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Paper 3 (Advanced Practical Skills 2)

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MARK SCHEME

Maximum Mark: 40

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Mark scheme abbreviations:

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| ; | separates marking points |
| / | alternative answers for the same point |
| R | reject |
| A | accept (for answers correctly cued by the question, or by extra guidance) |
| AW | alternative wording (where responses vary more than usual) |
| <u>underline</u> | actual word given must be used by candidate (grammatical variants accepted) |
| max | indicates the maximum number of marks that can be given |
| ora | or reverse argument |
| mp | marking point (with relevant number) |
| ecf | error carried forward |
| I | ignore |

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- 1 (a) (i) (*measures room temperature*)
whole number **or** to half a degree + °C ; [1]
- (ii) (*decides on intervals for temperatures*)
at least three additional temperatures + whole numbers + at even intervals + °C ; [1]
- (iii) (*recording results*)
1. table drawn + heading, temperature + °C ;
2. heading, height **or** length (of foam) + mm ;
3. records results for at least four temperatures ;
4. correct pattern of results ;
5. height **or** length (of foam) recorded as whole mm ; [5]
- (iv) (*sources of error with reason*)
appropriate error with reason ;
e.g. difficulty of maintaining temperature within acceptable range
appropriate error with reason ;
e.g. difficulty of measuring foam as not even layer in test tube [2]
- (v) (*decides on control*)
boils yeast suspension **or** replaces yeast cell suspension with same volume of water ; [1]
- (vi) (*conclusion*)
(as temperature increases) *ref. to* more kinetic energy ;
more successful collisions **or** more enzyme-substrate-complexes / ESCs formed ; [2]
- (vii) (*modification to investigate another variable*)
1. (to standardise temperature) stated temperature + thermostatically controlled water-bath ;
2. (independent variable) at least five pHs ;
3. (method) *ref. to* use of buffers ; [3]
- (b) (i) (*line graph*)
1. (x-axis) percentage concentration of glucose solution + (y-axis) volume of CO₂ released / cm³ ;
2. (scale on x-axis) 2.0 to 2 cm, labelled at least each 2 cm +
(scale on y-axis) 2.0 to 2 cm, labelled at least each 2 cm ;
3. correct plotting of five points with a small cross **or** dot in circle ;
4. five plots + thin line drawn ; [4]
- (ii) (*interpretation*)
correctly reads from graph the volume of CO₂ at 3.5% ; [1]

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- 2 (a) (i) (*plan diagram*)
1. plan diagram of appropriate size + no shading ;
 2. no cells + at least two vascular bundles + correct section drawn ;
 3. vascular bundle divided into at least two regions ;
 4. depth of one vascular bundle drawn in correct proportion to width of lamina ;
 5. uses one label line + one label to xylem ;
- [5]
- (ii) (*drawing*)
1. quality of line for outer wall of cells + size at least 40 mm across largest cell ;
 2. only four cells drawn, each cell touching at least one other cell ;
 3. cell walls drawn as two lines close together ;
 4. cells in a chain form part of a circle ;
 5. uses one label line + one label to cell wall ;
- [5]
- (b) (*calculation*)
1. *collects* number of eyepiece graticule units equal to the length of the vascular bundle ;
 2. records whole numbers for eyepiece graticule units ;
 3. shows multiplication of numbers for eyepiece graticule units by 29.5 μm ;
 4. answer shown to appropriate accuracy + μm ;
- [4]
- (c) (i) (*observable differences between the leaf on M1 and the leaf in Fig. 2.2*)
- organises comparison into three columns with one column for features, one headed **M1** and one headed **Fig. 2.2** ;
- any three* observable differences of comparison ;;;
- e.g. **M1** has more vascular bundles than **Fig. 2.2**
- [4]
- (ii) (*conclusion*)
- (*feature*) thick cuticle or sunken stomata or few stomata ;
- (*explanation*) reduces evaporation or reduces transpiration ;
- [2]

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