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- All candidates must receive the same treatment. Examiners must mark the first candidate in exactly the same way as they mark the last.
- Mark schemes should be applied positively. Candidates must be rewarded for what they have shown they can do rather than penalised for omissions.
- Examiners should mark according to the mark scheme not according to their perception of where the grade boundaries may lie.
- There is no ceiling on achievement. All marks on the mark scheme should be used appropriately.
- All the marks on the mark scheme are designed to be awarded. Examiners should always award full marks if deserved, i.e. if the answer matches the mark scheme. Examiners should also be prepared to award zero marks if the candidate's response is not worthy of credit according to the mark scheme.
- Where some judgement is required, mark schemes will provide the principles by which marks will be awarded and exemplification may be limited.
- When examiners are in doubt regarding the application of the mark scheme to a candidate's response, the team leader must be consulted.
- Crossed out work should be marked UNLESS the candidate has replaced it with an alternative response

	Answer	Mark
1(a)	The only correct answer is A log ₁₀ number of living bacterial cells B is incorrect because the total cell number plotted would not sow the death phase C is incorrect because the exponential phase would not be a straight line D is incorrect because the exponential phase would not be a straight line	(1)

Question number	Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
1(b)(i)	 An explanation that includes the following points: because we do not want {other bacteria in the culture / contamination} (1) as they could {compete for nutrients / produce toxins (to the bacteria being cultured)} OR because we do not want to transfer the bacteria onto {ourselves / surroundings} 	ACCEPT microorganisms / pathogens ACCEPT microorganisms competition for space ACCEPT prevent infection	(2)
	as they may be {pathogenic / harmful} (1)		

An explanation that includes the following points:		
 one named technique explained (1) a second named technique explained (1) 	 e.g. working by a Bunsen burner to create an updraft / to move the microorganisms in the air away / to prevent {bacteria / microorganisms / spores} falling into culture IGNORE kill bacteria in the air autoclaving {agar / culture fluid / equipment} using sterile equipment disinfecting work area washing hands to kill any {bacteria / microorganisms / spores} present washing hands flaming necks od bottles to prevent transferring {bacteria / microorganisms / spores} into cultures 	(2)
	+ to reduce chance of contamination close {doors / windows} +	
	• a second named technique explained (1)	 a second named technique explained (1) + to create an updraft / to move the microorganisms in the air away / to prevent {bacteria / microorganisms / spores} falling into culture IGNORE kill bacteria in the air autoclaving {agar / culture fluid / equipment} using sterile equipment disinfecting work area washing hands + to kill any {bacteria / microorganisms / spores} present washing hands flaming necks od bottles + to prevent transferring {bacteria / microorganisms / spores} into cultures reducing exposure of cultures to air + to reduce chance of contamination close {doors / windows}

Question number	Answer					Mark
2(a)						
			V	Virus		
	Structure	Ebola only	HIV only	both Ebola and HIV	neither Ebola nor HIV	
	DNA	[×]	[x]	[×]	[×]	(3)
	helical capsid		[x]	[×]	[x]	
	envelope	[x]	[x]	[X]	[x]	

Question number	Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
2(b)(i)	• (RNA) reverse transcriptase	ACCEPT RNA-dependent DNA polymerase DNA nucleotidyltransferase (RNA- directed) revertase DO NOT ACCEPT other named enzymes / molecules	(1)

Question number	Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
2(b)(ii)	 (this DNA polymerase found in cancer cells) so healthy cells will not be affected by the drug 	ACCEPT so that DNA synthesis will not occur and the cancer cells cannot divide	(1)

Question number	Answer		Mark
3(a)	The only correct answer is B		
	ADP is phosphorylated, requiring energy	ATP is hydrolysed, releasing energy	
	A is incorrect because energy is not released when ADP C is incorrect because ADP is not hydrolysed in the light D is incorrect because ADP is not hydrolysed in the light	-dependent reactions	(1)

