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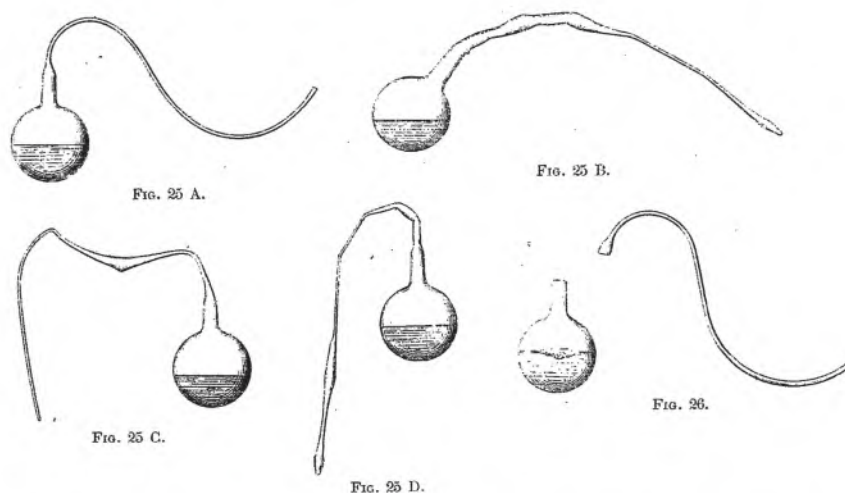
BIOLOGY

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1 - (BIOLO/21_HL_Summer_2017_Q3) - Cell Biology

Pictured below are Louis Pasteur's original drawings of swan-necked flasks.



[Source: L Pasteur and L Pasteur Vallery-Radot, (1922), *Œuvres de Pasteur*, Vol II Fermentations et générations dites spontanées, pages 260–261]

- (a) Describe how Pasteur's experiments provided convincing evidence to falsify the concept of spontaneous generation.

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(b) State the function of life in *Paramecium* that is carried out by:

(i) cilia.

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(ii) the contractile vacuole.

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(c) Discuss the advantages and disadvantages of the use of adult stem cells.

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2 - (BIOLO/22_HL_Summer_2017_Q3) - *Cell Biology*

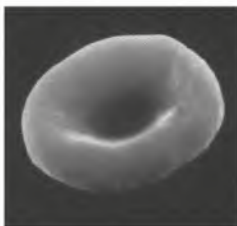
- (a) Outline the properties of water molecules that permit them to move upwards in plants. [2]

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- (b) Define osmolarity. [1]

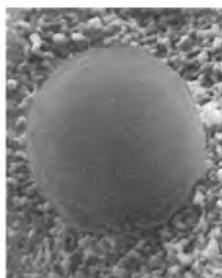
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- (c) This image shows a normal red blood cell.

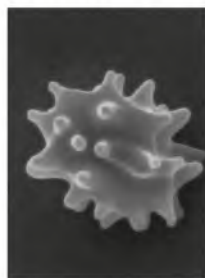


These images show two red blood cells that have been placed in solutions with different concentrations of solutes.

Red blood cell 1



Red blood cell 2



[Source: adapted from www.acbrown.com]

Deduce, with a reason, which red blood cell has been placed in a hypertonic solution. [1]

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- (d) State what change there has been in the cell surface area to volume ratio in red blood cell 1. [1]

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3 - (BIOLO/22_HL_Summer_2017_Q8) - *Cell Biology, Genetics, Nucleic Acids (ahl)*

- (a) Cells go through a repeating cycle of events in growth regions such as plant root tips and animal embryos. Outline this cell cycle. [4]
- (b) Draw a labelled diagram of the formation of a chiasma by crossing over. [3]
- (c) Explain the control of gene expression in eukaryotes. [8]

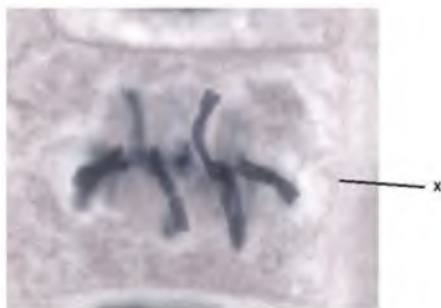
4 - (BIOLO/20_HL_Winter_2017_Q6) - *Cell Biology, Animal Physiology (ahl), Evolution & Biodiversity*

Cell biologists play an important role in research into disease, fertility, evolution and many other areas of science.

