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General Marking Guidance

- 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.

| Question Number | Answer | Additional guidance | Mark |
|--------------------|--|-------------------------------|------|
| 1(a)(i) | An answer that includes the following points: | Evample | |
| | correct phloem position (1) correct sclerenchyma position (1) correct xylem position (1) | Scierenchyma Philoem Ayliem | |
| | | | (3) |

| Question | Answer | Mark |
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| Number | | |
| 1(a)(ii) | The only correct answer is D three | |
| | A is not correct because phloem transport water and organic solutes and are connected to other cells via plasmodesmata and moves substances by translocation | |
| | B is not correct because phloem transport water and organic solutes and are connected to other cells via plasmodesmata and moves substances by translocation | |
| | C is not correct because phloem transport water and organic solutes and are connected to other cells via plasmodesmata and moves substances by translocation | (1) |

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| 1(b)(i) | An answer that includes the following points: | mark first answer on each line | |
| | • cellulose (1) | accept polysaccharide / hemicellulose / lignin / (calcium) pectate | |
| | • {peptidoglycan / murein} (1) | Accept small {proteins / peptides} | |
| | | | (2) |

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| 1(b)(ii) | An explanation that includes three of the following points: | | |
| | cellulose (microfibrils) {in layers / in a mesh / at different angles / embedded in pectin} (1) | accept cellulose (molecules) bonded together by hydrogen bonds | |
| | (cellulose / microfibrils / hemicellulose / middle lamella) for {reduced flexibility / strength} (1) | accept support / rigidity / stability | |
| | shape of lignin (1) | e.g. helices ignore lignin unqualified | |
| | (lignin/ secondary thickening / secondary walls) for {strength / related to lateral movement of water} (1) | accept support / rigidity / stability / reduced flexibility ignore impermeable to water | |
| | | | (3) |

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| 2(a)(i) | An answer that includes the following point: | | |
| | correct number of chromosomes for both (1) | male gamete | |
| | | female gamete | (1) |

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| 2(a)(ii) | An answer that includes the following point: | | |
| | • correct label (1) | diploid organism meiosis 64 32 spores | |
| | | | (1) |

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| Number | | |
| 2(b)(i) | The only correct answer is A P | |
| | B is not correct because Q is an anther | |
| | C is not correct because it is a polar nucleus | |
| | D is not correct because T is an egg cell | (1) |

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| Number | | |
| 2(b)(ii) | The only correct answer is C T | |
| | A is not correct because that is the ovule | |
| | B is not correct because it is the polar nucleus | |
| | D is not correct because it is a male nucleus | (1) |

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| Number | | |
| 2(b)(iii) | The only correct answer is D U | |
| | A is not correct because they are pollen grains | |
| | B is not correct because they are the polar nucleus | |
| | C is not correct because it is an egg cell | (1) |

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| Number | | |
| 2(b)(iv) | The only correct answer is B S | |
| | A is not correct because it is a pollen grain | |
| | C is not correct because it is an egg cell | |
| | D is not correct because it is a male nucleus | (1) |

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| 2(b)(v) | A description that includes two of the following points: | | |
| | controls the growth of the pollen tube (1) | accept {forms / makes} pollen tube ignore forms a tube | |
| | contains the genes to make {digestive / hydrolytic} enzymes (1) | accept {produce / make / secrete / uses} {digestive / hydrolytic} enzymes | |
| | (which allows) the male {nucleus / nuclei / gamete(s)} to {enter ovule / enter ovary / enter egg cell / fertilise the egg cell / fertilise the polar nuclei / fertilise female gametes} (1) | ignore tube nucleus fusing / fertilising | |
| | | | |
| | | | (2) |

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| 3(a) | An answer that includes the following point: | | |
| | | | |
| | • eukarya (1) | | |
| | | | (1) |
| | | | |