Question number	Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
3(b)(i)	 An answer that includes three of the following points: DNA (loop) (1) stroma starch {grain / granule} (1) inner membrane (1) inter membrane space intergranal membrane / (stromal) lamellae / intergranal thylakoid (1) (small / 70S) ribosome (1) lipid droplets 	DO NOT ACCEPT if drawn as linear DNA DO NOT ACCEPT stoma ribosome intergranal membrane lipid droplets intermembrane space stroma brane blipid droplets intermembrane space	(3) EXP

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3(b)(ii)	An answer that includes four of the following points:	DO NOT PIECE TOGETHER	
	Similarities:		
	• both {consist of phospholipid bilayer / contain phospholipids} (1)		
	• both have proteins (1)		
	Differences:		
	 thylakoid membrane has ATP synthase but outer membrane does not (1) 	ACCEPT ATPase	
	 thylakoid membrane has {chlorophyll / carotenoids / light- absorbing pigments / PS I / PS II} but outer membrane does not (1) 		
	 thylakoid membrane has electron carriers but outer membrane does not (1) 		(4)

Question number	Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
4(a)	The only correct answer is A 4524 cm ³ A is incorrect because the answer has been incorrectly rounded C is incorrect because the diameter has been used and the answer incorrect D is incorrect because the diameter has been used	ly rounded	(1)

Question number	Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
4(b)(i)	 scale worked out as 300 (1) 750 / 780 (years) (1) 		(2)

Question number	Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
4(b)(ii)	An explanation that includes four of the following points:type of plant present when conditions are favourable (1)	NB Accept pollen grains for plants ACCEPT named condition	
		different plants grew at different times because conditions were different in context of the plant types	
	• type F found for greater number of years because { lives in a range of conditions / conditions did not change (much) / no competition from other (plant) species} (1)	ACCEPT named condition that did not change	
	• conditions changed allowing type {D / E} to grow (1)	ACCEPT named condition	
	• credit reason for a type of plant to disappear (1)	e.g F disappeared because conditions changed E disappeared because of competition from another species	(4)
	• credit example of what plants are competing for (1)	e.g. space, light, water, nutrients	

Question number	Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
5(a)(i)	• 113		(1)

Question number	Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
5(a)(ii)	 An explanation that includes the following points: (albumin / R groups) {negatively charged / polar / hydrophilic} (1) 		
	 and will therefore dissolve in the {water / blood <u>plasma</u>} (1) 	ACCEPT water / plasma is a polar solvent	(2)
	 forms hydrogen bonds with water (1) 	ACCEPT description of H bonds / weak bonds / Van der Waals forces DO NOT ACCEPT ionic bonds	

Question number	Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
5(b)(i)	• 1.175 (g dm ⁻³)		(1)
		ACCEPT 3 / 3.2 / 3.24 (times higher)	

Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
An explanation that includes the following points:		
• (thickest band) albumin is the most concentrated (in this sample) (1)	ACCEPT more albumin present	
• (moved the furthest) albumin could be the most soluble (1)	ACCEPT most (negatively) charged	
• in the solvent used (1)		(3)
• (moved the furthest) albumin could be the {lowest mass / lightest} (1)		
	 An explanation that includes the following points: (thickest band) albumin is the most concentrated (in this sample) (1) (moved the furthest) albumin could be the most soluble (1) in the solvent used (1) 	An explanation that includes the following points:

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5(c)	 An explanation that includes the following points: 15 µmol dm⁻³. is too low to activate the channel / 500 µmol dm⁻³ will activate the channel (1) 	ACCEPT refs to high or low concentrations	
	 therefore sperm will not be activated in the {seminal fluid / male} / therefore sperm activated in the {uterus / female} (1) 	ACCEPT fewer sperm activated / more sperm activated prevent early activation sperm can swim faster / acrosome enzymes will be released / sperm ready to digest the egg cell membrane	(4)
	 this will avoid waste of {resources / named resource} (1) so more {viable / healthy} sperm (1) so more likely fertilisation will take place (1) 	e.g. energy / ATP / acrosome ACCEPT successful	

