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Paper 31 (Advanced Practical 1), maximum raw mark 40

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| Question | Expected Answers | | | Additional Guidance | Marks |
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| Record OE | BSERVATIONS and NUMERICAL MEAN DE | ONS and NUMERICAL MEAN DEGREE OF PLASMOLYSIS | | 2PDO recording, 2MMO collection, 2MMO decision. | |
| : | plasmolysis/numerical (estimate); shows 5 cells recorded per solution; (water) 1 or label; (S1) number more than water or label; (S2) number between S1 and water or label; | (all table) cells drawn between different text | or 0.5; Ignore units. | Mark best table, ignore any additional text or drawings. No outer boundary needed. Any evidence of five cells only, e.g. five drawn per solution or total cells 5 or 1 + 3 + 2 + 1 + 1 1 2 3 4 none slight extensive severe Allow any correct numbers. | |
| Describe a | and explain observations from water, S1 ar | nd \$2. | | Ignore decimal places. 3 MMO decisions | [6] |
| 1 (a) (ii) | 1. high/0 to low/ from higher to lower less negative/0 to more negative wate down water potential gradient 2. (in water) cells turgid/no or slight plas 3. (in S1) cells plasmolysed/flaccid/desci OR (in S2) no/less/capped plasmolysis/de accept cytoplasm/cell membrane pulled a cell wall/vacuole shrinks. Reject cell shring | molysis ribed escribed way from | AND by osmosis; AND water has moved in/no net movement/correct idea of water out; AND water moved out; AND no net movement/water moved out; | In correct context. Accept ψ. Solute/osmotic potential is ignored but must be the same as water potential i.e. from high to low so reject pt1 if wrong way. Ignore hypotonic and hypertonic but must be in correct context if used. Ignore 'no change'. Must be correct with the candidate's own results. | |
| | | | | | [3] |

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| Identify to | wo sources of error in this experiment | | 2 ACE interpretation | |
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| 1 (a) (iii) | Two from difficult to judge degree of plasmolysis, or have to estimate between values for plasmolysis; evaporation from solutions/concentration of solution changes/(S1/S2)diluted by distilled water; (cells) left different times/too short a time/not long enough; AVP; volume/no. of drops used, or different onions, or different parts of onion/not fresh/have been frozen/stored; | Reject just time or just volume alone. Accept different or varied. Reject immersed. Reject should be same time – not an error. Reject air bubbles. Reject amount. | Mark for any correct. Reject improvements. Such as 'should keep time the same, etc.' | [2 max] |
| Suggest | Suggest how you would improve this experiment. | | | |
| 1 (a) (iv) | one/more/serial dilution concentration; examples at least 3 in addition to 0.0, 0.5 and 1.0; | | | |
| | repeat each concentration/more than one strip (per concentration); keep the time the same/give an example of time/longer time; keep the volume the same AND method/use burette/graduated pipette, or smaller syringe /count no. of drops/AW, or cover solution to prevent evaporation, or immerse in S1 or S2 before mounting; | Beware repeat expervariable. Reject measuring cy | | |
| | same onion/part of onion/fresh onion; count more cells or more than 5/have more detailed numerical estimates; | Accept photographs. | | [3 max] |

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| Complet | te the 7 | Table 1.2 by calculating the missing values | PDO display | | |
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| 1 (b) (i) |) 64 AND 85; | | A whole numbers only and both correct | | [1] |
| 1 (b) (ii) | plasm | (°) = 15 25 30 45 55 tage// 15 25 30 45 55 | | | |
| | 0 | x-axis T/temp./temperature AND °C | AND y-axis percentage/% plasmolysis; | | [1] |
| | S/P | scale as shown/x axis must start at 5, allow no 0 and no 100 marked | AND plotting crosses or dot in circle ONLY AND 5 (20), 25(76), 45 and 55 (both 85) plotted correctly; NO cross larger than X or O . Plots 20, 76 must be on horizontal line, both 85's between the horizontal lines. Ignore incorrect calculated mean plots i.e. 15 and 35 | Reject blobs in or out of circle. | [1] |
| | L | either straight lines joining each point or smooth curve; quality – no thicker than not feathery, for the Check 5 to 15 must be connected point to point exactly, be horizontal line. Ignore 25 and 35 unless candidate draws | complete line. by straight line or curve AND 45 to 55 must be a | Reject any extrapolation beyond either axis. | [1] |

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| State temp | erature at which 50% plasm | olysis occurred | | ACE interpretation | | |
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| 1 (b) (iii) | take reading from candidate | e's own graph AND °C; | | Allow only 0.0 or 0.5, no decimals must round co | | [1] |
| | upports the hypothesis and produce a revised hypothesis if necessary | | | ACE conclusion | | |
| 1 (c) | Draws conclusion: as temp. increases the percentage plasmolysis increases/is proportional; Then one of quotes figs. between 5°C and 55°C and the two %'s OR (increases) up to 35°C or no more plasmolysis after 35°C; | supports hypothesis (reject supports conclusion); (but if rejected because of conclusion then can still have) Then quotes figs between 5°C and 55°C and the two %'s OR (increases) up to 35°C or no more plasmolysis after 35°C; | | Reject any ref. to 100% plasmolysis or cells dying/denatures. ACCEPT 35/45 OR BETWEEN, | IGNORE rate. | [1] |
| | | | | DEPENDING ON THE CANDIDATE'S GRAPH. | | [1] |
| | | | | | Total | [21] |