- (a) Describe the origin of eukaryotic cells according to the endosymbiotic theory. [4]
- (b) Compare and contrast the processes of spermatogenesis and oogenesis. [8]
- (c) Outline the evidence for evolution provided by selective breeding. [3]

5 - (BIOLO/21_HL_Summer_2018_Q5) - *Cell Biology, Molecular Biology*

- (a) The image shows a cell in a section of an onion root tip seen under a light microscope.



[Source: Adapted Dr. phil.nat Thomas Geier, Fachgebiet Botanik der Forschungsanstalt Geisenheim, https://commons.wikimedia.org/wiki/File:Allium-Mitose03-DM100x_BL28.jpg. Licenced under the Creative Commons Attribution-Share Alike 3.0 Unported license, <https://creativecommons.org/licenses/by-sa/3.0/legalcode>.]

- (i) Identify the structure labelled X. [1]

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- (ii) State the stage of mitosis of this cell. [1]

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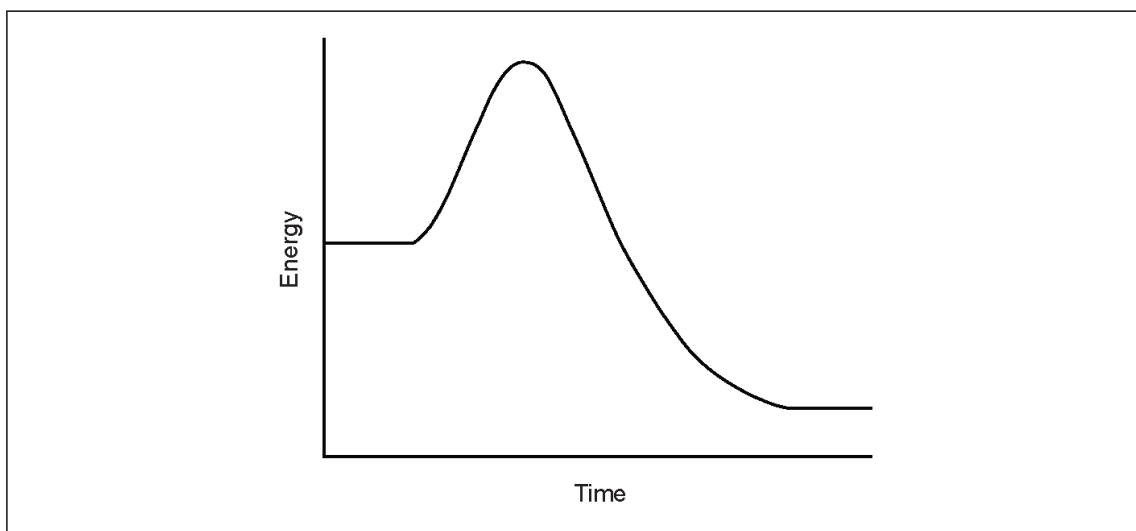
- (b) Compare and contrast the location of ATP synthase and the movement of protons during aerobic cell respiration and photosynthesis. [2]

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- (c) Using the table, distinguish between the production of ATP, use of oxygen and release of CO_2 in aerobic cell respiration between the cytoplasm and the mitochondrion. [3]

	Cytoplasm	Mitochondrion
ATP production		
Use of oxygen		
Release of CO_2		

- (d) The graph shows energy levels throughout an uncatalysed reaction. Draw a curve to show how the action of an enzyme would affect this reaction. [1]



6 - (BIOLO/21_HL_Summer_2018_Q6) - Cell Biology, Human Physiology, Molecular Biology

- (a) Draw a labelled diagram to show the fluid mosaic model of the plasma membrane. [4]
- (b) Outline how neurons generate a resting potential. [4]
- (c) Hydrogen bonds can exist both within and between molecules in living organisms and have an impact on their structure and function. Explain the importance of hydrogen bonding for living organisms. [7]

7 - (BIOLO/22_HL_Summer_2018_Q5) - Cell Biology, Plant Biology (ahl)

Every cell is surrounded by a cell surface membrane which regulates the movement of materials into and out of the cell.