Question number	Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
6(a)	A description that includes three of the following points:		
	• whether it caused side effects (in humans) (1)	ACCEPT named side effect e.g. allergic reaction	
	• whether or not it reduced the size of the plaques (1)	ACCEPT {plaque / amyloid} disappeared better than existing drugs effective	(3)
	• {(an effective) concentration / the half life} of the drug (1)	ACCEPT dose	
	• the (best) method to administer the drug (1)		
	• how long to administer drug (for amyloid to be destroyed) (1)		

Question number	Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
6(b)(i)	 An explanation that includes the following points: antibodies can <u>only</u> bind to their antigen / this antibody can <u>only</u> bind to β amyloid (1) 		
	 because of the (complementary) shape of {antigen / antibody} (1) 	ACCEPT FAB region / FAB receptor / receptor	(2)

Question number	Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
6(b)(ii)	 An answer that includes the following points: • {ATD / antibodies} will bind to the <u>amyloid</u> (1) 	ACCEPT opsonisation	
	 macrophages engulf the amyloid (1) macrophages {destroy / digest} the amyloid with {enzymes / lysozymes} (1) 	ACCEPT phagocytes / neutrophils ACCEPT phagocytes / neutrophils protease DO NOT ACCEPT lysosome	(3)

Question number	Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
6(c)(i)	An answer that includes the following points:		
	 because their immune system had already been activated (against amyloid) (1) 	ACCEPT a description e.g. a primary immune response had already taken place, the person had memory cells (to amyloid) antibodies present	(2)
	 and therefore {the amyloid was broken down / plaques could not form} (by phagocytes) (1) 	DO NOT ACCEPT by antibodies / B cells	

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6(c)(ii)	An explanation that includes the following points:		
	 because people with Alzheimer's disease will not have these memory cells (1) 	ACCEPT B memory cells not effective	
	 and therefore there will not be any memory cells that can differentiate into the plasma cells that produce the antibody (1) 	ACCEPT no memory cells that will result in the production of antibody DO NOT ACCEPT no memory cells to produce the antibody	(2)

Question number	Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
7(a)	An explanation that includes the following points:	NB ACCEPT pathogens / bacteria throughout DO NOT ACCEPT immune for resistance throughout	(2)
	 because MRSA has developed {antibiotic / methicillin} resistance (1) 	ACCEPT spreading / increasing	
	 so we have had to find new drugs that this bacteria is not resistant to (1) 	ACCEPT that will destroy it	

Question number	Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
7(b)	An explanation that includes the following points:	ACCEPT provide a barrier in protecting	
	 because skin flora {prevent the growth of / destroy / kill} {other bacteria / pathogens} (1) 	the body from infection	(2)
	 by competing for {space / nutrients} / producing toxins (1) 	ACCEPT produce lactic acid DO NOT ACCEPT sebum	

Question number	Answer Additional guidance			
7(c)	 An answer that includes two of the following points: (if the bacteria are weaker) they will {not reproduce as fast / infect fewer cells} (1) therefore there will be fewer toxins produced (1) therefore an immune response will be more effective (1) 	ACCEPT descriptions e.g. macrophages will be able to engulf more, more antibodies produced, more T killer cells activated	(2)	

Question number	Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
7(d)(i)	 An explanation that includes the following points: so that the size of the infection with the solvent could be measured (1) so that the effect of the drug itself can be determined (1) 	ACCEPT to show {the effect of Castaneroxy / that Castaneroxy is effective}	(2)

Question number	Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
7(d)(ii)	 An answer that includes any two of the following points: comment about effect of Castaneroxy on size during time period 0 and 6 days (1) 	e.g. Castaneroxy does not prevent increase in size, the size does not increase as much as the solvent	(3)
	 comment made about Castaneroxy (compared to solvent) on size during time period {0 / 6} and 14 days (1) comment comparing the two concentrations of Castaneroxy (1) AND 	e.g. Castaneroxy reduces mean size e.g. Castaneroxy at high concentration decreases the size more than at lower concentrations, high concentrations clear up the infection completely but low concentrations do not	
	• credit calculation to quantify reduction in size (1)		

