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## 2856 Blood, Circulation and Gaseous Exchange

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## Question Expected Answers

1
(a)
(i)
E;

D;
2
(ii) F ;

F;
B/D;
(b) (i) (a) muscle / named muscle; liver ;
(ii) made of many glucoses / polysaccharide ; (highly) branched / many free, ends / terminals; easily broken down / hydrolysed, (to release glucose) ; compact ; large amount can fit into a small space / AW ;
AVP ; eg many sites for enzyme attachment reversibility glucoses can be added or taken off 3 max

## Question Expected Answers <br> Marks

2
(a) (i)
fibrinogen;
fibrin ;
allow phonetic spellings
(ii) calcium (ions) $/ \mathrm{Ca}^{2+} / \mathrm{Ca}^{++}$; allow Ca
$\mathbf{R C a}{ }^{+}$/ incorrect ion
(b) $\quad Z$ is similar in shape to normal substrate; $\mathbf{R}$ same acts as a competitive inhibitor ;
(it) fits into active site; goes in / binds ok blocks active site / prevent substrate entering / no ES complex ; reduces rate of reaction / AW ;
AVP ; eg ref. to reversible / irreversible / temporary / permanent correct ref. to non-competitive inhibition

## Question Expected Answers

(a) 1 qualified ref. to named risk factor eg diet high in saturated fat / high salt diet / hypertension ;

2 deposits, under/in, endothelium ; accept artery wall
3 of, LDL / cholesterol ;
4 decreases lumen of artery ;
5 (this) increases blood pressure ;
6 release of blood clotting factors / activation of platelets ;
7 caused by, tears in endothelium / rough surfaces (of endothelium) / turbulent blood flow / damage to artery wall ;
8 (static) clot / thrombus, forms (on endothelium) ;
9 clot dislodged / embolus ;
10 clot, lodges in / AW, coronary artery;
6 max marking points 2-10
11 reduces blood supply to area of, heart muscle / heart tissue ;
12 reduces, oxygen / glucose, delivery to area of heart muscle / heart tissue ; 13 death of heart muscle / heart tissue ;

14 AVP ; eg correct ref. to foam cells calcification of atheroma correct ref. to fibrous tissue correct ref. to atherosclerosis reduces elasticity or artery 8 max

QWC legible text, spelling, punctuation and grammar ; no more than three different spelling errors
(b) open heart surgery / heart-lung bypass machine / ICU care required;
vein from leg; ignore ref. to artery or other blood vessels
attached to aorta;
attached to coronary artery, beyond blockage / AW ;
AVP; eg artery from, chest / arm
Blood vessels commonly used

- left internal thoracic artery (LITA) (previously referred to as left internal mammary artery or LIMA)
- right internal thoracic artery (RITA)
- great saphenous vein from the leg
- radial artery from the forearm


## Question

Expected Answers
Marks

4
(a)
(i) $\quad \mathbf{P}$ surfactant / moisture film;
Q Golgi body ;
R RER;
(ii) 15000 ;;
one mark for
measurement of scale bar $\div 1$
eg $1.5 \div 1 / 15 \div 1 / 15000 \div 1$
2 max
(b)
feature identified thin / flat / large SA;
linked explanation
short diffusion distance / high rate of diffusion ;
2 max
(c)
no cell walls ;
no vacuoles;
no chloroplasts ;
Question Expected Answers ..... Marks
5
(a) (lung) cancer ;
COPD ;
emphysema;
bronchitis;
asthma;
alveolitus;
bronchiolitus ;
pneumonia;
(b) asthma; 1
(c) persistent coughing;
productive cough / coughing up blood ;
fever / chills / night sweats;
appetite loss / weight loss;
AVP; eg flushed cheeks
(d) (i) $\mathrm{FEV}_{1}$;
the maximum rate at which air can be expelled from the lungs / AW ;
the volume of air that can be forced out of the lungs after a maximal inhalation / TV+IRV+ERV / total amount you can move in and out of the lungs in one breath ;
(ii) build up of scar tissue / tubercles ;
loss of elasticity ;
reduced elastic recoil ;
muscular weakness;
ref. to intercostal muscles ;
AVP;
Question Expected AnswersMarks
6
(a) arranged in a bilayer ;
heads pointing out / tails pointing in ;correct ref. to hydrophilic / hydrophobic ;
credit correct marking points from diagrams ..... 2 max(b) $1 \quad$ water potential, less negative / greater, outside the cell than inside ;2 movement of water in (to the cell) ; $\boldsymbol{R}$ incorrect method of movement3 by osmosis;
4 down a water potential gradient ;
5 causing the cell to, swell / burst / lyse ;
concentration of treat as neutral ..... 4 max
(c) (i) (oxygen taken up by) diffusion ; greater, concentration / diffusion, gradient ; ..... 2
(ii) (transported through) intrinsic / transporter / carrier, proteins ; $1^{\text {st }}$ part of the curve as external concentration of glucose goes up rate of uptake increases / AW ; more glucose molecules, more protein carriers occupied ; constant part of the curve all protein carriers working at full capacity ; AVP;

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Question Expected Answers Marks

