



# **A-Level Biology**

## **ATP, Water and Inorganic Ions**

### **Mark Scheme**

**Time available: 87 minutes**

**Marks available: 70 marks**

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## Mark schemes

1.

- (a) 1. and 2. Accept for 2 marks correct names of three components adenine, ribose/pentose, three phosphates;;

*Accept for 1 mark, correct name of two components*

*Accept for 1 mark, ADP **and** phosphate/Pi*

*Ignore adenosine*

*Accept suitably labelled diagram*

3. Condensation (reaction);

*Ignore phosphodiester*

4. ATP synthase;

*Reject ATPase*

4

- (b) Correct answer for 1 mark = 57/57.1;

1

- (c) 1. (Amino acid uptake by) active transport;

*Accept for 'transport', process*

2. Cyanide reduces/stops amino acid uptake;

3. ATP production stops on membranes

**OR**

Enzymes not working on membranes;

4. ATP production continues in cytoplasm

**OR**

Enzymes active in cytoplasm;

3 max

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2.

- (a) 1. (water has a relatively) high (specific) heat capacity;

*Ignore numbers relating to heat capacity*

2. Can gain / lose a lot of heat / energy without changing temperature;

**OR**

Takes a lot of heat / energy to change temperature;

*Accept due to H bonding between water molecules*

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- (b) Adenosine diphosphate and (inorganic) phosphate;  
*Accept ADP for adenosine diphosphate*  
*Accept Pi / PO<sub>4</sub><sup>3-</sup> / P in a circle for inorganic phosphate*  
*Reject adenine diphosphate*  
*Reject phosphorus / P for phosphate*

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- (c) 1. Species / organism the muscle tissue came from;  
**OR**  
Thickness / type / source of the muscle tissue;  
*Ignore surface area of muscle tissue*
2. Temperature of the muscle tissue / ATP solution / slides;  
*Need to be qualified*
3. pH of the ATP solution;  
*Need to be qualified*  
*Reject concentration / volume of ATP hydrolase*

2 max

- (d) Description
1. As concentration of ATP increases, length of muscle decreases;  
*Accept negative correlation*

Explanation

2. More ATP (hydrolysed by ATP hydrolase), **so** more energy released, **so** more muscle contraction / shortening of muscle;

*Accept more ATP available for correct/named aspect of muscle contraction*

*Idea of more is required once.*

*Reject energy produced*

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- (e)  $4.88 \times 10^{-6}$  ;;;

If answer incorrect

**EITHER**

Allow 1 mark for 0.244

Allow 1 mark for  $1.22 \times 10^{-5}$

OR

Allow 1 mark for 12200 / 1.525

Allow 1 mark for 0.61

*Accept  $5 \times 10^{-6}$*

*Accept correct answer however expressed*

*Max 2 for incorrect final answer*

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3.

(a)

Letter	Statement
B;	is a monomer in an enzyme's active site
D;	is a monomer in cellulose
C;	is produced during photosynthesis and respiration
B;	forms a polymer that gives a positive result with a biuret test

*Must be in correct order*

4

(b) C = 18, H = 32, O = 16;

*Accept only these answers*

1

(c) 1. Heat with acid **and** neutralise;

*Accept boil/water bath for heat*

*Accept named alkali for neutralise*

*Accept named examples, eg HCl, NaHCO<sub>3</sub>*

2. Heat with Benedict's (solution);

3. Red precipitate/colour;

*Accept other colours eg orange/ brown/green*

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4.

(a)

*Must have MP1 for 5 max*

*3 max for sodium and 3 max for phosphate*

### Iron ions

1. Haemoglobin binds/associates with oxygen

**OR**

Haemoglobin transports/loads oxygen;

*Ignore reference to 2<sup>+</sup> or 3<sup>+</sup> in Fe<sup>2+</sup> or Fe<sup>3+</sup>*

### Sodium ions

2. Co-transport of glucose/amino acids (into cells);
3. (Because) sodium moved out by active transport/Na – K pump;
4. Creates a sodium concentration/diffusion gradient;
5. Affects osmosis/water potential;

### Phosphate ions

6. Affects osmosis/water potential;  
*Accept 5. OR 6. – not both*
7. Joins nucleotides/in phosphodiester bond/in backbone of DNA/RNA/in nucleotides;
8. Used in/to produce ATP;  
*Reject 'energy produced'*
9. Phosphorylates other compounds (usually) making them more reactive;
10. Hydrophilic/water soluble part of phospholipid bilayer/membrane;

*Accept for 1 mark,*

*Sodium ions cause water reabsorption in kidneys*

*OR*

*Sodium ions establish resting potential (in neurones)*

*OR*

*Sodium ion diffusion creates action potential*

5 max

- (b) 1. Phospholipid (bilayer) allows movement/diffusion of non-polar/lipid-soluble substances;

*1. and 2. Accept correct named examples*

*1. and 2. Ignore water*

*Accept phospholipid (bilayer) allows movement/diffusion of O<sub>2</sub>/CO<sub>2</sub>*

*Accept water-insoluble*

2. Phospholipid (bilayer) prevents movement/diffusion of polar/ charged/lipid-insoluble substances

**OR**

(Membrane) proteins allow polar/charged substances to cross the membrane/bilayer;

*Accept water-soluble*

3. Carrier proteins allow active transport;
4. Channel/carrier proteins allow facilitated diffusion/co-transport;  
*Accept aquaporins allow osmosis*
5. Shape/charge of channel / carrier determines which substances move;
6. Number of channels/carriers determines how much movement;
7. Membrane surface area determines how much diffusion/movement;  
*6. and 7. Accept correct reference to faster/slower/rate for 'how much movement'*  
*Accept microvilli / Golgi (apparatus) / ER / rER*  
*Accept surface area to volume for 'surface area'*
8. Cholesterol affects fluidity/rigidity/permeability;  
*Accept cholesterol affects vesicle formation/ endocytosis/exocytosis /phagocytosis;*

5 max

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5.

