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**MARK SCHEME for the October/November 2008 question paper**

<p><b>9700 BIOLOGY</b></p> <p><b>9700/02</b>      Paper 2 (Theory 1), maximum raw mark 60</p>
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1 (a) check column **A** and **B** for correct ref. to feature if not clear in first column description

feature	phagocyte (A)	plasma cell (B)
<u>rough</u> endoplasmic reticulum / <u>R</u> ER <i>allow ER if rough / RER stated in next column(s) R <u>S</u>ER</i>	small quantity / AW <b>A</b> few, less	large quantity / AW ; <b>A</b> many, more
ribosomes	few <i>or</i> ref. to free	many ; <i>or</i> not free / fixed
lysosomes	some / present / ✓	none / absent / x ;
vacuoles / vesicles / phagosomes	some / present / ✓	none / absent / x ;
nucleus	lobed / AW <b>A</b> irregular, not round <b>R</b> curved, elongated, no definite shape	round / not lobed / not irregular / AW ; <b>A</b> spherical, circular
Golgi (body)	absent / x	present / ✓ ;
plasma / cell (surface), membrane	with, endocytotic / pinocytotic / phagocytic / exocytotic, vesicles / vacuoles <b>A</b> invaginations, infoldings <b>R</b> indentations	without, endocytotic / pinocytotic / phagocytic / exocytotic, vesicles / vacuoles <b>A</b> no invaginations, no infoldings <b>R</b> no indentations
mitochondria	less / few / 3	more / many / 7 ;

[3 max]

(b) (to nearest whole number) (x) 6000 ;; **A** 5900 – 6100  
*allow 1 mark for correct working if answer incorrect / not to whole number*  
e.g. length of scale bar in mm × 1000, divide by actual size  
60 mm × 1000 / 10      **A** 59 – 61 mm

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- (c) *phagocyte*  
 move to sites of infection ;  
 ingest / engulf / pseudopodia enveloping / phagocytosis of / endocytosis of, bacteria / microbes / pathogens / AW ;  
**R** antigens, virus  
 (form) phagocytic / endocytotic, vacuoles ;  
**A** vesicles, phagosomes  
 ref to lysosomes ;  
 enzymes / named (hydrolytic) enzymes ;  
digest / hydrolyse, (bacteria / AW) ;  
 antigen presentation / description ; [3 max]

- plasma cell*  
 produce / secrete / release / synthesise , antibodies ; **A** make into, plasma / tissue fluid / lymph ; **A** blood  
 antibodies are proteins ;  
 ref to, RER / ribosomes ;  
 specificity qualified e.g. of, antibodies / lymphocyte / plasma cell  
 or description e.g. each type of plasma cell produces one type of antibody ;  
 Golgi (body) packages antibodies / ref to formation of (Golgi) vesicles ; [3 max]

- (d) (bacteria likely to be) resistant to (at least) one antibiotic (so useless) ;  
 less likely to be resistant to all / chance that bacteria will develop resistance to all antibiotics used is very small ;  
 ref to mutation / change to DNA ;  
 (bacteria are) inside cells where protected from antibiotics ;  
 (mycobacteria) divide / grow, slowly ;  
 ensures all bacteria killed / reduces below critical level ;  
 otherwise, bacteria remain / reservoir of infection ;  
 (so) prevents development of antibiotic resistance ; [4 max]

[Total: 15]

- 2 (a) *treat refs to mechanisms as neutral*  
 (soil to) root hair ;  
 idea of across, cortex / cortical cells (root) ;  
 apoplast / along cell walls ;  
 symplast / via, cytoplasm / plasmodesmata ;  
 through, endodermis / endodermal cells, by symplast pathway ;  
 (because of) suberin / Casparian strip ;  
 ref to passage cells ;  
 apoplast into the xylem ; [4 max]

- (b) (i) stomata are open (to allow diffusion / gas exchange) ;  
 (for) entry of CO<sub>2</sub> / release of O<sub>2</sub> ; AW  
 large surface area inside leaf (for gas exchange) ;  
cell surfaces / walls, in (palisade / spongy) mesophyll ;  
 moist / damp / wet ;  
 correct ref to evaporation ;  
 water vapour, diffuses out / AW; **A** water if linked to evaporation [3 max]