1 (a) (i) 8 ; ;
$2 / 24 \times 100$;
(ii)

| process | stage |
| :--- | :--- |
| new cellular proteins are synthesised | interphase ; |
| cytoplasm separates into two cells | cytokinesis ; |
| DNA replicates | interphase ; |
| DNA separates to form two nuclei | mitosis ; |

(b) (i) meiosis;
(ii) produces haploid cells;
with half the normal number of chromosomes / $\mathrm{n} / 23$;
to maintain the diploid number / 2n / 46 ;
after fertilisation ;
ref. to genetic variation ;
Question Expected Answers
2 (a) (i) incidence has increased ;
mortality stays the same until 1988 ; A 87-89
mortality decreases slightly after 1988 ; A 87-89
incidence much higher than mortality ;
difference between incidence and mortality has widened / AW ;
pairs of, comparative figures in support ;
ecf for units if used incorrectly a second time
(ii) lifestyle changes qualified, have resulted in an increase in new cases; improved diagnostic techniques detect, more cases / at an earlier stage ; health awareness campaigns effective / more women screened; cancer more likely to be successfully treated if detected at an early stage ; more successful treatments available ;
more women living for longer ;
(b) (i) breast cancer in the family / AW ;
early puberty / late menopause ;
post menopausal ;
fewer / no, children ;
not breast feeding ;
being female;
contraceptive pill ;
HRT;
obesity ;
heavy alcohol intake ;
age;
AVP ; X-ray / gamma radiation of breast / have had breast cancer before
(ii) lumpectomy described; mastectomy described ;
removal of lymph nodes;
2 max
named drug / Tamoxifen ${ }^{\circledR}$;
drugs given intravenously ;
kill, rapidly dividing cells / cancer cells ;

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AVP ;

\section*{Question}

Expected Answers
3 (a)
\begin{tabular}{|l|l|}
\hline \multicolumn{1}{|c|}{ nutrient } & \multicolumn{1}{|c|}{ role in growth of embryo and foetus } \\
\hline carbohydrates & provide energy (for anabolic processes) ; \\
\hline vitamin A & \begin{tabular}{l} 
for production of, visual pigments / named \\
visual pigment / healthy skin / mucous \\
membranes ;
\end{tabular} \\
\hline folic acid & \begin{tabular}{l} 
for, growth / development, of brain / spinal \\
cord / neural tube ;
\end{tabular} \\
\hline amino acids & for production of, proteins / named protein ; \\
\hline
\end{tabular}
(b) ultrasound ;
description of how ultrasound is used ;
crown - rump length ;
biparietal diameter ;
2 max
(c) (alcohol) crosses the placenta / from mother's blood into foetus' blood; foetal alcohol syndrome / FAS, described ;
affects development of nervous system / AW ; \(\boldsymbol{R}\) mental retardation undernourishment / low birth weight ;
smaller than normal head circumference ;
heart defects;
AVP ; eg miscarriage / premature birth
(d) culturing detail described;
add, chemical / colchicine to stop cell dividing;
at metaphase ;
put in dilute salt solution to burst cell and spread chromosomes ;
chromosomes arranged in homologous pairs to form karyotype ;
XXY / described ;
AVP;
[Total: 13]
Question Expected Answers ..... Marks
4 (a) antigen;
specific response ;
(specific) antibodies made ;
correct ref. to, T / B cells ;
(b) in order:
macrophages ;
antigens;
receptors;
mitosis;
clones ;
cytokines;
(c) killer \(T\) cells / \(B\) cells
1 clonal selection / described ;
2 clonal expansion / mitosis / described ;
3 become memory cells;
4 correct ref. to complementary ;
\(B\) cells
5 differentiate;
6 plasma cells ;
7 make antibodies;
8 attach to specific antigen ;
9 action of antibodies described ; 3 max
T cells
10 respond to viruses ;
11 bind to receptors ;
12 on surface of infected cells ;
13 inject cell with toxic chemical / named;
14 kills cell ; 3 max
15 AVP ; eg correct ref. to humoral / cell mediated response
16 AVP ; eg faster secondary response
QWC - clear well organised using 3 specialist terms;
clonal selection, clonal expansion, memory cells, differentiate, plasma cells,, complementary, humoral, cell mediated, hydrogen peroxide, secondary response, primary response
Question Expected Answers
5 (a) (i) for Africa or ora
malnourishment / protein energy malnutrition (PEM) ; weakened immune system ; ref. to HIV ;
antibiotics / drugs / vaccination not readily available ; not enough hospitals / doctors / health clinics ;
don't complete drug treatment ;
don't go to be diagnosed / treated ;
more people with active TB in community / AW ;
more people in crowded living conditions;
AVP ; qualified reference to economic status
(b) required by law / compulsory ;
to be reported to appropriate authority / medical officer for health ;
information required qualified ;
(c) 1 bacteria show (genetic) variation in resistance to antibiotics / AW ;
2 as a result of mutation / described;
3 during DNA replication; \(\boldsymbol{R}\) mitosis
4 when given, antibiotic acts as selection pressure ;
5 bacteria with gene for resistance to antibiotic more likely to survive / AW ; ora
6 resistant bacteria, divide / multiply ; ora
7 gene for resistance passed on to offspring ;
8 give rise to a resistant population of the bacteria ;
9 AVP ; role of plasmids / horizontal transmission described

