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## **MARK SCHEME for the October/November 2013 series**

### **9700 BIOLOGY**

**9700/53**

Paper 5 (Planning, Analysis and Evaluation),  
maximum raw mark 30

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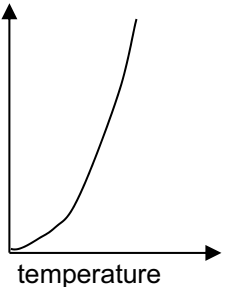
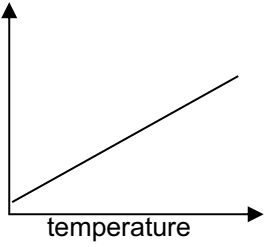
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Mark schemes abbreviations:

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| <b>;</b>                | separates marking points                                                       |
| <b>/</b>                | alternatives answers for the same point                                        |
| <b>R</b>                | reject                                                                         |
| <b>A</b>                | accept (for answers correctly cued by the question, or guidance for examiners) |
| <b>I</b>                | ignore (for responses that are irrelevant to the answer given)                 |
| <b>AW</b>               | alternative wording (where responses vary more than usual)                     |
| <b><u>underline</u></b> | actual word given must be used by candidate (grammatical variants excepted)    |
| <b>max</b>              | indicates the maximum number of marks that can be given                        |
| <b>ora</b>              | or reverse argument                                                            |
| <b>ecf</b>              | error carried forward                                                          |
| <b>mp</b>               | marking point (with relevant number)                                           |

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| 1 (a) (i) | <p><i>independent:</i> temperature ;</p> <p><i>dependent:</i> distance moved by, dye / air (along capillary / AW, in a specific time);</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | <p>I volume of oxygen taken in / rate of respiration</p> <p>A distance moved / movement of, dye / air</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | [2]  |
| (ii)      | <p>axes correct orientation and labelled ;</p> <p>line, exponential / increases with temperature;</p> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around; align-items: center;"> <div style="text-align: center;"> <p>rate of respiration</p>  <p>temperature</p> </div> <div style="text-align: center;"> <p>rate of respiration</p>  <p>temperature</p> </div> </div> | <p>units not required</p> <p>A for y-axis, volume of oxygen / amount of oxygen / oxygen uptake / distance moved / distance along capillary / movement of dye or air</p> <p>line does not need to start at origin</p> <p>if axes not labelled assume they are correct way round and award plot mark if possible</p> <p>if axes inverted, look for appropriate curve</p> | [2]  |

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| (iii)    | <p>8 of:</p> <p><i>independent variable:</i></p> <p>1. use, same mass / known (stated) mass, of (germinating) <u>seeds</u> ;</p> <p>2. ref. to suitable number and range of temperatures ;</p> <p><i>dependent variable :</i></p> <p>3. ref. to method of measuring distance moved ;</p> <p>4. ref. to measurements of distance at, specific / known / stated, time intervals ;</p> <p>5. ref. to some idea of a method of placing dye into capillary <b>or</b><br/>ref. to use of syringe to, set / reset, dye ;<br/><i>controlled variables (max 3)</i></p> <p>6. ref. to ensuring apparatus is airtight / method described ;</p> | <p>1. <b>I</b> amount. <b>A</b> stated number of seeds but ignore 1 seed<br/><b>R</b> organisms / named organisms other than seeds</p> <p>2. minimum of 4 temperatures giving minimum of three 10°C rises</p> <p>3. e.g. use a ruler or grid on tube / mark start and end and use a ruler / use a graduated tube / callipers<br/><b>R</b> metre rule if first on list</p> <p>mp3 and mp4 can be stated as same distance and measure time or same time and measure distance either time or distance must be fixed<br/><b>A</b> any specified time</p> <p>5. <b>A</b> pull dye into capillary / dye sucked in / idea of dropping pipette to insert dye / tube dipped into dye</p> <p>6. <b>I</b> watertight<br/><b>A</b> vaseline / plasticine / tight connections / AW, as method</p> |      |

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|          | 7. ref. to method of keeping constant temperature ;                                                                            | 7 e.g. in water bath / incubator / temp controlled room<br><b>I</b> air conditioning<br><b>R</b> ref. to thermometers if used to control temperature<br><b>A</b> thermostatically controlled device |      |
|          | 8. <i>idea of:</i> equilibration / acclimatisation / AW, of respirometer containing seeds before measuring ;                   | 8. <b>I</b> stated times - looking for acclimatisation / AW<br><b>A</b> 'to get a steady rate'                                                                                                      |      |
|          | 9. <i>idea of:</i> replacing, air / oxygen, between measurements ;                                                             | 9. <b>A</b> refresh air at intervals                                                                                                                                                                |      |
|          | 10. ref. to control / comparison, with inert material (of same mass) ;                                                         | 10. e.g. glass beads / boiled seeds / stones / AW                                                                                                                                                   |      |
|          | 11. ref. to using, same / stated, mass of absorbent <b>or</b> replacing, each time / from time to time / when saturated / AW ; | 11. <b>A</b> <i>idea of</i> enough absorbent to ensure all carbon dioxide absorbed / excess absorbent.<br><b>I</b> amount / volume <b>A</b> same number of pellets                                  |      |