- (a) Discuss alternative models of membrane structure including evidence for or against each model. [8]
- (b) Describe the processes involved in absorbing different nutrients across the cell membrane of villus epithelium cells lining the small intestine. [4]
- (c) Outline the process used to load organic compounds into phloem sieve tubes. [3]

8 - (BIOLO/21_HL_Summer_2019_Q5) - *Cell Biology*

- (a) Outline the functions of rough endoplasmic reticulum and Golgi apparatus. [3]
- (b) Outline the control of metabolism by end-product inhibition. [5]
- (c) Explain how hydrophobic and hydrophilic properties contribute to the arrangement of molecules in a membrane. [7]

9 - (BIOLO/20_HL_Winter_2019_Q4) - *Cell Biology, Metabolism, cell Respiration & Photosynthesis (ahl)*

- (a) (i) State the property of amphipathic phospholipids that enables them to form a bilayer. [1]

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- (ii) State the reason cis and trans fatty acids are said to be unsaturated. [1]

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- (b) During photosynthesis plants use water in the conversion of light energy to chemical energy.

- (i) State the name of this process. [1]

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- (ii) Explain how water is used in photosynthesis. [3]

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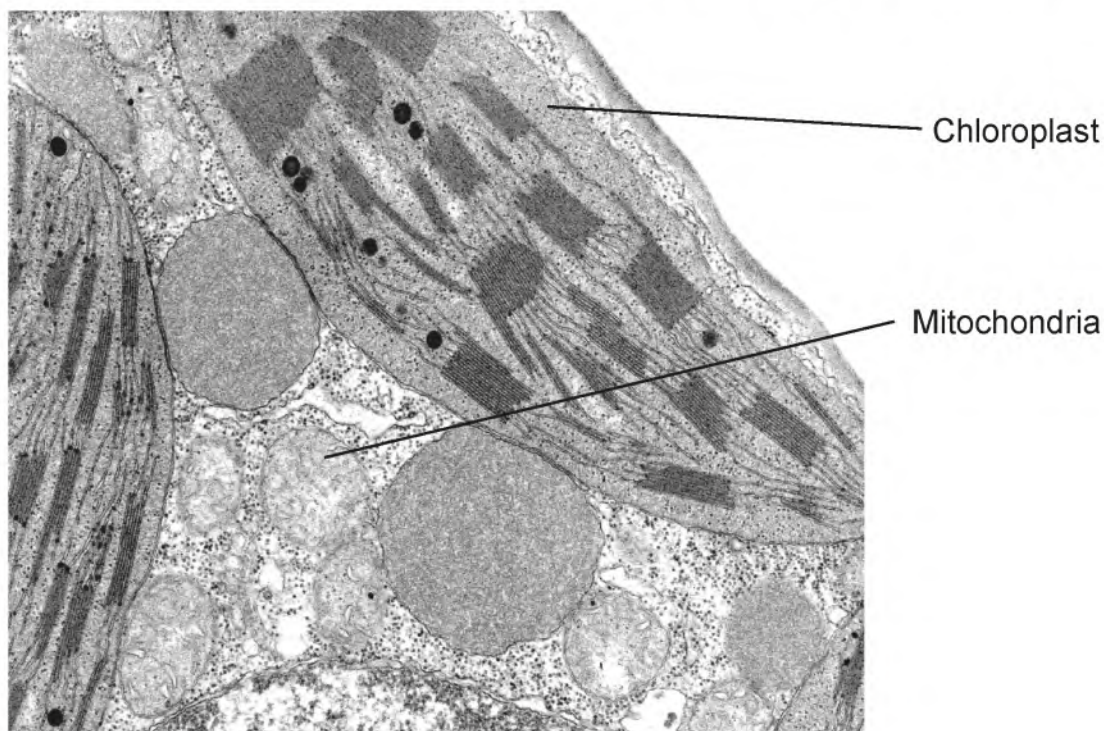
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10 - (BIOLO/21_HL_Summer_2021_Q2) - Cell Biology

The image shows part of a plant cell with a chloroplast in close proximity to mitochondria.