\section*{2858/01 Case Studies}

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() & \(=\) words which are not essentia \\
\(\overline{\text { ecf }}=\) & (underlining) key words which \\
AW & \(=\) alter carried forward \\
A & \(=\) accept \\
ora & \(=\) or reverse argument
\end{tabular} & \\
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\hline 1 (a) & \multicolumn{2}{|l|}{hydrogen (bond) ;} & 1 \\
\hline \multicolumn{4}{|c|}{\begin{tabular}{l}
double stranded \\
(for) replication / AW ; \\
semi-conservative(ly) ;
\end{tabular}} \\
\hline \multicolumn{4}{|c|}{four bases ref triplet code ; large amounts of information carried / AW ; degenerate code ;} \\
\hline \multicolumn{4}{|c|}{information can be copied, accurately / template ; ref complementary base pairing ;} \\
\hline \multicolumn{4}{|r|}{\begin{tabular}{l}
AVP ;; eg stable due to (large numbers of) hydrogen bonds \\
eg number of hydrogen bonds
\end{tabular}} \\
\hline \multirow[t]{6}{*}{(b)} & \multicolumn{3}{|l|}{\begin{tabular}{l}
1 complementary base pairing, described ; mRNA/DNA or tRNA/mRNA \\
2 (mRNA) carries (complementary) copy of gene/AW ; section of DNA coding for primary sequence
\end{tabular}} \\
\hline & \multicolumn{3}{|l|}{transcription} \\
\hline & 3 mRN & A, nucleotides (pair up) ; & \\
\hline & 4 (mov & es to) to ribosome ; & \\
\hline & 5 ribos & me (made of) RNA ; & \\
\hline & 6 (ribo & ome is) framework for mRNA, (and) two & \\
\hline \multicolumn{4}{|c|}{translation} \\
\hline \multicolumn{4}{|c|}{7 (tRNA) brings amino acid to ribosome ;} \\
\hline \multicolumn{4}{|c|}{8 ref specificity of tRNA molecules / AW ;} \\
\hline \multicolumn{4}{|c|}{9 ref anticodon;} \\
\hline \multicolumn{4}{|c|}{10 ref formation of, peptide bond ;} \\
\hline \multicolumn{4}{|c|}{11 ref stop/start/initiation / termination codon ;} \\
\hline \multicolumn{4}{|c|}{12 AVP ; eg polyribosomes / AW} \\
\hline & 13 AVP & eg (mRNA) leaves nucleus / AW & 7 max \\
\hline
\end{tabular}
(c) (i) base/nucleotide, substitution ;
(produces) different triplet / codon ;
different amino acid ;
base/nucleotide, deletion ;
base/nucleotide, addition ;
ref frameshift mutations / described ;
AVP;
3 max
(ii) ref (mutation in) proto-oncogenes;
ref (mutation in) repressor genes ;
ref oncogenes;
ref uncontrolled, cell division ;
AVP ; eg (UV leads to) formation of tumours \(\mathbf{3}\) max
(d) (i) (overall) rise ;
figures to support ; 2x and 2 y refs with units
AVP ; eg reference to any rise or fall within the time period
2 max
(ii) accept reverse argument throughout
(men) less likely to use sun creams / AW ;
(men) more likely to work outdoors / AW ;
AVP; eg women wear UV protection make-up
1 max
(iii) allows comparisons (between different population sizes) ;
number (of cases) smaller ;
easier to plot ;
Question Expected Answers
2 (a) active transport ;
ATP;
kinetic ;
diffusion;
higher / greater / more ;
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(b) (i) sudden onset / AW ;
(ii) high(er) breathing rate / AW ;
shallow breathing rate / AW ;
AVP ; eg nasal flaring
(iv) choking / AW;
cardiac arrest ;
brain damage ;
myocardial infarction;
AVP ; eg drowning
AVP; eg sleep apnoea
(c) accept ORA throughout
not red blood cells ;
not, A/B/Rhesus, antigen ;
(recipients plasma) antibody not always present ;
(leucocyte agglutination involves) recipients cells;
AVP; eg ref isoantibody, agglutinogen, agglutiniogen
(d) (i) $R$ syphilis, leukaemia, CMV
HIV / AIDS;
Hepatitis;
AVP;
(ii) who is allowed access to results / AW ;
possibility of discrimination, by named group ;
false positives;
AVP ; eg encourage people to change ID
(platelets) collect / AW, at wound site ;
become sticky / activated ;
(form a) platelet plug ;
(platelets disintegrate) release of, clotting factor ;
ref thromboplastinogenase;
ref platelet factor 3 ;
thromboplastin, formed / AW ;
AVP; eg role of thromboplastin / ref clotting cascade / role of calcium ions / role of ADP / thromboxane
(f) (i) cells burst ; allow ref to burst cells in (i) or (ii)
blood contains cells / AW ; ORA
(due to) ice crystals form ;
low temperature reduces / AW, metabolic / AW activity ;
(ii) (mannitol) lowers water potential ;
(water potential ) same as (cell) cytoplasm ; A isotonic ref osmosis;
mannitol, not metabolised / AW ;
(iii) ref (aerobic) respiration ;
ref diffusion ;
(of) oxygen / carbon dioxide ;
AVP ; eg metabolically active