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|          | <p><i>safety:</i><br/>12. ref. to suitable hazard and precaution ;</p> <p><i>reliability:</i><br/>13. ref. to replicates, and mean / to identify or eliminate anomalies ;</p> | <p>12. <b>A</b> carbon dioxide absorbent being, corrosive / an irritant / harmful / toxic / poisonous / AW, <b>and</b> gloves / eye protection / AW<br/> <b>A</b> ref. to allergic risk from seeds or absorbent <b>and</b> precaution (gloves / mask / AW)<br/> <b>A</b> 70 °C or above water and suitable handling like tongs<br/> <b>A</b> low risk <b>R</b> no risk</p> <p>13. must be a minimum of 3<br/> <b>A</b> as original and 2 more / several<br/> <b>A</b> repeats<br/> <b>A</b> average for mean<br/> <b>A</b> outliers for anomalies</p> <p><b>I</b> mean of readings along the capillary at timed intervals i.e. mean of distances measured 1–2 min, 2–3 min, 3–4 min</p> | [max 8] |

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| (b)      | <p>allow answers that describe the main stages of the calculation in words or as a formula</p> <p>look for the elements of the calculation which may be shown separately</p> <p>3 of:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>ref. to valid method calculating volume of oxygen ;</li> <li>ref. to dividing by the mass ;</li> <li>ref. to dividing by time ;</li> <li>ref. to correct units either <math>\text{cm}^3 \text{g}^{-1} \text{s}^{-1}</math> or <math>\text{cm}^3 \text{g}^{-1} \text{min}^{-1}</math> ;</li> </ol> <p>or</p> <p>ref. to valid method calculating volume of oxygen ;</p> <p><math>\frac{\text{total volume of oxygen (cm}^3\text{)} (= y)}{\text{total time (s) x mass (g)}} ; ;</math></p> <p><math>(y) = \text{cm}^3 \text{s}^{-1} \text{g}^{-1}</math> or <math>\text{cm}^3 \text{g}^{-1} \text{min}^{-1}</math> ;</p> | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>A</b> any valid method, e.g. distance (d) / length (l) / height (h) <math>\times \pi r^2 / \pi (D \div 2)^2 / D^2 \div 4</math>, pre-calibrated tube.<br/>d / l / h do not need to be explained.<br/><b>I</b> surface area <math>\times d / l / h</math></li> <li><b>A</b> <math>\text{cm}^3 / \text{g} / \text{s}</math> or <math>\text{cm}^3 / \text{g} / \text{min}</math></li> </ol> <p><b>I</b> actual value of y if an example is used<br/><b>A</b> <math>\text{cm}^3 / \text{g} / \text{s}</math> or <math>\text{cm}^3 / \text{g} / \text{min}</math> or per in words</p> | [max 3] |

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| (c)      | <p>2 of:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>idea of finding <u>range</u> at which the, oxygen uptake / dye movement / respiration rate, was greatest ;</li> <li>ref. to repeating the measurements (in this range) at smaller temperature intervals ;</li> <li>one with max, oxygen uptake / dye movement / respiration rate = optimum temperature ;</li> </ol> | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>A</b> do smaller intervals across whole range</li> <li><b>A</b> in context of plotting a graph to find optimum<br/><b>A</b> general ref. to do at various temps and find one with highest value</li> </ol>                                                                                            | [max 2] |
| (d) (i)  | <p><i>idea that:</i><br/>(most / all, of) the results are, higher / larger (than those measured at the same temperature in the other trials) ;</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | <p><b>A</b> results, furthest from / large distance from / AW, means<br/><b>A</b> some results are significantly higher<br/><b>R</b> does not follow the trend of others / trend different but <b>A</b> same trend but higher<br/><b>I</b> just quoting one or two temps are out, e.g 20<br/><b>I</b> ref. to standard deviation</p>            | [1]     |
| (ii)     | <p>1 of:<br/><i>idea that</i> mammal, moving around / more energetic / not at rest / has higher metabolic rate ;</p> <p>mammal, under stress / frightened / shocked / nervous / AW ;<br/><i>idea of</i> have not given enough time for the mammal to adapt to the apparatus ;</p>                                                                                       | <p><b>I</b> ref. to faulty, apparatus / technique</p> <p><b>A</b> different, gender / size / species / type, of mammal, (in, each trial / first trial)<br/><b>A</b> idea of food intake before (first) trial<br/><b>I</b> contaminated with microorganisms</p> <p><b>A</b> mammal not, acclimatised / accustomed / used / AW, to conditions</p> | [max 1] |



