number	Acceptable Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
(f)	An explanation that makes reference to two of the following:		
	(they) increase the removal of {water/salts} from blood (1)		
	(removal of water) lowers blood volume and therefore pressure (1)		
	 (removal of salt) lowers uptake of water into blood (by osmosis from tissue fluid) and therefore blood pressure (1) 		(2)

Question Number	Acceptable Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
(g)	An explanation that makes reference to the following:		
	normal ratio is 1:1 (1)		
	taking testosterone and epitestosterone in equal measures maintains this ratio (1)		
	therefore it is not possible to detect cheats (1)		(3)

Question Number	Acceptable Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
(h)	An explanation that makes reference to the following: • drug E has been retained in the gas phase longer (1) • because it has {greater solubility / smaller mass} (1)	Accept more sophisticated answers related to charge	(2)



Question Number	Acceptable Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
(i)	An explanation that makes reference to two of the following: • longitudinal monitoring / to be followed over		
	therefore can identify individual differences in naturally occurring drug concentrations (1)		
	therefore can see pattern or link to competition / injury / look for changes (1)		(2)

Question Number	Acceptable Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
(j)	An answer that makes reference to the following:		
	the absolutist's view would be that they should never be used (1)		
	plus any one from:		
	because of the damage to the body by the side effects (1)		
	athletes should compete using their innate {anatomical / physiological} abilities / fair competition should be promoted (1)		
	the rationalist's view would be that their use is acceptable if there is a justifiable outcome (1)		
	Plus any one from:		
	because it is a personal choice (1)		
	because it could help to overcome the inequalities in {training / medical support} (1)		(4)



Q10.

Question	Answer	Mark
Number	The code control of the code o	
(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. 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	(1)
	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)



Q11.

Question Number	Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
(i)	An explanation that makes reference to three of the following • ribosome shape is altered (1)		
	 mRNA is prevented from binding (to the ribosome) / causingchange in tRNA binding (1) therefore translation cannot occur (1) 	ALLOW translation is affected /reduced / altered	
	 { protein / polypeptide } is not synthesised (1) 	ALLOW faulty protein produced	(3)

Question	Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
Number			
(ii)	An answer that makes reference to two of the following		
	 bacteria have not been exposed to new antibiotics before /bacteria do not have mechanisms to make them resistant to the new antibiotics (1) 		
	 bacteria have developed resistance (to other antibiotics) by { evolving / natural selection } (1) 		
	 therefore there has been {no advantage to possessing amutation to bypass the new antibiotic / no mutation present to give resistance } (1) 		(2)



Question Number	Answer	Mark
(iii)	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 genericmark scheme. The indicative content below is not prescriptive and candidates are not required to include all thematerial which is indicated as relevant. Additional content included in the response must be scientific and relevant. Indicative content • prepare agar plates with bacterial cultures / bacterial lawn / seeded with bacteria –use bacteria that are resistant to other antibiotics • prepare solutions of new antibiotic and penicillin • place onto paper discs / into wells in the agar / prepare mast rings • control time and temperature of incubation • same concentration and volume of both antibiotics • measure the area of inhibition • repeat for effective antibiotics • description of serial dilution of each antibiotic • range of dilutions on each plate-one antibiotic per plate • statistical test to determine which is the most effective • repeat with different strains of resistant bacteria	(6)



Level	Marks		Additional Guidance
0	0	No awardable content	
1	1-2	An explanation of how the investigation should be modifiedmay be attempted but with limited analysis, interpretation and/or evaluation of the scientific information. Generalised comments made.	Preparation of agar plates Method of adding antibiotic Use of new antibiotic and
		The explanation will contain basic information with some attempt made to link knowledge and understanding to the given context.	penicillin Measure zone of inhibition
2	3-4	An explanation of how the investigation should be modified willbe given with occasional evidence of analysis, interpretation and/or evaluation of the scientific information. The explanation shows some linkages and lines of scientificreasoning with some structure.	Incubated for stated time 24- 72 hours Incubated at stated temperature 25-37°C Method of culturing bacteria on agar plates/preparing a lawn
			Repeats to calculate the mean Larger zone of inhibition-more effective antibiotic
3	5-6	An explanation of how the investigation should be modified isgiven which is supported throughout by evidence from the analysis, interpretation and/or evaluation of the scientific information.	Strain of bacteria known to be resistant topenicillin/other antibiotics Same volume/concentration of bothantibiotics
		The explanation shows a well-developed and sustained line ofscientific reasoning which is clear, coherent and logically structured.	Several strains of resistant bacteria testedwith new antibiotic Preparation of serial dilutions for bothantibiotics Range of concentrations give minimum effective dose Named statistical test eg T-test



Q12.

