

MARK SCHEME for the May/June 2014 series

9700 BIOLOGY

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Paper 32 (Advanced Practical Skills 2),
maximum raw mark 40

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Mark scheme abbreviations:

;	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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- (ii) (x-axis) time of heating solution **E** / seconds
+ (y-axis) time to reach the end-point / seconds ;

(x-axis) 2 cm to 50 seconds, labelled each 2 cm, except origin and 300 seconds
+ (y-axis) 2 cm to 50 seconds, labelled each 2 cm, except origin and 250 ;

correct plotting of five points as small cross or dot in circle or cross ;

five plots + ruled sharp lines exactly point to point

or

ruled line of best fit + sharp smooth line ;

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- (iii) structure of protein / substrate / enzyme / active site or bonds
+ changed / altered / destroyed / no longer complementary / broken ;

fewer ESCs / Enzyme Substrate Complexes or less substrate can bind ;

idea of enzyme denatured ;

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- 2 (a) at least 3 lines + size at least 40 mm across greatest width of root tip + no shading ;
no cells + one closed end with one open end ;
root cap as separate area or two lines around margin ;
chooses (correct) area to cells undergoing mitosis ;
label (e.g. mitosis) to area with cells undergoing mitosis ;

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- (b) at least 5 cells + size at least 50 mm across largest cell at widest point + sharp continuous lines ;
only 5 whole cells drawn + enclosure drawn in cells **Q** and **S** ;
for cells **P**, **R** and **T** whole nuclei drawn as different shapes ;
for **Q** chromosomes drawn as a mass ;
2 labels + 2 lines + 2 different stages of mitosis identified ;
one correct annotation of one stage ;

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- (c) measures scale bar within range + mm + to 0.5 ; (range 13–15 mm) ;

shows conversion of scale bar in mm to μm ($\times 1000$)

or

shows conversion of 31 μm to mm (31 divided by 1000 = 0.031 mm) ;

show measurement of scale bar in μm divided by 31 μm

or

shows measurement of scale bar in mm divided by 0.031 mm ;

correct answer 451.61 / correct answer rounded to a whole number (452) ; **ecf**

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(d) organise as table with 3 columns headed feature + Fig. 2.1 + Fig. 2.2 ;

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max 4 for differences

point of comparison	Fig 2.1	Fig 2.2
cells undergoing mitosis	more	few(er)
visibility of chromosomes	chromosome / chromatids visible	chromosome / chromatids not visible ;
metaphase or anaphase	present / (one cell in) metaphase / anaphase	absent / no metaphase / anaphase ;
interphase or telophase	less or no telophase	more or (one / two cells in) telophase ;
cell walls or cell shape or cell arrangement	not visible / absent or rectangular / 4 sides or scattered / irregular / random	prominent / present or 6 sides / 5 sides or aligned / regular / ordered ;
cell packing or air spaces or cells touching	loosely packed / more spaced out / separated or more air spaces or have spaces between cells or cells not touching	closely packed / less spaced out; or none or few air spaces or have no spaces between cells or cells touching ;
nucleus	present or all cells show a nucleus	not all cells show a nucleus or some cells have a nucleus ;

[max 5]

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