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| ? (a) (i) | sharp, clear unbroken lines, | AND 3 bulges; | | | errors for first part of |
|-----------|--|----------------|--|--|---|
| | no cells at least 8 lines across lumen at any point; incomplete ring of cartilage; | AND no shading | AND larger than 6cm; Ignore additional layer with dashes layers. | | al shaded circles and one es. NO block shading of two whole specimen. |
| | | 000 | | Point 1 No more than three errors ringed. Point 3 anywhere n diagram at any point there are 8 ines across. | Xai OX ((|

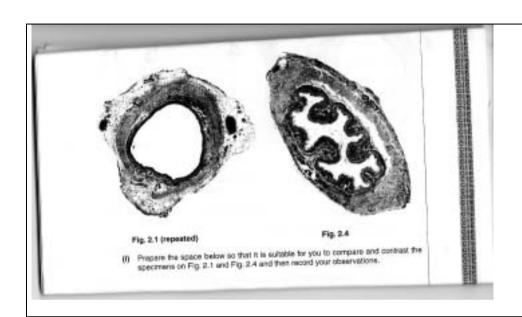
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| Jse this I | information to calculate the act | ual width of the lu | men. | | | MMO col | | DO record | ing, |
|--|--|---|--|----|---|--|------------|-----------|------|
| ? (a) (ii) | Each division on stage scale is 0 measurements given e.g. mm. It point 1 wrong then can have any | point 1 right then r | | | | llow units | or divisio | ns. | |
| First Mark No.of eyepiece grat. W 7 15 29/30 | | | | | | | | | |
| Second I | Mark No.of eyepiece grat. Y | 8 | 7 | 16 | 7 | 14 | 21 | 32 | 39 |
| | No on stage micrometer 2 | 2 9 | 4 | 9 | 2 | 4 | 6 | 9 | 11 |
| | rk Show logical reasoning | then proceed a and then W, or strictly the corre Ignore answer | EITHER Z divided by Y first then proceed and allow multiplication by either V and then W, or W and then V, even though not strictly the correct reasoning. Ignore answer and units. Rej. if additional figs., even if x1. | | | OR Z x V AND divided by Y. followed by x W. Ignore answer and units. Rej. if additional figs. even if x1. Ignore multiplication for units, even metres. | | | |
| | | | Either answer (between 100 and 999 with) μm. Allow standard form if correct. Reject metres. OR answer (between 100 and 999 with) μm. Allow standard form if correct. | | | | | | |

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| Suggest | Suggest how an error in measuring the width of the lumen could occur. | | 1 Ace interpretation | |
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| 2 (a) (iii) | Not knowing where the edge is | Ignore parallax | Any lumen as question does not specify this lumen. | |
| | Or lumen or shape irregular shape or not circular | error. | not openly the famon. | |
| | Or preparation squashed | | | |
| | Or only 1 measurement | | | |
| | Or thickness of lines (stage micrometer) | | eject thickness of scale and | |
| | Or (lumen) between divisions on eyepiece graticule | | lines on eyepiece graticule. | |
| | Or focussing of both scales (NOT specimen) | | | |
| | Or lining up the scales. | | | [1] |

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Compare and contrast specimens Fig 2.1 and 2.4.

2 (b) (i) Organised as a table/venn diagram/ruled boxes connected, correctly headed; comparative statements opposite each other/in one sentence;

| Fig. 2.1 | Fig. 2.4 |
|--|--|
| lumen; | |
| smooth/rounded, | folded/irregular/ lobed; |
| larger/wider or smaller/narrower; Allow either way round | |
| triangular/ rounded circular, | oval AW; |
| present/has, | none/no; |
| nothing/no, | filled/has; |
| | lumen; smooth/rounded, larger/wider or smalle Allow either way roun triangular/ rounded circular, present/has, |

2 MMO collection 1 PDO recording 2 ACE interpretation

| If named headings only e.g. artery/vein then reject | [1] |
|---|---|
| Then 3 for showing comparative statements if correct + lumen + larger difference. | [1] |
| Most pairs of statements are comparative. | [1] |
| Must have at least 1 similarity. Accept hollow/cavity/space IGNORE tubular (in question) any ref. to cells or cilia as not visible. Uses tissue names and lighter/darker and 3-D descriptors e.g. spherical. Allow two drawings correctly headed with correct annotations. Ignore 'no hollow'. | Max 2 for |
| | reject. Then 3 for showing comparative statements if correct + lumen + larger difference. Most pairs of statements are comparative. Must have at least 1 similarity. Accept hollow/cavity/space IGNORE tubular (in question) any ref. to cells or cilia as not visible. Uses tissue names and lighter/darker and 3-D descriptors e.g. spherical. Allow two drawings correctly headed with correct annotations. |

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| Both inv | olved in transport. State one observation that relates to this function. | ACE conclusion | | |
|--|---|--|---|-----|
| 2 (b) (ii) | lumen/space/cavity/are hollow/tubular; | | | [1] |
| Make a labelled drawing of 5 representative cells that are close together. | | 1MMO collection, 3 MMO decisions | | |
| 2 (c) | 1 group of 5 complete lacunae on fig. 2.5; line drawn around any lacuna; shape/relative size/position of 2 nuclei compares well with those in their marked group; label lines to nucleus plus one from: cytoplasm/lacunae/chondrocyte/chondroblast/matrix; | Allow 5 separate circles but if these are joined as one circle, it will only contain five complete lacunae. Ignore part lacunae. Ignore shading. Accept the best two. Accept nucleous. Reject if second 'l'. | Reject if not drawn 5 lacunae. | |
| | | matrix O O O O | Lacuna (aq) nucleus Reject nucleol us Allow nucleous Brid | |
| | Fig. 2.5 | | | [4 |