Biological Molecules

Mark Scheme 3

Level	IGCSE
Subject	Biology
Exam Board	CIE
Topic	Biological Molecules
Paper Type	(Extended) Theory Paper
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Time Allowed: 44 minutes

Score: /36

Percentage: /100

1 (a)	carbon; hydrogen; oxygen; nitrogen; sulfur; [4 max]	R CHONS	
(b)	 N / nitrogen, fixation; bacteria / Rhizobium; R 'nodules are bacteria' convert, nitrogen / N₂ / AW, into, ammonia / NH₃ / ammonium / NH₄⁺ / amino acid(s); plants use (fixed) nitrogen to make, amino acids / proteins / AW; [3 max] 	N-fixing bacteria = 2 mar	
(c)	1 (dead plants) eaten by, animals / detritivores / scavengers; 2 e.g. earthworms / termites / AW; 3 ref. their faeces / increase in surface area; 4 decay / decomposition; A decomposers 5 by, bacteria / fungi / saprophytes / saprotrophs; 6 break down proteins to amino acids; 7 deamination; 8 ammonia / NH ₃ / NH ₄ ; 9 ammonia to nitrite; 10 nitrite to nitrate; 11 nitrification / nitrifying bacteria; 12 Nitrosomonas / Nitrobacter in correct context of nitrification; [6 max]	MP3 must be related to MP1 or 2 A even if linked to incorrect organism R if wrong type of bacteria (e.g. N-fixing) A if in context of MP1 or 2 but do not award twice protein → ammonia / AW = 1 mark if 6, 7, 8 not given R 'nitride' unless qualified by NO₂⁻ R nitrate unqualified by nitrite or ammonia	

1 (d)	<pre>1 light intensity;</pre>	R heat / warmth	
	A drift of herbicides / weed killers 11 pollution / sulphur dioxide / acid rain; 12 soil pH / depth of soil / type of soil / poor soil / oxygen in the soil; 13 wind speed; 14 salt concentration of soil; [3 max]	R oxygen unqualified	
(e)	accept ora with population starting to increase about day 40 1 small population to start with; 2 takes time for eggs to hatch; 3 not enough food / soya bean plants not grown enough / AW; 4 aphids, not sexually mature / cannot breed / finding mates; 5 too cold / too wet / AW (another appropriate weather condition); 6 ref. to, predators / ladybirds; 7 ref. to, parasites / disease; 8 ref. to, pesticides / insecticides; 9 no immigration; 10 competition (between aphids, with another pest); 11 AVP; [3 max]	do not expect knowledge of aphid biology I names of phases (lag, log) I 'adjusting to surroundings' refs. to soya must refer to food for aphids A few soya plants / competition for food / soya grows slowly R unfavourable conditions unqualified (e.g. correct ref. biotic and abiotic factors)	
	[Total: 19]		

2	(a)	(reserves last longer for walking / ora; (approx) 4 times longer / other use of figures;	[2]
		(ii)	glucose and muscle glycogen;	[1]
		(iii)	fat and carbohydrate;	[1]
		(iv)	award two marks if correct answer (16.6 / 17) is given if no answer or incorrect answer award one mark for correct working	
			1660 / 100 OR 5800 / 350 OR average of the two 16.57 / 16.58 / 16.59 / 16.6 / 17 (kJ per gram) ;; R rounding down to 16.5	[2]
	(b)	(muscle, growth / development / repair; A 'make / build up, muscle'	[1]
		(ii)	to build up, energy / glycogen, reserves / stores; muscle / liver, glycogen; converted to fat / stored as fat;	[2]
	(c)	($C_6H_{12}O_6 \longrightarrow 2C_3H_6O_3$ (+ energy released)	
			1 mark for glucose + lactic acid formulae correct; 1 mark for balanced equation; R if anything else given (CO ₂ + H ₂ O)	
		(ii)	 short, time / distance, for sprint or long, time / distance, for marathon; sprint needs (lots of) energy quickly / marathon needs energy over long period; sprint oxygen supply not sufficient / oxygen supplied during marathon; anaerobic does not need oxygen / aerobic needs oxygen; lactic acid, removed after sprint / would build up in marathon; ref to muscle, fatigue / cramp / pain; ref to oxygen debt; AVP; e.g. fat has higher energy content useful for marathon 	[max 4]
		(iii)	glycogen in liver broken down to glucose; correct ref to glucagon; R if 'glucagon breaks down glycogen' glucose from liver enters the blood; R 'excreted into blood' idea that balances use of glucose; A 'replaces glucose used up'	[max 4]

[Total: 17]