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# Level 3 Certificate/Extended Certificate APPLIED SCIENCE

## Unit 3 Science in the Modern World

Friday 25 January 2019

Afternoon

Time allowed: 1 hour 30 minutes

### Materials

For this paper you must have:

- a clean copy of pre-release **Sources A, B, C and D**
- a calculator.

### Instructions

- Use black ink or black ball-point pen.
- Answer **all** questions.
- You must answer the questions in the spaces provided. Do **not** write outside the box around each page or on blank pages.
- If you need extra space for your answer(s), use the lined pages at the end of this book. Write the question number against your answer(s).
- Do all rough work in this book. Cross through any work you do not want to be marked.

### Information

- You will be provided with copies of pre-release **Sources A, B, C and D**.
- There are two sections in this paper – **Section A** and **Section B**.
- You should answer all questions in each section.
- You should spend approximately 1 hour on **Section A** and 30 minutes on **Section B**.
- The marks for questions are in brackets.
- The total marks for this paper is 60.

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### Advice

Read each question carefully.



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**Section A**

This section is based on **Sources A, B, C** and **D**.

Answer **all** questions in this section.

0 1

**Source A** suggests that the development of a system called CRISPR-Cas9 has ‘sparked a lot of concern about the creation of designer babies’.

0 1 . 1

**Source A** describes the CRISPR-Cas9 system as a ‘copy and paste’ tool for DNA.

Explain why the CRISPR-Cas9 system is described as a ‘copy and paste’ tool for DNA.

**[2 marks]**


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0 1 . 2

One concern is that the human embryos used in the research could be implanted into a woman.

**Source A** reassures people that this will not be allowed to happen.

Which of the statements below does **Source A** use to reassure people that these embryos will not be implanted into a woman?

Tick (✓) **one** box.

**[1 mark]**

Embryos from IVF treatments will be used.

Embryos must be destroyed within 14 days.

Only one group of scientists has permission for this research.

Research ethics approval is required.

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0 2

**Source A** suggests that the development of healthy human embryos is still an area that is poorly understood by scientists.

Calculate the percentage of **implanted eggs** that continue to develop in the womb beyond 3 months.

Use information from **Source A**.

[2 marks]

Percentage = \_\_\_\_\_

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0 3

**Source B** describes a procedure called germline genetic engineering used by a US scientist called Shoukhrat Mitalipov.

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How is germline genetic engineering described in **Source B**?

[2 marks]

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How might germline genetic engineering benefit families?

[1 mark]

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According to **Source B**, Mitalipov's study was similar to other studies by scientists such as Kathy Niakan. However, in many ways Mitalipov's study was 'a more meaningful use of this technology'.

0 4 . 1

Mitalipov and Niakan are both scientists who study genes.

Give the name for the type of scientist who studies genes.

[1 mark]

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0 4 . 2

Give **two** ways that Mitalipov's study was similar to Niakan's study.

Use information from **Source B**.

[2 marks]

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0 4 . 3

Describe **one** way that Mitalipov's study was different from Niakan's study.

Use information from **Source B**.

[1 mark]

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Suggest why the author of **Source B** made reference to cosmetic surgery in their argument.

[3 marks]

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**Source B** describes 'mosaicism' as a problem when you use germline genetic engineering.

Use **Source B** to answer the following questions.

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What is mosaicism?

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When does mosaicism occur?

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How did Mitalipov reduce mosaicism in his study?

[1 mark]

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**Source C** is an article from *National Geographic* magazine. **Source C** has **not** been peer reviewed.

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Describe the process of peer review.

**[3 marks]**

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0 7 . 2

Suggest **one** reason why **Source C** would **not** be required to undergo the process of peer review.

**[1 mark]**

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0 7 . 3

Suggest **one** reason why *National Geographic* magazine might want to include the opinions of two different authors.

**[1 mark]**

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**Source C** discusses the future of gene editing.