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## Question

Expected Answers
Marks
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A phonetic spelling
aqueous humour ;
lens;
3 max
(ii) holds lens in position / changes shape of lens / AW ; $\quad \mathbf{R}$ contracts
carries action potentials / (nerve) impulses, to brain; $\quad \mathbf{R}$ images / information
focus point / has maximum visual acuity / has highest receptor cell density / correct ref. to colour vision ;
protects (the cornea) ;
(b) (i) sterile gloves / sterile dressings used;
remove / cut, clothing to expose wound ;
check for foreign object in wound ; $\quad \mathbf{R}$ remove object
apply pressure to wound ;
detail of pressure eg pressure at edges of wound if object present ;
raise leg above heart level;
AVP ; eg calm to lower heart rate
(ii) pupil response test
dark room ;
light shone into the eyes (one then the other);
reflex action ;
both pupils should, constrict / react, equally ;
(unequal constriction) indicative of, drug use / damage to optic nerve / brain / AW ;
correct ref. to RAPD ;
blink reflex test
moving object towards eye / AW ;
eyes should, blink / close rapidly ;
(because) one of last reflexes lost as unconsciousness deepens / AW ;
if reflex absent, patient in a coma / severe brain damage / AW ;
3 max
5 max

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(c) Snellen chart / described; A diagram one eye covered at a time ; viewed at 6 m (20 feet) ; read, from top down / largest to smallest / smallest they can see ; explanation of \(20 / 20\) vision ; those who cannot read may view pictures ; (Snellen chart) tests distance vision ;
near vision tested with reading card ;
asked to read (blocks of) text of different, font / letter, sizes ; read at approx 30cm distance from eyes ;
AVP ; eg use of mirrors to give \(6 m\) distance
Question Expected Answers
2 (a) matrix of mitochondria ;
(b) (i) active site has specific shape ; only substrate, fits ; complementary shapes ; \(\boldsymbol{R}\) same correct ref. to lock and key ; enzyme-substrate complex / ESC ; breaking / formation, of bonds in substrate ; induced fit / described ;
lowers activation energy ;
AVP ; eg forms H bonds
Accept correctly annotated diagram(s) 3 max
(ii) decarboxylase ; A dehydrogenase 1
(c) cycle can keep going / AW ;
oxaloacetate / starting compound, regenerated / not used up ; continuous supply of, electrons / reduced coenzyme ; for, electron transfer chain / ETC / oxidative phosphorylation ; continuous supply of ATP made ;
\(\boldsymbol{R}\) - more ATP
AVP ; eg prevents end-product inhibition 3 max
[Total: 8]
Question Expected Answers Marks
3 (a) hydrolysed (into glucose);
of glycosidic bonds ;(reaction catalysed) by enzymes ;AVP ; eg detail of bonds 1,4-/ 1,62 max
(b) (i) for 'strenuous cycling + rest' line on graphif no units do not award first fig marking point in candidate's answer
rapid increase ;
for 6 minutes / to peak of \(11 \mathrm{mmol} \mathrm{dm}^{-3}\);
decrease, gradually / immediately / steadily / slow / slower ;
for 34 minutes / to (approx) \(3 \mathrm{mmol} \mathrm{dm}{ }^{-3}\);
at end of resting period blood lactate still higher than initial value ;
other use of figs ; eg comparative time ref.
2 max for figs.
A 'dramatic' increase


\[
\text { A } 3.0-3.5
\]
(ii) 1 respiration / breathing rate higher than when resting ;
2 higher intake of oxygen ;
3 (more) respiration can be aerobic / ora ;
4 (lactate) respired by, muscles / liver ; A oxidised / broken down R used
5 heart rate / blood flow / delivery of lactate, maintained ;
6 muscles 'squeeze' veins / vasodilation;
7 prevents blood pooling in muscles / removes lactate from muscles;
8 AVP ; detail of lactate breakdown (lactate \(\rightarrow\) pyruvate)
2 max
(c) steroids
    1 stimulate anabolic reactions ;
    2 increase protein synthesis (in cells) ;
    3 increased aggression ;
    4 so athletes able to train, longer / harder ;
    5 increases competitiveness;
    6 increases muscle, size / strength ;
    7 decreases body fat;
    8 decreases body's own production of hormones;
    9 decreases immune system's (ability to respond to pathogens) / AW ;
    10 damage liver;
    11 named example of substance ; eg nandrolone,
                            testosterone, epitestosterone
    12 synthesised from steroids by body ;
    13 test not necessarily a reliable indicator ;
        (Rh)EPO
        made by, genetically engineered / recombinant bacteria;
        15 stimulates erythrocyte production ;
        A RBC / haemoglobin
        increases oxygen carrying capacity of blood ;
        increases aerobic performance;
        increases blood viscosity / haematocrit / AW ;
        may reduce supply of oxygen to parts of body ;
        increased risk of blood clot / pulmonary embolism / heart attack / stroke ;
                        max 5 on each section
        general
        21 unfair competitive advantage / brings sport into disrepute / illegal
    22 AVP ; eg male characteristics in females / infertility
    23 AVP;
        QWC - clear and well organised using specialist terms, any three from;
        anabolic, nandrolone, testosterone, epitestosterone, protein synthesis,
        immune, recombinant / RhEPO, genetically engineered, viscosity, embolism,
        aerobic, erythrocyte, haematocrit

