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Mark Scheme

Q1.

Question	Answer	Additional Guidance	Mark
Number			
	A description that makes reference to the following:		
	vesicles (containing hormone) (1)		
	fuse with the cell (surface) membrane (of fat cells) / by exocytosis (1)		(2)

Q2.

Question Number	Acceptable Answer		Additional Guidance	Mark	
	A description that makes reference to the following:				CE
	fluid refers to the movement of the phospholipids in the plane of the membrane mosaic refers to the random association of proteins (of different shapes and sizes) within the membrane	(1)			
				(2)	



Q3.

Question Number	Answer	Additional	guidance		Mark
- Trainiber	An answer that makes reference to the following	e.g.	e.g.		
	correct genetic diagram		S	S	
	used to determine	S	Ss	SS	
	genotypesof offspring (1)	S	Ss	SS	
	correct probability 0.5 linked to correct genotypes ofoffspring (1)	Ss and ss	% / ½ / 1 in 2		(2)





Q4.

Question	Answer	Additional	Mark
Number		guidance	
	An answer that makes reference to the		
	following:		
		ALLOW 50% for 0.5	
	 0.5 probability for being { same sex / female} (1) 		
		ALLOW detail of proof of	
	person 1 is heterozygous for MPS 1 (1)	phenotype of person 1 e.g. does not show condition therefore has to have one dominant allele but (at least) one daughter has condition so received a recessive allele from person 1	
		ALLOW carrier for heterozygous	
	 (therefore) person 2 has a 0.75 probability of having same phenotype as person 1 for MPS 1(1) 	ALLOW 75% for 0.75	(4)
	 therefore probability of being female and nothaving MPS 1 will be 0.375 (1) 	ALLOW ³ / ₈ or 37.5% for 0.375	



Q5.

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. Indicative content	
	Por DNA Double stranded so more stable Allows for a template strand Larger as includes promotor / site for transcription factors to bind	
	 For mRNA Ribose rather than deoxyribose and uracil rather than thymine Smaller as not bound to other genes / fewer bases (minimum of 396) So can {exit the nucleus / move through the nuclear pore} Single-stranded So {bases / codon} exposed to (tRNA's with) complementary anticodons / bases can bind Amino acids {brought/joined} in the correct sequence 	(6)
	Removal of introns / post-transcriptional modification	Exp



Level 0	Marks	No awardable content	Additional guidance
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 to the given context.	Basic description of differences between DNA and mRNA
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.	Reasons provided for differences in structure of DNA and mRNA.
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.	Explanation for differences in the gene described and the mRNA – greater number of bases in DNA than in the mRNA.
		The explanation shows a well- developed and sustained line of	
		scientific reasoning which is clear and logically structured.	Reference to removal of introns and post transcriptional changes to RNA before it is translated.



Question Number	Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
(i)		Example of calculation	
	correct calculation of Q ₁₀ value	(240 ÷ 80 =) 3	
			(1)

Question Number	Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
(ii)	An explanation that makes reference to three of the following: • (between 20 °C and 30 °C) there is more kinetic energy available (1) • therefore there will be more frequent collisions (between enzyme and substrate) (1)	ALLOW more frequent collisions between catalase and hydrogen peroxide	
	 more enzyme-substrate complexes formed (1) (the Q₁₀ value indicates) the activity triples with the 10 °C 		
	temperature rise (1)		(3)

Question Number	Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
(iii)	An explanation that makes reference to two of the following: • Q ₁₀ value is less than 1.0 (1) • because the enzyme is denatured (1)	ALLOW Q ₁₀ value of 0.59	
	therefore no increase in formation of enzyme- substrate complexes / substrate no longer fits active site (1)	ALLOW fewer enzyme- substrate complexes formed	(2)



Q7.

Question Number	Answer	Mark
(i)	The only correct answer is B Bb and Bb	
	A is not correct because the parent who is bb would have Batten disease	
	C is not correct because neither parent has the b allele	
	D is not correct because the parent who is bb would have Batten disease and the parent who is BB would not have the b allele	
		(1)

Question Number	Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
(ii)	An answer that makes reference to the following:		
	correct genetic diagram with reference to offspring genotypes (1)	e.g. BB, Bb, Bb and bb	
	correct probability of inheriting Batten disease (1)	1 in 4 / 25% / 0.25 IGNORE ratios	(2)



Q8.