(a) State **two** structural similarities between mitochondria and chloroplasts. [2]

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(b) Compare and contrast mitochondria and chloroplasts in terms of the substrates they use and the products they produce. [2]

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- (c) Outline how the compounds produced by chloroplasts are distributed throughout the plant.

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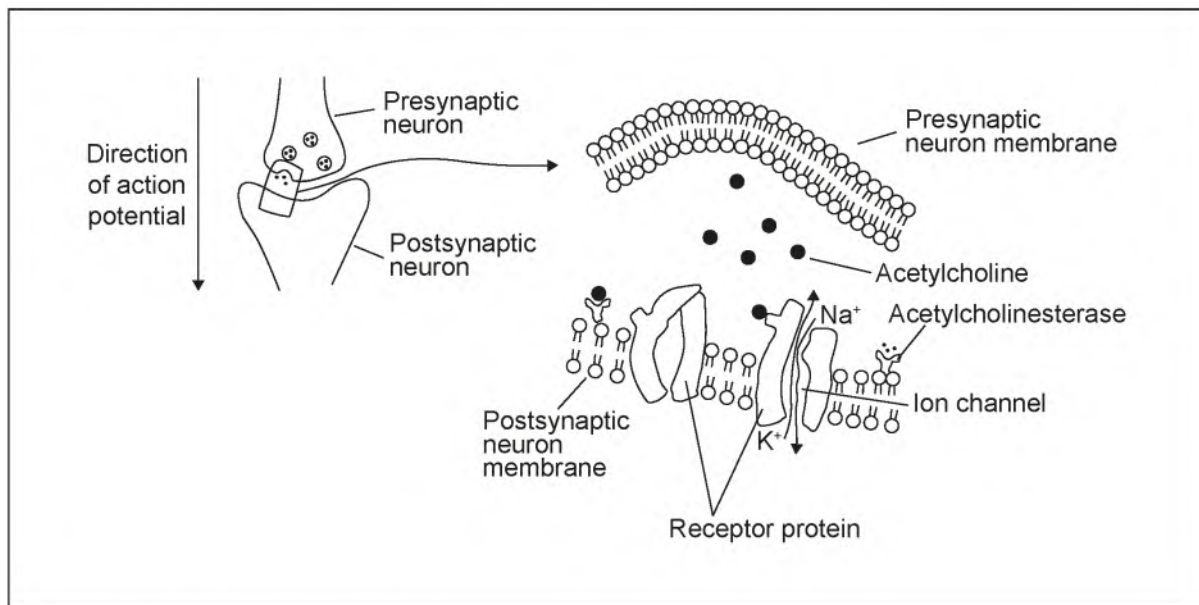
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11 - (BIOLO/22_HL_Summer_2021_Q2) - Cell Biology, Molecular Biology, Human Physiology

Cholinergic synapses use acetylcholine as their neurotransmitter. They are widespread in the body, passing on signals to muscle cells. These synapses are affected by neonicotinoid pesticides.

The diagrams, which are not drawn to scale, show the synapse between two neurons and a detail of the synaptic cleft.