QWC - clear and well organised using specialist terms, any three from;
anabolic, nandrolone, testosterone, epitestosterone, protein synthesis, immune, recombinant / RhEPO, genetically engineered, viscosity, embolism, aerobic, erythrocyte, haematocrit
Question Expected Answers Marks

4 (a) (i) meiosis (II) not complete / AW ;
(ii) 167 ;; allow 156-178
one mark for:
correct answers but wrong degree of accuracy
OR
measurement of scale bar \(\div 90\)
(b) all correct ; ;
only credit correctly spelt responses
mark as pairs for each mark (ie if both 'mitosis' labels correct , award 1 mark)
(c) (i) condom not put on, early enough / correctly / AW ; R not used properly holes / tears (in condom) / AW ;
oil-based lubricants;
allow sperm through ;
re-using condoms, qualified ;
condoms used are old / have been incorrectly stored ;
AVP; eg use of non-kitemarked condoms
comparative use of figs. ;
(ii) viable sperm may remain (within vas deferentia post-vasectomy) ;
(these sperm) may still fertilise egg during subsequent intercourse / AW ; unlikely that any secondary oocyte present in oviduct post tubal ligation / AW; AVP ; eg correct ref to intercourse too soon after vasectomy
(iii) zero;
(d) (antisperm antibodies) attach to sperm antigens (on surface of sperm) ; causing sperm to be destroyed / AW ;
detail of antibody action eg sperm clump together / decreased motility ;
AVP ; eg interfere with sperm's ability to fertilise secondary oocyte eg (antisperm) antibodies produced by B lymphocytes
Question Expected Answers Marks
P chloroplast ;
Q cell wall / middle lamellae ;
R nuclear membrane;
A named part of chloroplast
\(\qquad\)
(b) (i) electrons leave chlorophyll molecules;
pass to electron acceptor ;
then passes down chain of electron carriers ;
held in membranes;
energy released as electrons pass down chain ;
use to phosphorylate ADP / AW ;
AVP; eg correctly named membranes thylakoids / lamellae
3 max
(ii) diffusion;
movement from area of high(er) concentration to area of low(er) concentration; down concentration gradient ; \(\quad \mathbf{R}\) across / along
AVP ; correct ref to pathway to stomata energy not required / passive
(iii) phospholipids for, structural unit / hydrophobic barrier / diffusion of small molecules; cholesterol for, mechanical stability / regulate fluidity / AW ; glycolipids for, cell recognition / receptors ;
AVP; eg unsaturated fatty acids increase fluidity
1 max if lipid type not specified
2 max
(c) general
G1 natural disasters / named, leading to loss of life on large scale ;
G2 man-made disasters / named, leading to loss of life on large scale;
G3 immigration / emigration qualified ;
food availability
F0 food availability;
F1 increase in technology; eg GM crops / artifical fertilisers
F2 drought / flooding / poor climate leading to unstable food supply ;
healthcare
M1 vaccinations for infectious diseases; eg small pox
M2 better, healthcare / education / drugs / ora;
M3 people living longer;
M4 advances in medical technology ; eg scans / x-rays / screening
M5 purification of water / sewage treatment / sanitary conditions;
3 max for healthcare
birth rate
B0 birth rate / death rate;
B1 people choosing to have more / less children; eg use of contraceptives
B2 lower fertility rates in some parts of world ;
B3 correct ref. to birth rate vs. death rate ;
A1 AVP; further detail
A2 AVP; \(\quad\) QWC - legible text with accurate spelling, punctuation and grammar;
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Question Expected Answers Marks
6 (a) (i) A-delta;
(ii) myelinated / insulated (axons); Schwann cells / nodes of Ranvier ; correct ref. to saltatory conduction / AW ; compared to progress of impulse along unmyelinated axon ; correct ref. to diameter of neurons ;
AVP ; eg up to 50 times faster
(b) reflex, action / arc / AW ;
automatic response / innate ;
does not involve conscious thought / brain ;
correct ref to pathway involving, sensory and motor neurone / 3 neurones ;
via spinal cord ;
impulse to effector / muscle ;
aims to minimise damage / AW ;
impulses for pain to brain, take longer / have longer pathway ;
(c) (i) lack of blood to area of brain (beyond the clot) ;
will not receive, oxygen / named nutrient (eg glucose);
respiration cannot occur ; \(\quad \boldsymbol{R}\) less
no ATP production; \(\boldsymbol{R}\) less
AVP;
2 max
(ii) decreases / lowers, water potential of blood (plasma) /
water potential becomes more negative ;
water moves into blood, from tissues / cells;
by osmosis ;
increases blood volume;
increases blood pressure ;
bursts walls of (fragile) capillaries / AW ;
A hypertension / high blood pressure \(\mathbf{R}\) arteries
leading to bleed ;
AVP ; eg roughens walls of arterioles, increased risk of atheroma formation,
(iii) being male;
high blood cholesterol ;
diet high in saturated fat ;
smoking;
traumatic brain injury / surgery;
aneurysm ;
ageing;
genetics, qualified ; eg family history
immobility ;

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\section*{ADVICE TO EXAMINERS ON THE ANNOTATION OF SCRIPTS}

1 Please ensure that you use the final version of the Mark Scheme.
You are advised to destroy all draft versions.
2 Please mark all post-standardisation scripts in red ink. A tick \((\checkmark)\) should be used for each answer judged worthy of a mark. Ticks should be placed as close as possible to the point in the answer where the mark has been awarded. The number of ticks should be the same as the number of marks awarded. If two (or more) responses are required for one mark, use only one tick. Half marks ( \(1 / 2\) ) should never be used.