Question	Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
Number			
(i)	A description that makes reference to three of the following		
	the proteins are folded in the rough endoplasmic reticulum (RER) (1)		
	 the proteins are {packaged into/transported in} vesicles (1) 		
	the protein is modified in the Golgi apparatus (1)	ALLOW processed/ description of modification	
	exocytosis (1)	ALLOW description of exocytosis	(3)

Question	Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
Number			
(ii)	An explanation that makes reference to the following		
	 (if the protein is not folded correctly) the {tertiary structure / 3D shape} would be different(1) 		
	 therefore the active site of the enzyme would not { fit / bind with } the substrate / it would not be able to form an enzyme substrate complex (1) 	ALLOW not complementary	
	 therefore it would not be able to catalyse the reaction (1) 		(3)



Q13.

Question Number	Answer	Additional Guidance	Mark
(i)		Example of calculation	
	correct values taken from the graph (1)	55 - 45 (= 10)	
	correct answer with units (1)	= 2 au min ⁻¹	
		ALLOW an answer between 1.6 au and 2 au per minute	
		or	
		0.0267 to 0.0333 au per second	
		Correct answer with units, with no working gains full marks	
		Correct answer with no units, gains one mark only	2

Question Number	Answer	Additional Guidance	Mark
(ii)	An answer that makes reference to the following: • DNA contents doubles twice / two	ALLOW two increases	
	stages of DNA synthesis (1) therefore two divisions (1)	in uptake of bases ALLOW twice	2



Question Number	Answer	Additional Guidance	Mark
(iii)	An explanation that makes reference to two of the following:		
	because thymine is found only in DNA (1)	ALLOW RNA does not contain thymine	
	other radioactive bases taken up by all nucleic acids (1)	ALLOW other bases taken up by RNA	
	only DNA would be measured (1)	ALLOW no need to separate DNA from RNA	2

Q14.

Question	Answer	Additional	Mark
Number		guidance	
	An answer that makes reference to four of the following:		
	selection of two temperatures that are not above theoptimum temperature (1)	ALLOW: below a temperature that causes enzyme denaturing or not above optimum tempALLOW any two temperatures between 10 and 40°C	
	named variable kept constant (1)	e.g. pH of solution, {sucrose/glucose} concentration, yeast {concentration / volume}	
	record the distance travelled by the coloured liquid ina set time (1)	ALLOW time taken for coloured liquid to travel aset distance e.g. by dividing distance travelled by	
	 description of how to calculate rates (1) 	time	
	data collected during the initial rate of reaction / before a factor (other than temperature) becomes limiting (1)		(4)



Q15.

Question	Answer	Additional Guidance	Mark
Number (i)	A description that makes reference to three of the following:		
	chloride ions leave cells (through the CFTR channel protein) (1)	NOT active transport of chloride ions ALLOW chloride ions move into the mucus	
	 sodium ions leave the cells (following the chloride ions) (1) 	move into the macus	
	increasing the solute concentration in the mucus (1)	ALLOW NaCl, Na ⁺ or Cl ⁻ instead of solute	
	water moves out of the cells by osmosis (into the mucus) (1)	ALLOW description of osmosis	3

Question Number	Answer	Additional Guidance	Mark
(ii)	An explanation that makes reference to the following:		
	(triplet code) is shown by three bases coding for an amino acid (1)		
	 non-overlapping code e.g. ATT codes for amino acid I and then AAA code for amino acid K (1) 		
	degenerate code as both ATT and ATC code for amino acid I (1)		3



Q16.

Question Number		Indicative content	
	Answers will be credited according to candidates' deployment of knowledge and understanding of material in relation to the qualities and skills outlined in the generic mark scheme.		
	candidat which is	cative content below is not prescriptive and es are not required to include all the material indicated as relevant. Additional content included sponse must be scientific and relevant.	
	example phospho Description Evaluation Possible and a possible	tes are expected to offer a range of appropriate is to support a comment on the roles of rylation in Biology. Description of phosphorylation as an addition of hosphate. Examples of phosphorylation in respiration to include glycolysis, oxidative phosphorylation, substrate level phosphorylation. Examples of phosphorylation in photosynthesis to include RuBP, GP, NADP, non-cyclic hotophosphorylation. Tole of phosphorylation of ADP to store energy. Hosphorylation of lipids to make phospholipids and their roles in membranes. Eddition of phosphates to help form the DNA ackbone / involved in phosphodiester bonds. In phosphorylation such as activation of molecule for urther reactions.	
Level	Mark	Descriptor	
	0	No rewardable material	
1	1-3	Demonstrates isolated elements of biological knowledge and understanding.	
		Provides little or no references to a range of	