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| 3(b)(i) | | Example of calculation: | |
| | correct line measurement and conversion (1) | 22 × 1000 = 22 000 μm | |
| | correct answer to two significant figures (1) | $(22000 \div 1.5) = 15000$ ecf for ± 1 mm | |
| | | Correct answer with no working shown scores full marks | (2) |

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| 3(b)(ii) | An explanation that includes the following points: | | |
| | an electron microscope was used for (photograph) B (1) | a light microscope was used for (photograph) A ignore scanning | |
| | more structures {can be seen / are distinguishable as being separate} due to high resolution (1) | ignore high resolution unqualified accept converse for light microscope accept {internal structures (of chloroplast) / ultrastructure / ribosomes} can be seen due to high resolution | |
| | | Accept higher resolution results in (two) points being distinguishable as separate | |
| | | | (2) |

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| 3(b)(iii) | The only correct answer is A amyloplast | |
| | | |
| | B is not correct because amyloplasts contain starch | |
| | C is not correct because amyloplasts contain starch | |
| | D is not correct because amyloplasts contain starch | (1) |
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| 3(c) | An answer that includes the following points: • centriole (1) | accept centrosome / microtubules | |
| | form spindle (fibres) / separate {chromosomes/chromatids} (in cell division) (1) | ACCEPT form microtubules / involved in cell organisation accept involved in cilia/flagella formation accept line up chromosomes {in metaphase / along equator} | (2) |

| Question Number | Answer | Additional guidance | Mark |
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| 4(a)(i) | 6.4 (mm³) (1) | $= 1.3r \times 3.14 \times 1.15^3 = 6.4$ | (1) |

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| 4(a)(ii) | An answer that includes two of the following points: | | |
| | contains {more cytoplasm (than sperm cell) / contains named organelles} (1) | e.g. endoplasmic reticulum, Golgi apparatus, more mitochondria, ribosomes accept contain cortical granules ignore nucleus / zona pellucida ignore mitochondria unqualified | |
| | contains {oil / lipid / triglyceride} (droplets) (1) | ignore food / nutrients | |
| | (which) provides {energy / ATP / monomers} (for developing embryo) (1) | ACCEPT (to supply materials) for {mitosis / cell division / development of embryo / growth of embryo} ignore {make/create/produce} energy accept reasons as to why the egg cell has {ER / ribosomes / Golgi apparatus} linked to protein synthesis | (2) |
| | | | (2) |

| Question | Answer | Mark |
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| Number | | |
| 4(b)(i) | The only correct answer is B metaphase | |
| | A is not correct because the cell is in metaphase | |
| | C is not correct because the cell is in metaphase | |
| | D is not correct because the cell is in metaphase | (1) |

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| 4(b)(ii) | An answer that includes the following point: | | |
| | a {stain / dye} was applied (to the cell) to make the {DNA / chromatin / chromosomes / spindle fibres / histone proteins} visible (1) | ignore stain unqualified accept {stain / dye} linked to a named structure inside the cell seen during mitosis e.g. add stain to chromosomes | (1) |

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| 4(b)(iii) | An answer that includes three of the following points: Similarities | Full marks can only be awarded if there is a similarity in the answer Can piece together from adjacent sentences | |
| | both contain diploid cells (1) | accept both have diploid number of chromosomes | |
| | both contain cells dividing by mitosis (1) Differences | ignore they have both formed by mitosis | |
| | morula contains totipotent cells whereas blastocyst contains pluripotent cells (1) | accept morula is totipotent whereas blastocyst is pluripotent accept morula has {undifferentiated cells / all genes switched on} whereas blastocyst {doesn't / has some differentiated cells / genes switched off} | |
| | morula {is a solid ball of / mass of} cells whereas blastocyst {is a hollow ball of / contains many} cells (1) | accept labelled diagram showing these aspects accept blastocyst contains {more cells / is larger} (than morula) / converse accept blastocyst contains a {trophoblast / inner cell mass / fluid filled cavity} whereas morula doesn't | |
| | | | (3) |