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**Source C** includes data on children born each year with genetic defects.Calculate the **total** number of children born worldwide per year to the **nearest million**.Use data from **Source C**.**[2 marks]**

Total number of children born worldwide = \_\_\_\_\_ million

0 8 . 2

Gene editing is one method that parents could use to avoid transmitting an inherited disease. One of the authors in **Source C** discussed **two** other methods.Give the **two** other methods that could be used.**[2 marks]**

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0 8 . 3

According to **Source C**, there are social and political questions to answer before allowing gene editing in human embryos.

An example of a political question is 'How will legislation distinguish between gene editing for medical reasons or for enhancement?'

Give **one** example of a social question, according to **Source C**.**[1 mark]**

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0 8 . 4

Suggest an ethical issue that could result from gene editing in human embryos.

**[1 mark]**

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The author of **Source D** states that gene editing is ‘about hope for people like me’.

Explain what the author means by this.

**[3 marks]**

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**Section B**

Answer **all** questions in this section.

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**Figure 1** shows information about inherited diseases.

**Figure 1**

- Inherited diseases are caused by mutations in the DNA in our chromosomes.
- Our sex is determined by one pair of chromosomes called the sex chromosomes. Individuals having two X chromosomes (XX) are female and individuals having one X chromosome and one Y chromosome (XY) are male.
- Some inherited diseases are apparent at birth while others are diagnosed at different stages throughout childhood, and sometimes in adulthood.
- It is estimated that 1 in 25 children born is affected by an inherited disease.
- Approximately 30 000 children are diagnosed with an inherited disease in the UK each year.
- Fragile X syndrome is a genetic disorder, with few distinguishing features, that affects a person's mental development such as their ability to learn.
- Fragile X syndrome is caused by a mutation on the X chromosome; females must have a mutation on both X chromosomes to have Fragile X syndrome.

**Table 1** shows data about inherited diseases in the UK.

**Table 1**

Name of inherited disease	Proportion of births	Estimated number of people	Average life expectancy/years
Down's syndrome	1 in 1000	60 000	60
Cystic fibrosis	1 in 2500	10 800	41
Sickle cell anaemia	1 in 2000	15 000	50
Duchenne muscular dystrophy	1 in 3500	2500	27
Fragile X syndrome	1 in 4000 males 1 in 8000 females	Unknown	Not affected

Use information from **Figure 1** and **Table 1** to answer Question 11.



**1 1 . 1** Suggest why some diseases are called inherited diseases.

**[2 marks]**

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**1 1 . 2** Use the data in **Figure 1** to estimate the total number of births in the UK each year.

**[2 marks]**

Estimated total number of births in the UK each year = \_\_\_\_\_

**1 1 . 3** The actual recorded number of births in the UK will be lower than your estimated value in Question **11.2**.

Suggest **one** reason why.

**[1 mark]**

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**1 1 . 4** A disease is classified as 'rare' if there are fewer than 5 in 10 000 of the population with the disease.

Identify **one** disease from **Table 1** which is a rare disease and **one** disease that is **not** a rare disease.

**[2 marks]**

Rare disease \_\_\_\_\_

Not a rare disease \_\_\_\_\_

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Give **two** reasons why the estimated number of individuals in the UK with Down's syndrome and Duchenne muscular dystrophy are different.

Use information from **Table 1**.

[2 marks]

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Suggest **two** reasons why the total number of people affected by Fragile X syndrome might be unknown.

[2 marks]

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Explain the difference in the inheritance of Fragile X syndrome in males and females.

Use information from **Figure 1** and **Table 1**.

[4 marks]

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Suggest how a doctor could diagnose an individual with Fragile X syndrome.

**[1 mark]**

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Many different scientists study inherited diseases.

Suggest **one** role for each of the following scientists when they study inherited diseases.

**[3 marks]**

Research scientist \_\_\_\_\_

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Biomedical scientist \_\_\_\_\_

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Pharmacologist \_\_\_\_\_

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