Level	Mark	Descriptor
		scientific idea, processes, techniques and procedures.
		Scientific arguments may be attempted, but fails to link biological concepts and/or ideas in order to support decision/conclusion. Limited attempt to address the question.
		Demonstrates adequate biological knowledge and understanding with selection of some biological facts/concepts to support an argument or decision/conclusion being made.
2	4-6	Scientific reasoning occasionally supported through the linkage of a range of scientific ideas, processes, techniques and procedures.
		Scientific argument is partially developed. Attempts to synthesise and integrate relevant knowledge with linkages to biological concepts and/or ideas, leading to a notional scientific argument or decision/conclusion.
		Demonstrates comprehensive knowledge and understanding by selecting and applying relevant knowledge of biological facts/concepts to support an argument or decision/conclusion being made.
3	7-9	Scientific reasoning supported throughout by sustained linkage of a range of scientific ideas, processes, techniques and procedures.
3	, -9	Scientific argument is well developed and logical. Demonstrating throughout the skills of synthesising and integrating relevant knowledge with consistent linkages to biological concepts and/or ideas, leading to nuanced and balanced scientific argument or decision/conclusion based on evidence.



Q17.

Question Number	Answer	Additional Guidance	Mark
	• hydrolysis		(1)

Q18.

Question Number	Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
	An answer the makes reference to two of the following:		
	{biological / protein} catalyst (1)		
	lowers the activation energy (for a reaction) (1)		
	increasing the rate of reaction (1)		(2)

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Q19.

Question Number	Acceptable Answer		Additional Guidance	Mark
•	An explanation that makes reference to four of the following:			
	three { polypeptide / collagen } chains tightly coiled around each other	(1)		
	 due to every third amino acid { being glycine / having a small R group } 	(1)		
	chains are held together by { hydrogen bonding / covalent cross links }	(1)		
	flexible without stretching (due to triple helix)	(1)		
	chains of collagen associate together to form fibrils	(1)		
	 (fibrils) have a high tensile strength (and function to support tissues) 	(1)		(4)



Q20.

Question Number	Answer	Additional Guidance	Mark
(i)	A description that makes reference to three of the following:		
	primary structure described as a repeating amino acid sequence (1)	ALLOW {proline / glycine / hydroxyproline} rich	
	three polypeptide chains (1)	polypeptide chains	
	chains coiled around each other (1)	IGNORE alpha helix	
	cross-linking between the chains (1)	ALLOW {covalent / hydrogen / disulphide} bonding between chains	3

Question Number	Answer	Additional Guidance	Mark
(ii)	An answer that makes reference to one of the following:		
	to provide {strength / flexibility} (1)	ALLOW to support alveoli IGNORE to support capillaries	
	 holds walls of capillaries and alveoli close together (1) 		
			1



Q21.

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





Q22.

Question number	Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
	An answer that makes reference to four of the following:		
	seeds treated with sodium chloride and with sodium chloride and gibberellin (1)	ALLOW with sodium chloride and different concentrations of gibberellin	
	 description of how an abiotic factor can be controlled (1) 	e.g. use a water bath to control the temperature	
	extract amylase from the seeds (1)	ALLOW method of standardising quantity of amylase e.g. same volume of {amylase extract / seed extract} / same {mass / number / type / size} of seed	
	description of assay (1)	e.g. iodine starch test or Benedict's test to measure reducing sugars	
	 description of how quantitative results will be obtained to enable comparison (1) 	e.g. length of time to remove starch or use of a colorimeter	
		ALLOW a description of how gibberellin might affect the result e.g. 'if giberrellin increases amylase activity time for iodine solution to go colourless will be shorter'	(4)



Q23.

Question	
number	
*	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. Indicative content
	Information
	there are 20 000 different proteins
	 these proteins carryout different functions there are a {large number of / 20} different {R groups / amino acids} most R groups are non-polar, some are polar a few have a charge Linkage to structure
	 R groups determine {3D shape / structure} of proteins
	 {large number of / 20 R groups} many combinations of amino acids required to give wide variety of protein
	 structures R groups can form bonds to stabilise 3D structure (e.g. cysteine) role of R-groups in structure of haemoglobin role of R-groups in structure of collagen
	location of cysteine allows formation of disulfide bonds
	R groups variety of protein shapes are required to allow proteins to carry out wide range of functions
	 examples of functions that require specific structure e.g. antibodies specific to an antigen / enzymes specific for a substrate / receptors e.g. neurotransmitters and (acetylcholine) and ion-gated channels polar / ionic R groups increase solubility
	 non-polar R groups will be on outside of insoluble proteins / structural proteins / collagen / proteins inserted into membranes
	role of R-groups in function of haemoglobin
	role of R-groups in function of collagen
	Linkage to location
	 polar R groups will be in aqueous environment /non-polar regions in a non-aqueous environment