Question	Acceptable Answer		Additional	Mark
Number			Guidance	
(i)	An explanation that makes reference to the following:			
	a (random) change in the sequence of bases in the DNA (1)		
	 involving { deletion / substitution / addition } of a base 	1)		
	this affects the triplet code / changes sequence of amino acids in the enzyme molecule	1)		
	change in shape of active site	1)		(3)



Question Number	Acceptable Answer		Additional Guidance	Mark
(ii)	An explanation that makes reference to the following:			
	 the severity of symptoms is related to the proportion of mitochondria with damaged DNA in the mother only 	(1)		
		(1)		
	 because (the child's mitochondria) are derived from the { oocyte / egg cell } 	(1)		
	mitochondria in sperm do not enter the egg on fertilisation	(1)		(2)
				(3)

Question Number	Answer		Mark
(a)	 {scientific / peer reviewed} {papers / journals / magazines / article}; (scientific) {conferences / lecture / forums}; 		
	3. media reports ;	3. e.g. TV, radio. newspaper ' internet	(2)



Question Number	Answer	Additional Guidance	Mark
*(b)(i)	(QWC - spelling of technical terms must be correct and the answer must be organised in a logical sequence)	QWC focussing on spelling	
	 idea of using proteomics (to study protein); 		
	Any 5 from :		
	 idea of using DNA {profiling / fingerprinting} (to study DNA); 		
	 idea of obtaining {tissue / cell} sample from tomcod; 		
	 multiple copies of DNA made / eq; 	4. IGNORE refs to amplification,	
	using {PCR / polymerase chain reaction};	large amounts	
	 ref to restriction {enzymes / endonucleases} to produce DNA {fragments / eq}; 		
	7. reference to (gel) electrophoresis;		
	 idea of {loading / eq} the DNA onto the {gel / named gel}; 	8. e.g. <i>agarose,</i> <i>agar</i>	
	 idea that an {electric current / charge} is applied; 	9. ACCEPT apply potential difference	
	10. reference to use of {dye / fluorescent staining / UV light /Southern blotting / gene probes / radioactive labelling / eq};	dinerence	(6)



Question Number	Answer	Additional Guidance	Mark
(b)(ii)	 same number of chromosomes; 	1. ACCEPT both contain AHR2	
	idea that the mutation affected the sequence of DNA;	gene	
	OR		
	 idea that (all / most of) the {bands / eq} are the same (size / position / width); 		
	 idea that only {a small region of DNA / the AHR2 gene} is affected; 		(2)

Question Number	Answer	Additional Guidance	Mark
(b)(iii)	 a protein with a different {structure / amino acids / function} / eq; 	1. ACCEPT two AAs missing	
	idea that the mutation will affect the DNA;	2. e.g. two codons missing	(2)



Q10.

Question	Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
number			
	An answer that makes reference to the following:		
	{C ^B / C ^P } is dominant and C ^Y is recessive	ALLOW C ^B is dominant over C ^P / C ^P is dominant over C ^Y / C ^B is dominant over C ^Y	
		ALLOW brown is dominant to yellow and pink / pink is dominant to yellow	
	 the order of dominance is C^B over C^P over C^Y 	ALLOW both marks if correct order of dominance stated	(2)

Q11.

Question Number	Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
(i)	(the genotype is) heterozygous and (the phenotype is) affected with the disease (1)	ALLOW any upper case and lower case letter to show heterozygous e.g. Pp IGNORE male/female	Graduate (1)

Question Number	Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
(ii)	The only correct answer is B 0.25		
	A, C and D are not correct.		Computer (1)



Q12.

Question Number	Acceptable Answer		Additional Guidance	Mark
(a)	A description that makes reference to the following:			
	• no UV	(1)		
	 water added but not from tank with fish in it that have eaten snails 	(1)		60)
				(2)

Question Number	Acceptable Answer		Additional Guidance	Mark
(b)(i)	An explanation that makes reference to the following:		fish exposure effect is	
	calculating increase above control for 'fish' and for 'UV'	(1)	12% (above control) and (UV is) 28%	
	 adding effects of 'fish' and 'UV' 	(1)		(2)



Question Number	Acceptable Answer		Additional Guidance	Mark
(b)(ii)	An explanation that makes reference to the following:			
	 interferes with DNA replication 	(1)		
	 (potentially) leading to 			
	mutations	(1)		(2)

Q13.

Question Number	Acceptable Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
(a)	 suitable time interval chosen (in range 0 to 70 s, must be on straight line portion) (1) absorbance change calculated (1) ans. 0.053 au s⁻¹ (or as appropriate for part of graph chosen) (1) 	Example: at 0 s abs = 0.4, at 60 s abs = 3.6 (1) so change is $3.6 - 0.4 = 3.2$ (1) over 60 s, make rate $3.2 \div 60 = 0.053$ au s ⁻¹ (1)	(3)



Question	Acceptable Answer	Additional	Mark
Number		guidance	
(b)	An explanation that makes reference to three of the following:		
	 as enzyme concentration increases the rate of reaction increases and levels off (1) 		
	 because number of active sites of the enzyme molecules is increasing (1) 		
	 because enzyme concentration is the limiting factor (1) 		(3)
	 it levels off because the substrate concentration is limiting (1) 		(3)

Q14.