3 The following annotations may be used when marking. No comments should be written on scripts unless they relate directly to the mark scheme. Remember that scripts may be returned to Centres.
\(x \quad=\) incorrect response (errors may also be underlined)
^ = omission mark
bod = benefit of the doubt (where professional judgement has been used)
ecf = error carried forward (in consequential marking)
con \(\quad=\) contradiction (in cases where candidates contradict themselves in the same response)
sf \(\quad=\) error in the number of significant figures
4 The marks awarded for each part question should be indicated in the margin provided on the right hand side of the page. The mark total for each question should be ringed the the end of the question, on the right hand side. These totals should be added up to give the final total on the front of the paper.

5 In cases where candidates are required to give a specific number of answers, (eg 'give three reasons'), mark the first answer(s) given up to the total number required. Examiners will be expected to use their professional judgment in marking answers that contain more than the number required. Advice about specific cases will be given at the standardisation meeting.

6 Correct answers to calculations should gain full credit even if no working is shown, unless otherwise indicated in the mark scheme. (An instruction on the paper to 'Show your working' is to help candidates, who may then gain partial credit even if their final answer is not correct.)

7 Strike through all blank spaces and/or pages in order to give a clear indication that the whole of the script has been considered.

8 An element of professional judgement is required in the marking of any written paper, and candidates may not use the exact words that appear in the mark scheme. If the science is correct and answers the question, then the mark(s) should normally be credited. If you are in doubt about the validity of any answer, contact your Team Leader/Principal Examiner for guidance.

Question Expected Answers
2 (a) (i) random / spontaneous change ;
in the, genetic material / DNA / chromosomes ;
AVP ; eg distinction between chromosomal and gene mutation detail
(ii) the skin cell might slough off / AW ;
the mutation only affects that individual ;
the primary oocyte develops into the gamete / AW ;
the mutation is passed on ;
it may affect every cell (in offspring) ;
AVP ; eg easier to, detect / treat
(b) (i) the male gamete / sperm only passes on the nucleus;
the male gamete / sperm does not pass on mitochondria / AW ;
only the female gamete / oocyte passes on, organelles / cytoplasm / ora;
Regg / ovum
(ii) matrilineal ; \(\quad \mathbf{R}\) passed on by the mother only (in stem) no, recombination / crossing over, of genetic material from father / AW ; therefore indicates, similarities / evolutionary origin / AW ;
AVP; eg smaller number of bases / genes
(c) there are many mitochondria (per cell) ;
effect is diluted / AW ;
AVP; eg fewer gene loci
nuclear genes / AW, might mask the effect
(d) (i)
\begin{tabular}{|c|c|}
\hline term & meaning \\
\hline acute & \begin{tabular}{l}
random / spontaneous (mutation) ; \\
sudden onset ; \\
not degenerative ; \\
R short term
\end{tabular} \\
\hline prevalence & the number of people with the disease (at a given time) ; per 100000 (of population); \\
\hline point mutation & involves only one base (pair in a DNA molecule); substitution / deletion / insertion; affects only one gene ; \\
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\end{tabular}

\section*{Question 2 Expected Answers}
(ii) this condition could be passed to you by your mother ; detail on how inherited / pedigree analysis / AW ;
detail on symptoms /effect on family ;
all your children are at risk; whether you have symptoms or not ;
if the mutation is passed on it may not develop ; (because) the normal mitochondria may mask the effect ; it is not possible to calculate probability ;
if maternal relatives have LHON then your children are more at risk ; ref to pre-natal diagnosis / amniocentesis / CVS ; AVP ; eg whether to have children / abortion counsellor will not make decisions for her / ora
(e) relevant detail on nerve impulse conduction eg \(\mathrm{Na}^{+} / \mathrm{K}^{+}\)transport no ATP / energy;
for active transport ;
to maintain resting potential ;
ref, link reaction / Krebs cycle / TCA cycle / oxidative phosphorylation, not working ;
R glycolysis
ref to named respiratory enzyme ;
AVP ; eg effect on, protein synthesis / enzyme structure
Question Expected Answers
3 (a) (i) (dependency ratio) rises until 2040; A 2035 and stabilises / plateaus; comparative figures in support ;
(ii) an improvement in, medical care / health ; life expectancy is increasing ;
a decrease in the birth rate (from 1990s) / AW ;
AVP ; eg 'baby boomers' / AW
(b) T1 correct ref to data (both columns) ;
T2 (ageing population) already a problem in 2005 ;
advantages
A1 elderly can provide child care;
A2 economic support / housing support ;
A3 elderly fill jobs younger people don't want / example ;
A4 more flexible working practices ;
A5 frequently do voluntary work / example;
A6 have valuable experience of life / AW ;
A7 have valuable skills / AW;
A8 time to listen and help / mentoring;
A9 primary historical source;
A10 AVP ; eg boost economy in, leisure services / holidays / other named example 4 max
disadvantages