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## (ii) adaptations

(epidermal) hairs / trichomes ; **R** spikes, spines  
stomata in, pits / cavities / chambers ; **R** sunken stomata

reduced air movement / still air ;  
holds water vapour / has high(er) humidity / AW ; **A** holds moist air  
(therefore) less steep, water potential / vapour pressure / diffusion, gradient ;  
**A** qualified ref to diffusion shells between air inside leaf and air in pits ;

thick / waxy, cuticle (on upper, epidermis / surface) ;  
multilayered, epidermis / hypodermis ;  
thick walled epidermal cells ;  
cuticle reflects sunlight ;  
stomata only on lower surface / no stomata on upper surface ;

[3 max]

[Total: 10]

3 (a) (i) tertiary (structure) ; **A** 3° [1]

(ii) secondary (structure) ; **A** 2°, alpha / α, helix [1]

(b) active site ; **A** catalytic site [1]

(c) (i) mRNA CGU ; UGC / UGU **GAA**  
DNA **GCA** ACG / ACA CTT ; [3]

(ii) many / several / more than one, triplet for each amino acid ; **A** codon  
an e.g. from Table 3.1 ;  
degenerate code / description e.g. 64 possible triplets for 20 amino acids ; **A** codons  
AVP ; e.g. may be an intron in this region, different nucleotides at the beginning  
(signal sequence) [2 max]

(d) (i) *reject references to time e.g. rapid, slowly*  
as the concentration of, enzyme / lysozyme, increases the percentage of  
bacteria surviving decreases / AW ; **R** if only 1 named  
steep, decline / decrease, 0 to 10 / first two concentrations, for *E. coli* ;  
**A** large percentage difference in *E.coli* surviving at 0 to 10 / first two concentrations  
less steep / more gradual, decline / decrease, from 10 to 150 for *E. coli* ;  
decline / decrease, shallower / less steep from 0 – , 40 / 60 / 70 / 80, for *S. aureus* ;  
**A** small percentage difference in *S. aureus* surviving from 0 – , 60 / 70 / 80  
decline / decrease, more significant / steeper / more abrupt, from 60 / 70 / 80, up to 150  
for *S. aureus* ; **A** large percentage difference in *S.aureus* surviving from 60 / 70 / 80,  
up to 150  
always more *S. aureus* than *E. coli* ; ora  
all bacteria survive with no lysozyme ;  
lysozyme is more effective, at killing / against, *E. coli* / AW ; **A** ora  
all *E. coli* killed, at 150 pmol dm<sup>-3</sup> (of lysozyme) / at highest concentration ;  
comparative data quote ; *both axes, both curves*  
comparative data quote ; *penalise once for lack of units in both* [4 max]

(ii) different, polysaccharides / peptidoglycans, in cell walls ;

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*S. aureus*, does not have / has less, polysaccharides / peptidoglycans, in cell wall  
 ref to shape of active site ;  
 ref to shape of, polysaccharide / peptidoglycan (to fit into active site) ;  
*S. aureus* has a capsule / ora ; **A** protective lipids  
 AVP ; e.g. *S. aureus* produces inhibitor

[2 max]

[Total: 14]

- 4 (a) blood passes through the heart twice during one (complete) circuit of the body ;  
**A** one cycle / one circulation **R** cardiac cycle  
**A** systemic / body, and, pulmonary / lung, circulation [1]
- (b) withstands high(er) blood pressure ;  
 maintains blood pressure ;  
 ref to more, elastin / collagen / (smooth) muscle ;  
**A** thicker muscle [2 max]
- (c) vasoconstriction / contract / constrict / close / narrow, to, stop /  
 control / reduce, blood flowing through capillaries ;  
 blood, diverted / shunted, elsewhere ;  
 any suitable e.g. ; diverted from, skin when cold / gut during exercise  
 vasodilation / relax / dilate / open / widen, to allow blood to flow through capillaries ;  
 blood required in tissue to deliver, oxygen / glucose *or* to remove, lactate / carbon dioxide ;  
 [1 max]
- (d) pores / gaps / perforations, in / between, (endothelial) cells ;  
**A** pores in capillary wall **R** spaces, holes  
 water / ions / glucose, move out ; **A** named small soluble substances  
**R** list which contains incorrect substance / red blood cells  
hydrostatic pressure of blood is greater than (hydrostatic) pressure of tissue fluid ;  
 (causing) pressure filtration / AW e.g. forced out under pressure / ultrafiltration ; **R** leaking  
 pinocytosis across capillary wall ; [3 max]
- (i) *any three of the following*  
 more / plasma, proteins ;  
 more glucose ; **R** sugars  
 more, fat / fatty acids / glycerol ;  
 lower, water / solute, potential ; **R** water concentration  
 lower carbon dioxide concentration / lower concentration of  $\text{HCO}_3^-$  ;  
 higher oxygen concentration ;  
 AVP ; e.g. cell secretes substance that is in higher concentration in tissue fluid,  
 another named solute, higher pressure [3 max]
- (ii) lymph / lymphatic fluid ; [1]