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| 4(c)(i) | A description that includes two of the following points: | | |
| | • flagellum rotates (1) | accept has a flagellum unqualified ignore has a tail unqualified accept tail {has whip like motion / rotates} | |
| | {energy/ATP} released by the mitochondria (in the mid piece) (1) | do not accept {makes / generates / produces} energy accept provides energy accept {makes / generates / provides / produces} ATP | |
| | streamlined shape to reduce {resistance / friction} (1) | | (2) |

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| 4(c)(ii) | An answer that includes the following points: | | |
| | as time (after release into water) increases, the sperm {velocity / speed} decreases (1) | Accept negative correlation ignore sperm cells slow down after being added to water | |
| | • sperm have a greater {velocity / speed} in March (1) | accept converse for February ignore references to numbers of sperm | |
| | | | (2) |

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| 5(a) | A description that includes two of the following points: | | |
| | analysis of an aspect of phenotype (1) | e.g. {named / described} aspect of physical appearance / analysis of growth characteristics / biochemical tests accept compare named aspect of structure / named organelle / ribosomes accept see if other bacteria survive in those conditions ignore behaviour | |
| | analysis of (the sequences in) biological molecules (1) | e.g. looking at (circular) DNA, genetic material, proteins accept molecular phylogeny / genetic profiling / create genetic fingerprint | |
| | (to see if) there are (many) differences (to existing types of bacteria) (1) | ignore compare to other bacteria species unqualified ignore similarities | |
| | | | (2) |

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| *5(b) | 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 indicated as relevant. Additional content included in the response must be scientific and relevant. | |
| | description of growth rate for {one / both} bacteria e.g. growth rate increased and then decreased growth rate of bacteria B was higher than growth rate of bacteria A (at optimum temperatures) Bacteria A {can survive in temperatures between -4-21°C / is not tolerant of temperatures above 21°C} whereas bacteria B {can survive in temperatures between 66-105°C / is not tolerant of temperatures below 66°C} Bacteria A {optimum / highest growth} rate is around 10°C whereas bacteria B {optimum / highest growth} rate is around 95°C | |
| | explanation of the increase and decrease in growth rate as temperature increases e.g. linkage to enzyme activity / optimum temperature (linked to highest growth) / denaturation / death of bacteria explanation linking enzyme activity linked to how it would affect growth rate of bacteria e.g. new cell wall production / production of cell structures / protein synthesis / metabolic reactions / respiration linked to energy available for growth explanation of how bacteria B can survive in the hot temperatures, e.g. {proteins / enzymes} that are thermostable | |
| | The percentage survival of bacteria reduces (when water was removed) / negative correlation Bacteria C survived for longer (without water) / more bacteria C survived (than mutated bacteria) The percentage survival of bacteria C reduced by over 70% after one day and no bacteria survived after 9 days / the percentage survival of mutated bacteria C reduced by 10% after one day and 60% bacteria C survived after 15 days error bars overlap so no significant difference | |
| | Mutated bacteria C had a mutation that did not protect it from dehydration e.g. {thinner / no} capsule / thinner cell wall / can't do reactions which produce water mutation could lead to different protein produced / mutation could lead to change in cell structure / description of how mutations change protein structure explanation of why bacteria need water e.g. {hydrolysis / respiration / chemical reactions / metabolic reactions / solvent / osmosis} | |
| | (0) | |

| | | | Additional guidance |
|---------|-----|--|---|
| Level 0 | 0 | No awardable content | |
| Level 1 | 1-2 | An explanation may be attempted but with limited interpretation or analysis of the scientific information and 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. | description of data from graphs only 1 mark = description of one graph 2 marks = description of both graphs |
| 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. | all level 1 plus 3 marks = basic explanation for one graph 4 marks = detailed explanation for one graph OR basic explanation for both graphs |
| Level 3 | 5-6 | An explanation is made that 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. | all level 2 plus detailed explanation for both graphs 5 marks = detailed explanation for one graph AND basic explanation for one graph 6 marks = detailed explanation for both graphs |