Question number	Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
7(d)(iii)	 mass of Castaneroxy A needed in 1 dm³ calculated (1) mass of leaves needed for 50 000 µg (1) converted into kg and rounded up to 3 (kg) (1) OR 	50 000 2 631 578 947	(3)
	 50 µg converted into kg (1) mass needed in 1 litre (1) converted into kg and rounded up to 3 (kg) 	0.0000005 0.00005	

Question number	Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
8(a)(i)	 anthropogenic (climate change / activity / events) 		(1)

Question number				
8(a)(ii)	 An explanation that includes the following points: because {there is no evidence that climate change has actually caused the forest fires / it is only a correlation} (1) because certain {parties / politicians / business people} {have different opinions / want to continue their activities} (1) forest fires are caused for other reasons / other (non-human) factors cause climate change (1) lack of education (1) 	ACCEPT lack of trust in scientists ACCEPT named factor e.g. volcanic eruptions, solar flares	(2)	

Question number	Answer	Mark
*8(b)	Local atmosphere:	
	 increase in CO₂ levels in the atmosphere increase global warming increase in soot / smoke when the organic matter is burnt soot prevents so much light penetrating details of global warming extent depends on {size / frequency} of fires less CO₂ being removed from the atmosphere as there are fewer trees to photosynthesise CO₂ levels in atmosphere will begin to drop as CO₂ diffuses away from the area new plants will begin to grow growing plants will be photosynthesising faster (than established plants) therefore will be absorbing CO₂ from the atmosphere 	
	 biodiversity will decrease because plants and animals are killed because plant and animal homes will be destroyed animals depend on plants effect on food chains fragmentation of habitat fewer organisms of a species could affect gene pool increase in inbreeding further decreasing biodiversity plants will begin to sprout seeds will germinate (secondary) succession begins increasing biodiversity as biodiversity of plants increases so does the biodiversity of animals eventually climax community re-established 	(6)

			Additional guidance
Level 0	0	No awardable content	-
Level 1	1-2	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.	Simple links made between the forest fires and the effects on biodiversity and atmosphere 1 mark = effect of forest fires on either biodiversity or atmosphere 2 marks = effect of forest fires on both biodiversity and atmosphere
Level 2	3-4	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.	Extended links made the forest fires and the effects on biodiversity and atmosphere 3 marks = comments on both biodiversity and atmosphere with extended comment on one 4 marks = extended comments made on both biodiversity and atmosphere
Level 3	5-6	Demonstrates comprehensive knowledge and understanding by selecting and applying relevant biological facts / concepts. Consequences are discussed which supported throughout by sustained linkage to a range of scientific ideas, processes, techniques and procedures. The discussion shows a well-developed and sustained line of scientific reasoning which is clear and logically structured.	Clear discussions on the short-term and long-term effects of the forest fires on biodiversity and atmosphere 5 marks = plus clear discussion on the short-term and long- term effects of the forest fires on either biodiversity or atmosphere 6 marks = plus clear discussions on the short-term and long-term effects of the forest fires on both biodiversity and atmosphere

Question number	Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
8(c)	 An explanation that includes four of the following points: choose different trees if original trees not suited to the new 	ACCEPT keep same trees if they are suited to	
	conditions (1)	new conditions Choose trees that are adapted to the new conditions	
	 credit one change to consider (1) 	ACCEPT increased light intensity if linked to lack of tree cover	(4)
	 credit second change to consider (1) 	decreases mineral ions if linked to leaching	
	• credit an explanation for one of the choices made (1)	 e.gs. fire resistant so less likely to be destroyed again higher productivity {so habitat replaced faster / more carbon dioxide removed from the atmosphere} (drought) so that they will not dehydrate (flooding) so that {ground will not be water-logged / trees do not get washed away (temperature) so that their enzymes will function 	
	 consideration of {needs of / needs for} animals (1) 		

Question number	Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
9(a)	 mass of carbon in gt calculated in one year (1) 1.13 × 10¹³ (kg) (1) 	11.3 (gt per year)	
	OR		
	• mass in gt converted into mass in kg (1)	113 × 10 ¹² / 1.13 × 10 ¹⁴ / 11.3 × 10 ¹³	(2)
	• 1.13 × 10 ¹³ (kg) (1)		

