Transport in Plants

Mark Scheme 4

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Que	stion		Ans	vers		Marks	Additional Guidance
1	(a)		E – cortex ; F – medulla ; G – <u>ureter</u> ;			[3]	
	(b)	(i)	process	letter			mark the columns independently
			diffusion of oxygen	Н;	idea that (oxygen) diffuses, from high concentration/to low concentration/down concentration gradient (into the cell);		
			active uptak of sodium io		idea that (sodium ions) are moved against their concentration gradient/from low to high concentration;	[4]	
		(ii) glomerulus;		[1]			
	(iii) 1 (glucose is reabsorbed) by active uptake/active transport (from filtrate); against concentration gradient/from low to high concentration; using energy; as in L;				[max 2]	ignore diffusion of glucose R energy 'produced'	
	(c) 1 active uptake/active transport, of ions against the concentration gradient (into the root); 2 energy is needed for, active uptake/active transport; 3 comes from respiration; 4 water is absorbed, by osmosis/down water potential gradient; 5 (osmosis/diffusion is a) passive process/does not need energy; 6 diffusion of ions will occur until equilibrium;		[max 3]	R energy 'produced'			
						[Total: 13]	

2 (a)			
	stage	Process	
	Р	nitrogen fixation ;	
	Q	protein synthesis ;	
	R	feeding / digestion ;	
	s	deamination	
	Т	nitrification;	
	U	denitrification ;	rei
			[5]

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2 (b) 1 2 3 4	plants from irradiated seeds had more nodules; plants from irradiated seeds had nodules with more mass; comparative data quote for number; comparative data quote for dry mass of nodules;	[max 3]	Units are required at least once.
(c)	mutation ; change in, gene(s) / DNA ;	[2]	
(d) 1 2 3 4 5 6 7	choose plants with desired feature(s); cross / breed plants; any detail; e.g. bagging flowers, transfer of pollen with paintbrush collect seeds; grow seeds and check plants for features; cross plants showing features with original variety; keep crossing and selecting;	[max 4]	
(e) 1 2 3 4	genetic engineering / genetic modification; introduced a gene from a different species; results, after one generation; any detail of method involved e.g. use of vector / plasmid;	[max 2]	
(f) 1 2 3 4	fix nitrogen; products of fixation / nitrates provide a source of protein; increases nitrogen in soil when beans decay; maintain / higher, yields (of maize);	[max 2]	

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3	(a)	1 2 3 4 5	root hairs; water moves from high(er) water potential to low(er) water potential; osmosis; through partially permeable membrane; ref. to protein pores;	[max 3]	A down a water potential gradient <i>ignore</i> water concentration R dilute and concentrated A semi-permeable / selectively permeable		
	(b)	1 2 3 4 5	large surface area; thin (cell) walls; (many) mitochondria; ref. respiration; provide / release, energy, for active transport; proteins / carriers / channels, for, diffusion / active transport (of ions);	[max 3]	A minerals for ions A thin wall as 'cell' is in the question A active, uptake / transport, uses energy A active uptake R if water also taken up by active uptake A 'moving against concentration gradient' for active transport		
	(c)	in appropriate boxes adult and zygote = 90; ovum = 45;		[2]	A ecf if half incorrect diploid number only allow ecf if both diploid numbers are the same		

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3	(d)	advantages for plants only one, parent / plant; fast / new plants establish themselves quickly;		R refs to number of plants produced R 'does not require male and female gametes' A 'more likely to leave offspring' idea	
		(potential) rapid spread close to parent / AW; less energy required; no wastage of gametes; (if parent well adapted) offspring will be adapted to		ignore refs to avoiding mutations unqualified A 'good' traits / e.g., passed on R 'good' genes	
		surroundings; plants grow in a suitable place / no wastage; AVP; e.g. greater chance of reproduction	[max 2]		
		disadvantage for plants plants too crowded / overcrowding; (lots of) competition for resources; little / no, (genetic) variation; disease transmitted directly to offspring;		genetic or infectious disease	
		less evolution / less able to adapt; (all identical so) can be wiped out by the same disease; no / little, dispersal; AVP;	[max 1]	A 'disease can spread easily'	
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