(a) On the diagrams, label:

- (i) with a letter H the hydrophilic end of a phospholipid [1]
- (ii) with a letter E a vesicle involved in exocytosis [1]
- (iii) with a letter P a location where a neonicotinoid pesticide could bind. [1]

(b) Outline how depolarization of the membrane of an axon occurs. [2]

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- (c) Explain how acetylcholine initiates an action potential in a postsynaptic membrane. [2]

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- (d) (i) State the action of the enzyme acetylcholinesterase. [1]

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- (ii) Explain what happens to an enzyme if there is a change of pH. [3]

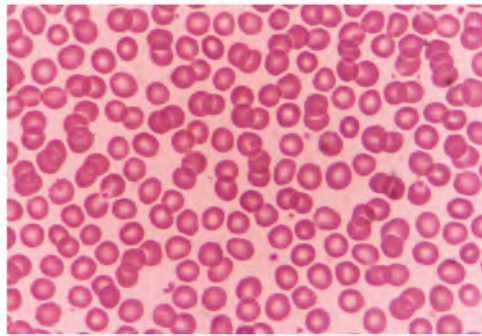
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12 - (BIOLO/22_HL_Summer_2021_Q5) - *Cell Biology, Genetics, Human Physiology*

- (a) Autosomal genes are located in chromosomes that are not sex chromosomes. The inheritance of autosomal genes is affected by whether the genes are linked or unlinked. Explain the **two** types of inheritance, using the example of parents that are heterozygous for two genes A and B. [7]
- (b) Outline how sperm are produced from diploid cells in the testis and how this production can be sustained over many decades of adult life. [4]
- (c) Testis cells are eukaryotic cells. Identify the structures seen under the electron microscope in testis cells that are not present in prokaryotic cells. [4]

13 - (BIOLO/20_HL_Winter_2021_Q3) - *Cell Biology, Human Physiology*

The image shows human red blood cells.



- (a) Outline what will happen to human red blood cells if transferred to distilled water. [1]

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- (b) Stem cells can be used to treat Stargardt's disease. State **one** other condition treated using stem cells. [1]

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- (c) Explain the propagation of nerve impulses along the membrane of a neuron. [3]

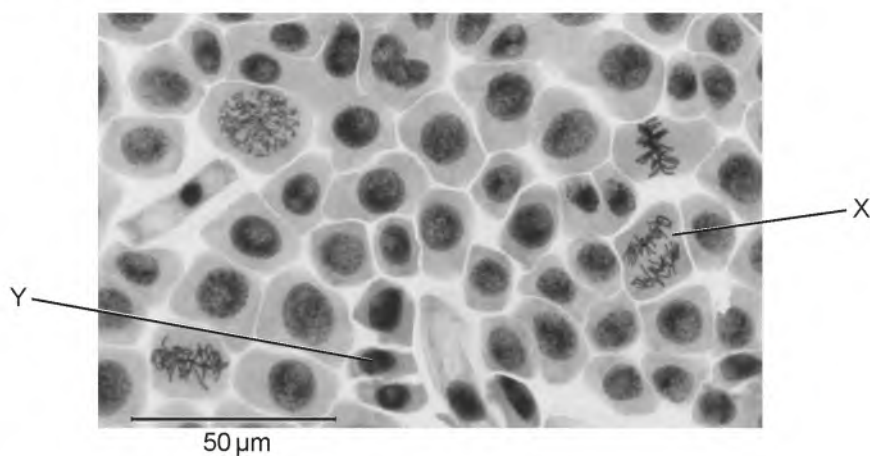
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14 - (BIOLO/21_HL_Summer_2022_Q7) - *Cell Biology, Animal Physiology (ahl), Metabolism, cell Respiration & Photosynthesis (ahl)*

- (a) Outline reasons for the therapeutic use of stem cells. [3]
- (b) Describe how monoclonal antibodies are produced. [5]
- (c) Explain the role of the electron transport chain in the generation of ATP by cell respiration. [7]

15 - (BIOLO/22_HL_Summer_2022_Q2) - Cell Biology

- (a) The onion (*Allium cepa*) root cells shown in the micrograph are in different stages of mitosis.



- (i) Identify, with a reason, the stage shown at X. [2]

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- (ii) Calculate the length of the entire cell labelled Y, showing your working. [1]

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- (iii) State the role of cyclins in the cell cycle. [1]

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- (b) (i) Distinguish between the structure of chromosomes in prokaryotes and eukaryotes. [2]

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- (ii) Explain Cairns's technique to measure the length of the DNA molecule. [2]

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16 - (BIOLO/20_HL_Winter_2022_Q6) - *Cell Biology, Human Physiology*

Multicellular organisms benefit from cell specialization and division of labour.