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| 6(a) | An answer that includes the following points: | | |
| | the extract {was effective / had anti-microbial properties} against all three types of bacteria (1) | accept positive correlation accept higher concentration of extract has more antimicrobial properties accept as the (extract) concentration increases, the {diameter / zone of inhibition} increases | |
| | as it {prevented growth of / killed} bacteria (around the disc soaked in extract) (1) | | |
| | it was most effective against bacteria A / least effective against bacteria B (at both concentrations) (1) | accept it inhibited (the growth of) A the most / B had most resistance | (3) |

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| 6(b)(i) | An answer that includes four of the following points: as concentration increased the duration of headaches degree and / the lower the concentration of the duration. | accept negative correlation | |
| | decreased / the lower the concentration of the drug the higher the duration of headaches (1) | | |
| | no data for 50 and 100mg kg⁻¹ for drug B / no data below 200 mg kg⁻¹ for drug B / drug B tested over smaller range of concentrations (1) | accept drug B was only tested for {the range 200-400 mg kg-1 /above 200 mg kg-1 / 2 concentrations} ignore drug B doesn't work below 200 mg kg-1 ignore there are no headaches below 200 mg kg-1 with drug B | |
| | the duration of headaches was shorter with drug A (than with drug B) / drug A is more effective (at reducing duration of headaches) (1) | ACCEPT converse for drug B | |
| | can't say which drug is more effective due to overlap of {error/ SD} bars (1) | accept there is {no significant difference / low validity / low reliability} as {error / SD} bars overlap ignore size of error bars | |
| | relevant comment about methodology (1) | e.g. lack of information about controlled variables / sample size / age | (4) |

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| 6(b)(ii) | An answer that includes three of the following points: | Can only piece together from adjacent sentences | |
| | Similarities (max 2) | | |
| | both test on patients with headaches (1) | accept both test on affected patients / both test on patients with the {disease / symptom} ignore patients unqualified | |
| | both can include {placebos / double-blind testing} (as well as drug A) (1) | | |
| | results from both phases would be {analysed with appropriate statistical test / tested for significant difference to placebo} (1) | accept both look for side effects | |
| | Differences | | |
| | (drug A is) tested on {small group of / 100 to 500} people in phase II whereas III tested on {large groups of / 1000-3000} people (1) | accept III tested on larger group (than II) / converse | |
| | appropriate {concentration/ dosage} (of drug A) would be identified in phase II (but not in phase III) (1) | accept {effective dose found / different concentrations used/ check dosage / determine dosage} in phase II | (3) |

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| 7(a) | correct calculation (1) | Example of calculation: $52 892 \times (1.016)^3 = 55471.65$ | |
| | correct answer to the nearest whole number (1) | = 55472 | |
| | | alternative method 52 892 x (1.016) = 53 738 and repeat 2 more times | |
| | | Correct answer with no working shown scores full marks | (2) |

| Question Number | Answer | Mark |
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| 7(b)(i) | The only correct answer is C two | |
| | A: | |
| | A is not correct because two varieties had a DI higher than 50 | |
| | B is not correct because two varieties had a DI higher than 50 | |
| | D is not correct because two varieties had a DI higher than 50 | (1) |

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| 7(b)(ii) | An explanation that includes four of the following points: | | |
| | seeds would be (prepared by being) dried (1) | | |
| | seeds would be treated with an antimicrobial (1) | accept seeds are {sterilised / disinfected} | |
| | seeds would be stored in suitable conditions (1) | e.g. seeds are frozen, placed in temperatures below 0°C, placed in dry conditions ignore 'low temperatures' unless linked to preventing {germination / growth / microbial growth} | |
| | samples of seeds would be {germinated / x-rayed / scanned} (to check viability) (1) | ACCEPT (some) seeds {'allowed to grow' / 'planted'} (to check viability) | |
| | replacement seeds would be collected from (these plants) (1) | ignore gather more seeds from other places | (4) |