Question Number	Answer	Additional Guidance	Mark
(i)	correct values taken from the graph (1) correct answer with correct units (1)	Example of calculation 0.12 ÷ 2 = = 0.06 µmol dm ⁻³ min ⁻¹ = 0.06 µmol per dm ³ per minute or	
		= 0.001 µmol dm ⁻³ s ⁻¹ = 0.001 µmol per dm ³ per second	
		units gains one mark Correct answer with correct units but no working gains full marks	2



Question	Answer	Additional Guidance	Mark
Number			
(ii)	curve that is less steep but reaches the same plateau (1)	e.g. 0.4 Out Out	1

Question	Answer	Additional Guidance	Mark
Number			
(iii)	An explanation that makes reference to the following: • the slower the initial rate of reaction the longer it will take for a clot to form (1)	Allow converse arguments	
	 because fibrin will be produced more slowly (1) 		2



Q15.

Question number	Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
(i)		Example of Calculation:	
	 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	
(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)		(2)

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





Q16.

Question Number	Answer	Additional Guidance	Mark
	An explanation that makes reference to five of the following:		
	 as a result of a mutation (1) 		
	 (cyanobacteria) produce proteins containing the amino acid cysteine (1) 		
	 (cysteine rich proteins) produce {heat stable enzymes / proteins resistant to unfolding} (1) 		
	 other adaptations such as {enzymes with large hydrophobic cores / simpler protein folds / amino acids that do not bond to metal ions } (1) 		
	 high temperatures act as a selection pressure (1) 		
	 allowing them to {survive / replicate} and pass advantageous allele to next generation (1) 	ALLOW 'pass alleles for heat tolerance to next generation'	(5)



Q17.

Question	Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
Number			
	An explanation that makes reference to three of the following:	ALLOW labelled genetic diagrams	
	 {screen / produce} a (large) population of mice (1) cross (two) heterozygous mice (1) 	ALLOW carriers for heterozygous	
	select the homozygous recessive mice (1)	ALLOW breed for select	
	and breed from these for subsequent	ALLOW select mice expressing the recessive trait	
	and breed from these for subsequent generations (1)		(3)



Q18.

Question Number	Acceptable Answe	er	Additional Guidance	Mark
	An explanation that makes reference to the following: • mucus contained in membrane bound vesicles inside the cell	(1)		
	(these vesicles) fuse with the cell membrane releasing the mucus	(1)		(2)



Q19.

Question	Answer	Additional Guidance	Mark
Number			
	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

Q20.

Question Number	Answer	Additional Guidance	Mark
(i)	An explanation that makes reference to the following: • changing a base results in a change in the triplet code	ALLOW deletion / substitution / insertion / frameshift. ALLOW illustration of change in triplet code e.g. ATT to ATG	
	this changes the codon(s) in the mRNA	ALLOW introducing a stop codon / terminating translation	(3)
	 resulting in a different { amino acid / amino acid sequence } (in the primary structure) 		



Question Number	Answer	Additional Guidance	Mark
(ii)	An explanation that makes reference to the following:		
	 sequence the genome of people with MPS1 		
	sequence the genome of a number of people without the condition		
	compare the base sequences to identify mutations found only in individuals with the condition	ALLOW comparison of base sequences of people with MPS1 and people without MPS1	(3)

Q21.

Question Number	Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
	An explanation that makes reference to the following:		
	(a recessive disorder is one) caused by a faulty allele (1)	ALLOW faulty gene ALLOW only expressed if	
	that is only expressed in the { homozygous condition / absence of a normal allele } (1)	genotype is { homozygous recessive / bb } or if two recessive alleles are inherited	
			(2)



Q22.

Question Number	Answer	Additional Guidance	Mark
	An explanation that makes reference to two of the following:		
	 use a range of concentrations between 0 and 2.0 (ng cm⁻³) 		
	so that enzyme concentration is the only limiting factor		(2)
	because the initial rates of reaction have to be compared		(2)

Q23.

Question Number	Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
(i)	An explanation that makes reference the following:		
	hydrolysis of ATP (1)	ALLOW as the reaction requires	
	provides energy for the reaction (1)	energy	
	 provides phosphate group for phosphorylation of F-6-P (1) 	ALLOW provides {phosphate / Pi} that is added to F-6-P	
			(3)



Question	Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
Number			
(ii)	An answer that makes reference to three of the following:		
	as concentration of { F-6-P / F-2,6-BP } increases so does the (initial) rate of reaction of the phosphofructokinase (1)	ALLOW 'enzyme' for 'phosphofructokinase'	
	 an increasing in the concentration of { F-6-P / F-2,6BP } will increase the rate of glycolysis (1) 	ALLOW F-2,6-BP provides positive feedback to the enzyme activity	
	up to a maximum (rate) (1)		
	increasing the concentration of F-2,6-BP reduces the concentration of F-6-P required to achieve the maximum rate of glycolysis (1)		
			(3)



Q24.

Question number	Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
	An explanation that makes reference to three of the following:		
	{ thick / sticky / viscous } mucus (1)		
	(accumulation of mucus) which cannot be moved by cilia (1)		
	 restricting air flow through { bronchioles / bronchi } (1) 	IGNORE 'airways' ALLOW narrowing of bronchioles	
	{increases diffusion distance / reduces surface area for gas exchange } in the alveoli (1)		(3)

Q25.

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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)