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5 (a) one mark for each row

statement	haemoglobin	DNA	phospholipids	antibodies
contains iron	✓	x	x	x
contains phosphate	x	✓	✓	x
able to self-replicate	x	✓	x	x
hydrogen bonds stabilise the molecule	✓	✓	x	✓
contains nitrogen	✓	✓	✓	✓

[5]

(b) AVP answers must be in context to a watery external environment

ref to molecules held together / strong attraction / AW ;

**A** cohesion between water molecules

detail of hydrogen bonding, e.g. slight -ve charge on O, slight +ve charge on H ;

**A** water molecules are polar

high boiling point / boils at 100°C ;

high latent heat of vaporisation ;

so water is liquid over wide range of temperatures ;

(liquid so) provides, support / buoyancy ;

high (specific) heat capacity ;

stable temperature / temperature of water does not change quickly ;

large amount of energy needed to be transferred from water for it to freeze / high latent heat of fusion ;

maximum density at 4°C / less dense at 0°C ;

provides surface tension ;

ref solvent ;

AVP ;

AVP ;

e.g. ref to surface dwellers, less need for support tissue,

stable habitat qualified, ref upwelling currents

ice floats / insulates

[5 max]

[Total: 10]

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- 1 (a) (i) bracket extends across whole bilayer ;
- (ii) *fluid*  
phospholipids move (within their monolayer) / proteins, move / float ;  
**A** phospholipids are liquid  
*mosaic*  
proteins, scattered / dispersed, within, phospholipids / bilayer ;  
**R** membrane unqualified [2]
- (iii) both made of, protein / polypeptide(s) / amino acids ;  
*both have*  
disulphide bond ;  
antigen binding site ;  
variable region ;  
constant region ; **A** non-variable [2 max]
- (b) *helper cells*  
secrete / release / produce, cytokines / lymphokines / hormones ;  
to stimulate B cells to, divide / develop into plasma cells ;  
(which) produce antibodies ;  
stimulate macrophages to carry out phagocytosis ;
- cytotoxic / killer T cells*  
seek out / find / bind to, (foreign) antigens, on host cells / pathogens ;  
destroy, virally infected host cells / intracellular parasites / viruses ;  
attach to surface of cells / 'punch holes' into cells / disrupt cell surface (plasma) membrane;  
(release) toxic substances / hydrogen peroxide (into cells) / interferons ;  
**R** enzymes [4 max]
- (c) control of entry and exit of substances ;  
barrier to, polar molecules / water soluble molecules ;  
adhesion ;  
idea of retaining, large molecules / cell contents;  
allow substances across, passively / by diffusion ;  
ref to channel proteins ; **A** pore *allow transport protein once*  
move substances through carrier proteins ;  
active transport ;  
ref to facilitated diffusion ;  
endocytosis / exocytosis / phagocytosis / pinocytosis ;  
recognise, hormones / neurotransmitters / chemical signals ;  
sites of chemical reactions / sites for enzymes ; [3 max]

[Total: 12]

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2 (a) (i) *assume answer is about glycogen*

branched ;  
1–6 , glycosidic, links / bonds ;  
not, coiled / helical ; [2 max]

(ii) compact so large quantity can be stored ;  
insoluble so no osmotic effect ;  
glucose would lower water potential ; **A** decrease, more negative  
(so) water would enter and cell volume would increase ;  
(so) plant cells would need thicker cell walls / animal cells might burst ;  
glucose reactive molecule ; [3 max]

(b) *use annotations to help award these points*

- 1 oxygen bridge / glycosidic bond, broken ;
- 2 at left hand end of chain ;
- 3 water shown to be involved ; **A** hydrolysis
- 4 free glucose molecule with –OH drawn on C1 ;
- 5 chain now ends with –OH on C4 ; [3 max]

[Total: 8]

3 (a) *max 2 if no reference to data*

up to substrate concentration of 24 / 25 g dm<sup>-3</sup>, substrate concentration is limiting ;  
24 / 25 to 30 g dm<sup>-3</sup>, another factor is limiting ;  
enzyme concentration / temperature / pH ;  
active sites, not filled up to 24 / 25 g dm<sup>-3</sup> / all filled above 24 / 25 g dm<sup>-3</sup> ;  
**A** enzyme working at maximum rate  
ref to collisions between substrate molecules and enzyme ; [3 max]