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| (iii)              | <p>2 of :</p> <p>1. <u>higher</u> oxygen uptake means, higher rate of / <u>more</u>, respiration ; ora</p> <p>2. (at, lower temperatures / this temperature,) mammal is losing <u>more</u> heat (to the environment) / AW ;</p> <p>3. ref. to (at lower temperatures) mammal is respiring <u>more</u> / using <u>more</u> oxygen, to, release <u>more</u> heat / maintain (body) temperature / keep (body) temperature constant ;</p> | <p><b>A</b> metabolism / ATP production, as alternative terms for respiration<br/> <b>A</b> thermal energy for heat<br/> <b>I</b> energy unqualified</p> <p>1. look for a link between the higher uptake and higher rate.<br/> not just 'needs more oxygen to respire'</p> <p>2. <b>A</b> <u>faster</u> temperature drop / loses heat <u>more</u> easily / AW</p> <p>3. <b>Ignore</b> ref. to keeping warm</p> | [max 2] |
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| 2 (a) (i) | <p>1 of:<br/>temperature ;<br/><br/>light <u>intensity</u> ;<br/><br/>concentration of (radioactive) auxin ;<br/><br/>composition / type, of the agar ;</p>                                           | <p>mark first in list but<br/>I amount throughout<br/>I light unqualified</p> <p><b>A</b> mass / weight <b>R</b> volume</p> <p><b>A</b> same agar / same concentration of agar</p>                                                                                                                                                                       | [max 1] |
| (ii)      | <p>1 of:<br/>oxygen / air, is required for the movement of auxin ;<br/><br/>energy / ATP / respiration, is required for the movement of auxin ;<br/>movement of auxin involves active transport ;</p> | <p><b>A</b> in terms of 'most movement'<br/><b>A</b> <i>idea that</i> movement is, greater / faster / better / more / AW, in, air / oxygen (than in nitrogen) ora but must mention air / oxygen<br/>I 'air is an opt medium for movement'<br/>I 'rate of movement is affected by surrounding air / atmosphere'<br/>I ref. to N being inhibitory / AW</p> | [max 1] |
| (iii)     | 50 (mm h <sup>-1</sup> ) ;                                                                                                                                                                            | <p><b>R</b> if units wrong<br/><b>A</b> mm/h <b>or</b> mm per hour</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | [1]     |

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| (b) (i)           | mean in dark is lower / mean rate in dark is slower ; ora<br><br>no overlap in terms of using the values for <i>s</i> / confidence intervals ;                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | <b>A</b> idea that lower rates overall for plants grown in the dark ora<br><b>A</b> raw figures<br><b>I</b> ref. to standard deviation being lower<br><b>I</b> ref. to error bars                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | [2]  |
| (ii)              | <i>idea of:</i><br>there is no <u>significant</u> difference in the rate of movement (of auxin) for, plants grown in light and (plants grown) in dark / the 2 treatments;                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | <b>A</b> the difference in the rate of movement (of auxin) for plants grown in light and plants grown in dark is not significant<br><b>I</b> differences in movement in light and dark are due to chance.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | [1]  |
| (iii)             | <i>3 of:</i><br>1. general idea of, finding / using, degrees of freedom<br><br>2. ref. to using 0.05 / 5% <u>probability</u> to find critical value / AW (for <i>t</i> ) ;<br><br>3. idea of: compare the (calculated) <i>t</i> –value with the critical value / AW ;<br><br>4. if value of <i>t</i> is higher than critical value it is significant / not due to chance) / reject null hypothesis / accept alternative hypothesis ; ora | 1. <b>A</b> using 18 degrees of freedom ;<br><b>I</b> any wrong number calculated and award mark if degrees of freedom cited<br><b>I</b> any formula e.g. $(10 - 1) + (10 - 1)$<br><br>2. <b>A</b> 0.01 / 1% probability<br><b>A</b> significance levels for probability<br><br>3. <b>A</b> see if value of <i>t</i> is, higher / lower, than critical value<br><b>A</b> if refer to ‘the right or left of the critical value’ or ‘above or below’.<br><b>A</b> for mp2 and mp3 alternatives to critical value, e.g. ‘table value / chart value / the value looked up’<br><br>4. <b>I</b> ref. to ‘insignificant’ / ‘more significant’ / ‘less significant’ | [3]  |
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