D1
D2
D3 cost to society of (increase in) pensions ;
D4 elderly need to work for longer / ref to ageism ;
D5 increase in chronic long term diseases (needing treatment) / AW ;
D6 (increased) funding needed for, NHS / medical facilities / new drugs;
D7 extra provision of aids eg mobility aids / tap attachments etc ;
D8 pressure on, family / carers / provision of sheltered accommodation;
D9 increased taxation to cover costs;
D10 community / leisure facilities for elderly ;
D11 need, cure / research into diseases / disabilities, associated with ageing ;
AVP ; eg (increased) provision for elderly to contribute to society / named example / policing of crime against vulnerable elderly \(\quad 4\) max \(\quad 7\) max

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\section*{Question 3 Expected Answers \\ cont'd}
(c) (i) ref to immunodeficiency neutral.
poor nutrition / AW ;
protein needed to make B / T cells / antibodies ;
poor gas exchange / AW ;
energy needed to make B / T lymphocytes / antibodies ;
long term activity of immune system may decrease / AW ;
hypothermia / ref to temperature control ; too cold for enzyme action, qualified ;

AVP;
2 max
(ii) avoid contact with infected people; avoid crowded places;
take up vaccine eg flu / pneumonia;
keep warm ;
AVP ; ref to protein / antioxidants in diet


\section*{Question 4 Expected Answers \\ Marks cont'd}
(ii) (anterior pituitary) produces growth hormone ; cells would multiply uncontrollably ; \(\quad \mathbf{R}\) rapid by mitosis ; ref to oncogenes ; so more cells to produce hormone / faster / higher, production of GH ; AVP ; detail

3 max
(iii) social problem / described;
harmful effects of height on body / named ;
pressure on, other organs / named organs / brain ;
tumour may become malignant / reduces risk of becoming malignant / forms secondaries;
by metastasis;
AVP ; detail
(iv) treatment
chemotherapy / radiation therapy / immunotherapy / complementary and alternative therapy (CAT) ;
reason
brain surgery may result in brain damage / suitable reason described ;
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AVP;;
Question Expected Answers
structure
1 lie embedded in, fat / muscle ;
2 supplied with blood, by the renal artery ;
3 drained, by renal vein ;
4 functional unit / AW, is the, nephron / kidney tubule ;
5
6
7 (medulla) made up of pyramids ;
8 correct ref to pelvis ;
9 opens into ureter ;
10 the ureter connects the kidney to the bladder / AW ;
11 AVP ; eg ref to other named structure in nephron
eg outer cortex contains most glomeruli ..... 5 max
function
12 excretion;
13 removes waste products of metabolism ;
14 nitrogenous waste / urea ;
15 in urine ;
16 urea is toxic / AW ;
17 removes excess ions / named ions ; $\mathbf{R}$ sodium alone
18 selective reabsorption;
19 some ions / some water / all glucose ;
20 osmoregulation ;
21 maintains the concentration of, body fluids / blood / qualified ;
22 regulates (blood) $\mathrm{pH} /\left[\mathrm{H}^{+}\right]$;
23 homeostasis;
24 AVP ; eg ref to formation of $\mathrm{Na}^{+}$gradient in medulla 5 max 8 maxQWC - clear, well organised using specialist terms;1At least 4 of the terms shown in bold: renal artery, renal vein, cortex, medulla,ureter, nephron, glomeruli(us), pyramids, pelvis, (waste products of)metabolism, nitrogenous waste / urea, selective reabsorption, osmoregulation,homeostasis, Bowman's capsule
(b) (i) carcinogens in cigarette smoke / named example ; ..... R tarenter blood stream and circulate to kidney tissue / AW ;mutates proto-oncogenes into oncogenes ;AVP; eg ref to uncontrolled mitosisref to tumour suppressor genes 2 max
Question 5 Expected Answers
(ii) metastasis occurs;
(cancerous cells) spread to other parts of the body ;
(cancerous cells) divide uncontrollably ;
by mitosis ;
cells travel in, blood / lymph (vessels) ;
secondary tumours more difficult to treat ;
3 max
(iii) blood in the urine ;
abnormal colour of urine ;
pain qualified;
AVP ; eg nausea, weight loss
eg detection of odour by dogs 1 max
(iv) biopsy;
microscopic analysis of cells / AW ;
cells have large nuclear cytoplasmic ratio / AW ;
undifferentiated;
AVP ; ultrasound scan / CAT scan / MRI scan / intravenous pyelogram / renal arteriography
Question Expected Answers
(i) to increase Mary's awareness of her condition / AW ; to monitor the effect of diet (changes) ; untreated / the long term effects of, diabetes could be very serious / AW ;
one of the following long term effects ;
CHD, cardiovascular disease / described blindness peripheral neuropathy (risk of) gangrene the results could help Mary to control her blood glucose with diet ;
(ii) (in morning) should get a fasting blood glucose concentration / described / eliminates increase because of food eaten ;
establishes base line / AW ;
if this is high there is a real problem ;
AVP ;
(b) avoid burgers / chips / fizzy drinks ;
avoid sugar / refined CHO;
eat fibre / whole grain foods;
slow release / complex, CHO ; A starch
eat foods with low GI / glycaemic index / avoid foods with high GI ;
avoid saturated fat;
AVP ; eg eat a balanced diet
(c) (i) $\frac{21.5-15}{15} \times 100$;
$=40$ (\%) ; A 43.3 (\%)
correct method wrong answer ; correct answer only ; ;
(ii) as diabetes increases so does gross proteinuria / AW ;
affects approximately $1 / 3$ of diabetics / incidence of gross proteinuria is less;
at similar rate ;
looks like a causal effect / AW ;
comparative figs in support ;
AVP ;
(d) (i) allows all soluble substances to pass through ;
named example ;
selective membrane / barrier ;
allows substances less than 68000 relative molecular mass, through / ora;
A within range 65000-69000
detail on named substance prevented from passing through;
AVP ; eg accurate ref to osmotic pressure / accurate ref to ultrafiltration
$\mathbf{R}$ refs to selective absorption