Question number	Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
9(b)	A description that includes four of the following points:		
	 GALP converted into glucose (1) glucose and fructose used to produce sucrose (in the leaves) (1) 		
	• {sucrose / amino acids} moved (to the roots) in the phloem (1)	DO NOT ACCEPT glucose / protein	
	 {glucose / sucrose / amino acids} used to make {organic molecules / named organic molecule / named cell component} (in the roots) (1) 	DO NOT ACCEPT chlorophyll	
	• credit details of how a named polymer is synthesised (1)	e.g. calcium ions used to make (calcium pectate / cell walls), condensation reaction to form starch	(4)

Question number						Mark
9(c)						
			Inorga	nic ion		
	Molecule	nitrate only	phosphate only	both nitrate and phosphate	neither nitrate nor phosphate	
	cellulose	[×]	[×]	[×]	[X]	
	nucleic acid	[×]	[×]	[×]	[x]	
	triglyceride	[x]	[x]	[x]	[X]	
						(3)

Question	Answer	Mark
*9(d)	Yearly mean temperature:	
,(1)	• (overall) has the greatest influence /has the greatest influence in forests and shrublands	
	because temperature affects enzyme activity	
	details of effects	
	 in plants of all three ecosystems 	
	 therefore faster photosynthesis and production of glucose 	
	 RUBISCO works faster increasing light-independent reactions 	
	and production of GALP	
	Soil moisture content:	
	 has the greatest influence in grasslands / second greatest influence (overall) 	
	 because water needed for photolysis / light-dependent reactions 	
	 without which photosynthesis will not occur and GALP will not be made 	
	 water needed for transpiration and transport of mineral ions 	
	 water needed to transport sucrose / amino acids to roots 	
	 water maybe more important to trees / grass as they have extensive root systems 	
	Density of trees:	
	influential in all ecosystems	
	 high density of trees will cause {competition for light / shading} 	
	 so rate of light-dependent reactions will be slower 	
	so less ATP for light-independent reactions	
	so less biomass available in the roots	
	Carbon : nitrogen ratio:	
	 affects all three types of plant to some extent but low importance 	
	plants need soil nitrates for amino acid production	
	less nitrogen less protein available	
	protein examples e.g. enzymes, RUBISCO	
	 for active transport of mineral ions Depth of soil: 	
	affects trees the most but least importance	(6)
	 soil needed for anchorage / water / mineral ions 	
	 because they need deeper soil and more extensive root system 	
	 because they need deeper solt and more extensive root system therefore more biomass needed in their roots 	
	 shrubs / grass can grow in shallow soil as root system less extensive 	
	• sinces / grass can grow in shallow soll as tool system less extensive	

			Additional guidance
Level 0	0	No awardable content	
Level 1	1-2	Demonstrates isolated elements of biological knowledge and understanding to the given context with generalised comments made.	Simple links made between factors and the ecosystems
		Vague statements related to consequences are made with limited linkage to a range of scientific ideas, processes, techniques and procedures. The	1 mark = simple comment about {one factor / one ecosystem}
		discussion will contain basic information with some attempt made to link knowledge and understanding to the given context.	2 marks = simple comments about {three factors / three ecosystems}
Level 2	3-4	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	Extended links made between factors and ecosystems 3 marks = extended comments on one factor 4 marks = extended comments on two factors
		shows some linkages and lines of scientific reasoning with some structure.	
Level 3	5-6	Demonstrates comprehensive knowledge and understanding by selecting and applying relevant biological facts / concepts. Consequences are discussed which supported throughout by sustained linkage to a range of scientific ideas, processes, techniques and procedures. The discussion	Extended links made between factors and ecosystems that includes discussion about the relative importance of factors in root biomass in the different ecosystems
		shows a well-developed and sustained line of scientific reasoning which is clear and logically structured.	5 marks = extended comments on three factors 6 marks = extended comments on four factors

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