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| 7(b)(iii) | An explanation that includes four of the following points: | | |
| | set up a {breeding programme / stud book} (1) | Accept keeping records of offspring | |
| | • {cross / breed} variety A with variety D (1) | | |
| | (because) D has {lowest wilt percentage / lowest disease index / best resistance} and variety A has the highest yield / A and D will produce offspring with resistance and high yield (1) | ACCEPT analysis of more plant varieties in seed bank to see if any have more resistance to the <i>R. solanacearum</i> bacteria accept {cross/breed} high yield varieties with (disease) resistant varieties | |
| | infect grown offspring with the bacterium / check to see if offspring are resistant (1) | | |
| | repeat using offspring with required characteristics (to get a new high-yielding and resistant variety) (1) | | |
| | | | (4) |

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| 8(a)(i) | An answer that includes one of the following points: | | |
| | (errors in genetic sequence of gene) occur in crossing over (1) | accept formation of recombinant alleles Reject independent assortment Do not accept crossing over of sister chromatids | |
| | the chiasmata may be at slightly different points (in the gene) (1) | | (1) |

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| 8(a)(ii) | A calculation showing the following steps: | Example of calculation: | |
| | • value for q (1) | $\sqrt{(1\div300000)}$ OR $\sqrt{(26000\div7800000)}$ 000) = 1.825741858 ×10 ⁻³ | |
| | • value for p ² (1) | $\{1-1.825741858 \times 10^{-3} \text{ or } 0.9981742581\}^2 = 0.9963518496$ | |
| | number of people without a mutated allele for ARD1 (1) | answer in range 7 768 800 000 to 7 771 545 079 | |
| | | Correct answer on answer line scores full marks | (3) |

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| 8(b) | An explanation that includes the following points: | | |
| | (active) mRNA only contains exons whereas pre-mRNA contains both introns and exons / active mRNA doesn't have introns whereas pre-mRNA does (1) | accept (active) mRNA is shorter / converse | |
| | active mRNA may have {fewer / different order of} exons (than pre-mRNA) (1) | accept pre-mRNA contains a different sequence of bases (in final exon order to active mRNA) | (2) |

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| 8(c)(i) | An answer that makes reference to the following points: {pluripotent stem cells / hiPSC} can give {differentiate / specialise / change into} into {most types of / some types of / liver} cells (1) | ignore pluripotent cell becomes a cell that can synthesise arginase do not accept can differentiate into {any / all} type of cell | |
| | through differential gene expression (1) | Accept some genes are {switched off / not active / silenced} | |
| | gene for arginase is {active / switched on / not switched off} | accept arginase gene expressed | |
| | by {epigenetic modification / histone modification / (DNA) methylation} (1) | accept acetylation accept description e.g. adding methyl groups (to DNA) | |
| | therefore {transcription / translation} occurs (to produce protein) (1) | Accept protein synthesis can occur | (5) |

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| 8(c)(ii) | An answer that makes reference to three of the following points: | | |
| | (hiPSC) are {from skin cells / from (another) adult} (1) | accept easier to obtain hiPSC ignore from own body | |
| | (therefore) no {destruction / harming} of {embryos / life} (1) treatment occurs in {liver/somatic} cells, therefore no changes | accept embryonic stem cells are not used accept more ethical than using embryonic stem cells / {fewer / no} ethical issues (for hiPSC) Accept there are ethical issues with using embryonic cells accept consent given / converse for embryos ignore no risk of rejection | |
| | to {gametes / germ cells} (1) | | |
| | • treatment {is long lasting / doesn't need to be repeated} (1) | accept to provide treatment for a fatal disease / may be only effective treatment / can save life (of someone with AD) / to reduce death from AD ignore to treat patients with AD | (3) |