## Question 6 Expected Answers <br> cont'd

(ii) lets, large molecules / proteins, through ; loses, named valuable materials / red blood cells, from the blood ; glomerular filtration stops /decreases / less efficient; blood rushes through the kidney too fast to be filtered properly / AW ; AVP; eg may affect reabsorption
renal failure 2 max
Question Expected Answers ..... Marks
7 (a) inheritedgenetic / caused by gene (mutation) ;passed on from parent(s) ;
AVP ; eg ref to alleles ..... 2 max
acquireddeveloped during lifetime;stimulated by environmental factor / AW ;eg HIV / immunosuppressive drugs etc ;
2 max
3 max
(b) (i) B lymphocytes develop into plasma cells ;
by mitosis;
when an antigen is present / AW ; ..... 2 max
(ii) bacteria / virus / protoctist ; ..... 1(iii) antibodies are passed from the mother / AW ;natural / passive, immunity ;(antibodies) cross the placenta;(antibodies) present in breast milk ;AVP; eg ref to how long antibodies lastref to development of child's immune system
2 max
(c) (i) $X^{n}$; ..... 1
(ii) if diagram given A points where possible(recessive allele) carried by, female / mother ;passed on by gamete with mutant X / AW ;always expressed in male ;
as only one X ;
never passed by male to sons ;always passed by male to daughters ;AVP ; eg detail3 max
(iii) bone marrow transplant ;
vaccination to give, passive immunity / antibodies ;
gene therapy;
AVP ; eg blood transfusion qualified ..... 2 max
(d) quality of life of child ;whether to have children ;
whether to tell relatives ;ref to designer babies / use of IVF ;ref to gene therapy;individuals may not wish to be screened ;treatment / cure may not be available ;AVP ; ; eg genetic diseases become rare, funding for research may be less4 max

## Grade Thresholds

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Unit Threshold Marks

| Unit |  | Maximum <br> Mark | a | b | c | $\mathbf{d}$ | $\mathbf{e}$ | $\mathbf{u}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\mathbf{2 8 5 6}$ | Raw | 60 | 45 | 39 | 33 | 27 | 22 | 0 |
|  | UMS | 90 | 72 | 63 | 54 | 45 | 36 | 0 |
| $\mathbf{2 8 5 7}$ | Raw | 60 | 50 | 44 | 38 | 32 | 26 | 0 |
|  | UMS | 90 | 72 | 63 | 54 | 45 | 36 | 0 |
| $\mathbf{2 8 5 8 / B}$ | Raw | 120 | 95 | 83 | 72 | 61 | 50 | 0 |
|  | UMS | 120 | 96 | 84 | 72 | 60 | 48 | 0 |
| $\mathbf{2 8 6 6}$ | Raw | 90 | 65 | 57 | 49 | 41 | 33 | 0 |
|  | UMS | 90 | 72 | 63 | 54 | 45 | 36 | 0 |
| $\mathbf{2 8 6 7}$ | Raw | 120 | 87 | 77 | 67 | 57 | 47 | 0 |
|  | UMS | 120 | 96 | 84 | 72 | 60 | 48 | 0 |

## Specification Aggregation Results

Overall threshold marks in UMS (ie after conversion of raw marks to uniform marks)

|  | Maximum <br> Mark | A | B | C | D | E | U |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\mathbf{3 8 8 6}$ | 300 | 240 | 210 | 180 | 150 | 120 | 0 |
| $\mathbf{7 8 8 6}$ | 600 | 480 | 420 | 360 | 300 | 240 | 0 |

The cumulative percentage of candidates awarded each grade was as follows:

|  | A | B | C | D | E | $\mathbf{U}$ | Total Number of <br> Candidates |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\mathbf{3 8 8 6}$ | 1.6 | 11.1 | 23.8 | 57.1 | 90.5 | 100.0 | 65 |
| $\mathbf{7 8 8 6}$ | 0.0 | 0.0 | 28.6 | 42.9 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 7 |

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