- polar /ionic R groups soluble in {plasma/ tissue fluid / cytoplasm} / line the inside of ion channels / found on the outside of soluble proteins such as hormones / transport proteins / immunoglobulins / cytokines
- · role of R-groups in location of haemoglobin
- · role of R-groups in location of collagen





Level	Marks		
0	0	No awardable content	
1	1-3	Demonstrates isolated elements of biological knowledge and understanding to the given context with generalised comments made. Vague statements related to consequences are made with limited linkage to a range of scientific ideas, processes, techniques and procedures. The discussion will contain basic information with some attempt made to link knowledge and understanding to the given context.	Selection of some information from the table – little or no linkage Linkage to one aspect – 2 marks Two linkages for same aspect – 3 marks
2	4-6	Demonstrates adequate knowledge and understanding by selecting and applying some relevant biological facts/concepts. Consequences are discussed which are occasionally supported through linkage to a range of scientific ideas, processes, techniques and procedures. The discussion shows some linkages and lines of scientific reasoning with some structure.	Linkage between R groups and two aspects from structure, function and location One comment on each - 4 marks An additional comment - 5 marks An additional 2 comments - 6 marks
3	7-9	Demonstrates comprehensive knowledge and understanding by selecting and applying relevant knowledge of biological facts/concepts. Consequences are discussed which are supported throughout by sustained linkage to a range of scientific ideas, processes, techniques or procedures.	Linkage between R groups and all three aspects (structure, function and location) One comment on each - 7 marks



	The discussion shows a well-developed and sustained line of scientific reasoning which is clear and logically structured.	An additional comment - 8 marks An additional 2 comments - 9 marks

Q24.

Question Number	Answer	Additional Guidance	Mark
(i)	An explanation that makes reference to the following: • the parents were {heterozygous / had a dominant and a recessive allele} as the offspring had both yellow and nonyellow coats (1) • (because the parents had yellow coats) the recessive allele was for non-yellow coat (1)	ALLOW parents were carriers	(2) Exp



Question Number	Answer	Additional Guidance	Mark
(ii)			
	offspring with a yellow coat a non-yellow coat	ALLOW 1199 for 1199.25	
	1199.25 399.75	ALLOW 400 for 399.75	(2)
			(2)
	1 mark for each predicted number		Clerical

Question Number	Answer	Additional Guidance	Mark
(iii)	An explanation that makes reference to the following :		(3) Exp
	 ratio is 2: 1 rather than 3: 1 (1) random fertilisation (1) due to no homozygous dominant individuals surviving / homozygous dominant is lethal (1) 	ALLOW description of random fertilisation	



Q25.

Question Number	Answer	Additional Guidance	Mark
(i)	a line that shows a positive correlation with lung, liver and		
	colon points below the line and breast, bladder and pancreas above the line		(1)

Question Number	Answer	Additional Guidance	Mark
(ii)	An explanation that makes reference to the following: • there is a correlation between age and level of DNA methylation (1) • as there is only a 5% likelihood of these results being produced by chance (1)	ALLOW converse, e.g. 95% probability that DNA methylation increases with age ALLOW as the calculated value is greater than the critical value at p=0.05	(2)



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mino acid	
d	



			Additional Guidance
Level 0	Marks	No awardable content	
Level 1	1-2	An explanation 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	Only one point of basic information referred to: e.g. mutation results in more succinate, or high succinate and inhibition of TET, or less TET and more methylation of DNA
Level 2	3-4	An explanation will be given with occasional evidence of analysis, interpretation and/or evaluation of both pieces of scientific information. The explanation shows some linkages and lines of scientific reasoning with some structure.	Link between high levels of succinate and inhibition of TET
Level 3	5-6	An explanation is made which is supported throughout by sustained application of relevant evidence of analysis, interpretation and/or evaluation of both pieces of scientific information. The explanation shows a well-developed and sustained line of scientific reasoning which is clear and logically structured.	Links made to include all of these points: mutation leads to higher levels of succinate, which inhibits TET, therefore increasing DNA methylation, which increases risk of cancer Logical explanation of the reasons why a mutation in the enzyme succinate dehydrogenase can increase risk of developing cancer