- (a)
1. A metabolite **in** condensation/hydrolysis/ photosynthesis/respiration;
  2. A solvent **so** (metabolic) reactions can occur  
**OR**  
A solvent **so** allowing transport of substances;
  3. High heat capacity **so** buffers changes in temperature;  
*For 'buffer' accept 'resist'.*
  4. Large latent heat of vaporisation **so** provides a cooling effect (through evaporation);
  5. Cohesion (between water molecules) **so** supports columns of water (in plants);  
*For 'columns of water' accept 'transpiration stream'.*  
*Do not credit 'transpiration' alone but accept description of 'stream'.*  
*For 'columns of water' accept 'cohesion-tension (theory)'.*  
*For cohesion accept hydrogen bonding*
  6. Cohesion (between water molecules) **so** produces surface tension supporting (small) organisms;  
*For cohesion accept hydrogen bonding*  
  
*Ignore reference to pH.*  
*Allow other suitable properties but must have a valid explanation.*  
*For example*
    - *ice floating **so** maintaining aquatic habitat beneath*
    - *water transparent **so** allowing light penetration for photosynthesis*

5 max

(b)

*4 max if marks gained from only 2 substance tests.*

Lipid

1. Add ethanol/alcohol **then** add water **and** shake/mix  
**OR**  
Add ethanol/alcohol **and** shake/mix **then** pour into/add water;  
*Reject heating emulsion test.*  
*Accept 'Add Sudan III and mix'.*
2. White/milky emulsion  
**OR**  
emulsion test turns white/milky;  
*Ignore cloudy.*  
*Reject precipitate.*  
*Accept (for Sudan III) top (layer) red.*

Non-reducing sugar

3. Do Benedict's test **and** stays blue/negative;  
*Ignore details of method for Benedict's test for this mp.*
4. Boil with acid **then** neutralise with alkali;  
*Accept named examples of acids/alkalis.*
5. Heat with Benedict's **and** becomes red/orange (precipitate);  
*Do not credit mp5 if no attempt at mp4.*  
*For 'heat' ignore 'warm'/'heat gently'/'put in a water bath' but accept stated temperatures  $\geq 60^{\circ}\text{C}$ .*  
*Heat must be stated again, do not accept using residual heat from mp4.*  
*Accept 'do the Benedict's test' if full correct method given elsewhere.*  
*Accept 'sodium carbonate, sodium citrate and copper sulfate solution' for Benedict's but must have all three if term 'Benedict's' not used.*

Amylase

6. Add biuret (reagent) **and** becomes purple/violet/mauve/lilac;  
*Accept 'sodium or potassium hydroxide and copper sulfate solution' for 'biuret'.*  
*Reject heating biuret test.*
7. Add starch, (leave for a time), test for reducing sugar/absence of starch;

5 max



(c)

*Ignore reference to dimers.*

1. A condensation reaction joins monomers together **and** forms a (chemical) bond **and** releases water;
2. A hydrolysis reaction breaks a (chemical) bond between monomers **and** uses water;
3. A suitable example of polymers and the monomers from which they are made;  
*3. and 4. Polymers must contain many monomers.*  
*3. and 4: suitable examples include*
  - *amino acid **and** polypeptide, protein, enzyme, antibody or specific example*
  - *nucleotide **and** polynucleotide, DNA or RNA*
  - *Alpha glucose **and** starch/glycogen*
  - *Beta glucose **and** cellulose.**If neither specific carbohydrate example is given, allow monosaccharide/glucose and polysaccharide.*  
*3. and 4. Reject (once) reference to triglycerides.*
4. A second suitable example of polymers and the monomers from which they are made;
5. Reference to a correct bond within a named polymer;  
*Reject reference to ester bond.*

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- (b) 1. DNA helicase unwinds DNA/double helix

**OR**

- DNA helicase breaks hydrogen bonds;
2. Both strands act as templates;  
*Accept description of 'template', eg exposed bases on single (polynucleotide) strands*
3. (Free DNA) nucleotides line up in complementary pairs/A-T and G-C;
4. DNA polymerase joins nucleotides (of new strand);  
*Reject forms hydrogen bonds/joins bases*
5. Forming phosphodiester bonds;
6. Each new DNA molecule consists of one old/original/template strand and one new strand;

5 max

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7.

- (a) 1. Polar molecule;  
2. Acts as a (universal) solvent;

**OR**

3. (Universal) solvent;  
4. (Metabolic) reactions occur faster in solution;

**OR**

5. Reactive;  
6. Takes place in hydrolysis / condensation / named reaction;  
*Polar molecule so acts as (universal) solvent so (metabolic reactions are faster = 3 marks*

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- (b) Name of ion;

Correct function within cell;

*Ions other than sodium in specification are  $H^+$ ,  $Fe^{2+}$  and  $PO_4^{3-}$  but accept any correct ion (other than sodium) plus relevant function = 2.*

*Allow ion to be named in words but not as element, e.g, iron ion but not iron.*

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- (c) 1. Comparison: both move down concentration gradient;  
2. Comparison: both move through (protein) channels in membrane;  
*Accept aquaporins (for water) and ion channels*  
3. Contrast: ions can move against a concentration gradient by active transport

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