(b) same shape starting at the origin and with plateau starting at 24 / 25 g dm<sup>-3</sup> ;  
lower ; **A** plateau that starts between 7–12 au [2]

(c) *either*

competitive inhibitor / effect described in terms of competition ;  
same shape as protein / substrate / elastin ; **A** complementary shape  
to active site **R** same / similar, structure to active site  
fits into active site ;  
blocking entry of substrate / prevents formation of ES complex ;

*or*

non-competitive inhibitor / described in terms of not competing ;  
fits into, a site other than active site / allosteric site ;  
shape of enzyme changes / shape of active site changes ;  
active site no longer complementary shape to substrate ;

*or*

combines permanently with, active site / other site on enzyme ;  
e.g. by covalent bonding ;  
blocks access to active site / causes tertiary structure to change ;  
prevents formation of ES complex ; [3 max]

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- (d) set up different concentrations of substrate ;  
same concentration of inhibitor ;  
measure rate of reaction ;

*if competitive*

lower rate at low substrate concentrations, but at high substrate concentration will reach the same plateau ;  
increasing substrate concentration reverses inhibition ;

*if non-competitive / irreversible*

lower rate / no activity / does not reach the same rate at high substrate concentrations ;  
increase substrate concentration does not reverse inhibition ;

*accept sketch graphs to show results*

[4 max]

- (e) expands / stretches, during inhalation ;  
recoils during exhalation ;  
forces air out of alveoli ;  
prevents bursting of alveoli ;

[2 max]

- (f) emphysema ; **A** chronic obstructive, pulmonary / lung disease  
**A** COPD or COLD

[1]

[Total: 15]

- 4 (a)  $H^+$  pumped out ;  
creates an  $H^+$  gradient ;  
sucrose moves in with  $H^+$   
co-transport / through co-transporter ;  
energy / ATP, provided by mitochondria ;  
sucrose diffuses down concentration gradient ;  
through plasmodesmata ;

[4 max]

- (b) large surface area : volume ratio / to increase surface area ;  
gives large surface area of membrane ;  
(so) many, pumps or co-transporters ;

[2 max]

- (c) (i) higher / greater resolution / resolving power ; **ora**  
**A** 0.5 nm (0.0005  $\mu\text{m}$ ) compared with 200 nm (0.02  $\mu\text{m}$ )  
because of shorter wavelength ; **A** smaller  
more detail can be seen / much clearer (at the same magnification)  
/ can see two points that are close together ;  
can see cell structures that are not visible in the LM ;  
**A** e.g. ribosomes / membranes  
can see detail of structures just visible in LM with e.g. ;  
**A** mitochondrion / chloroplast

[2 max]

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- (ii) long (length greater than width) ;  
 sieve plates ;  
 sieve pores ;  
 some / less / peripheral, cytoplasm ;  
 no nucleus / fewer mitochondria / less ER ;  
 thin wall ;

[2 max]

[Total: 10]

- 5 (a) transmitted by, *Anopheles* / mosquito / (insect) vector ;  
*P. falciparum* / parasite, needs, warm / hot, temperatures / >20°C,  
 to complete its life cycle (in the mosquito) ;  
 requirement for areas of still water (ref. mosquito life cycle);  
 eradicated in areas outside tropics (e.g. North America) ;

[2 max]

- (b) (i) A 28 ;  
 B 14 ;

[2]

- (ii) reduce / halve, chromosome number ;  
 retain diploid number at fertilisation ;  
 prevent chromosome number doubling each generation ;  
 ref to variation ; A ref. to meiosis crossing over / independent assortment

[2]

- (c) genetic complexity of *Plasmodium* ;  
 A ref to *Plasmodium*, being eukaryotic / having many genes  
 many antigens / antigenic variation ;  
 many stages in life cycle (within human) ;  
 antigens change in different stages ;  
 idea that variation generated during meiosis ;  
 mutations / recessive alleles, are expressed in haploid stage(s) ; ora  
*Plasmodium* / parasite, lives within cells ; A only briefly free in the blood stream  
 A antigenic concealment  
 T-lymphocyte / B-lymphocyte, receptors not stimulated ;  
antibodies cannot work against stages within cells ;

[4 max]

[Total: 10]

- 6 B 3  
 C 4  
 D 9  
 E 6  
 F 2

[5]

[Total: 5]