- (a) Outline the processes occurring during interphase in the cell cycle. [4]
(b) Describe what occurs in a neuron when an action potential is propagated along the axon. [4]
(c) Explain how cells in the bloodstream cause a specific immune response. [7]

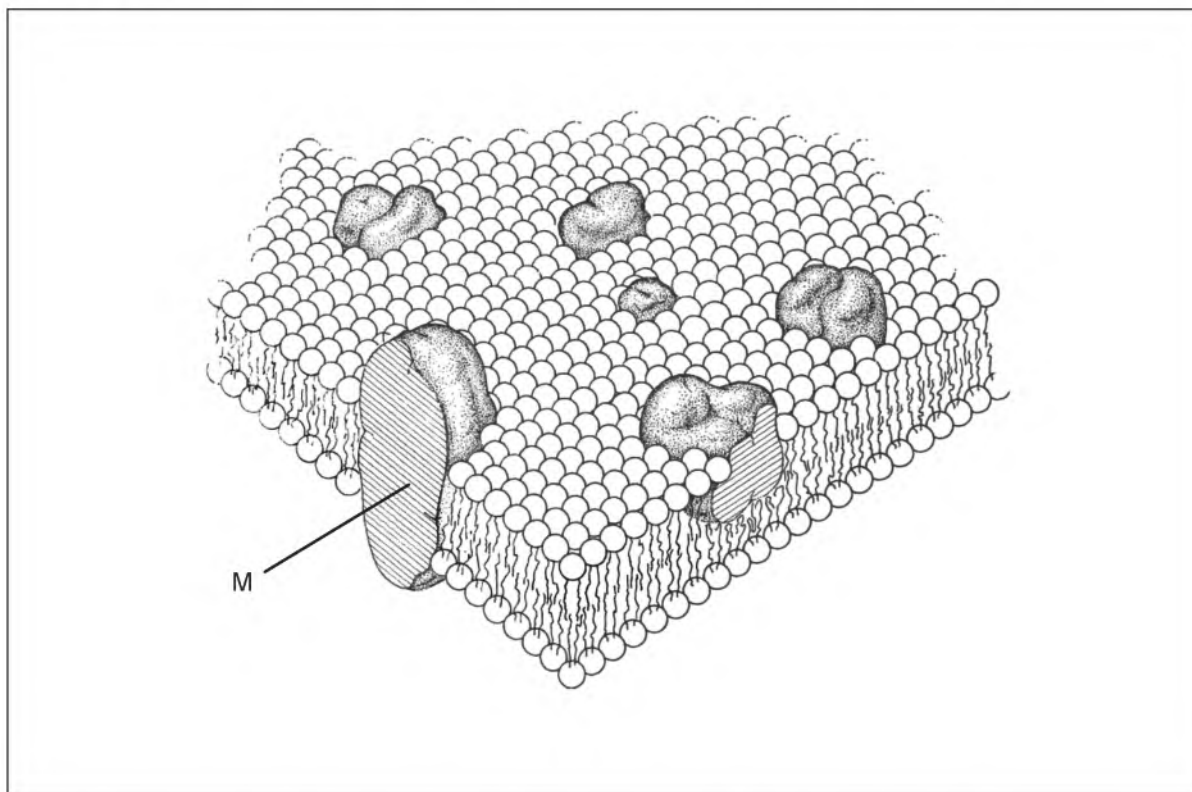
17 - (BIOLO/22_HL_Summer_2023_Q6) - *Cell Biology, Animal Physiology (ahl), Ecology*

Many biological processes are cyclical. Examples of cycles can be found at the level of the cell, the organism and the ecosystem.

- (a) Explain how changes to the cell cycle can result in tumour formation. [4]
(b) Outline the role of the right atrium in the cardiac cycle. [4]
(c) Describe processes in the carbon cycle that produce or use carbon dioxide. [7]

18 - (BIOLO/21_HL_Summer_2024_Q2) - Cell Biology

The diagram shows the original drawing of the cell membrane made in 1972 by Singer and Nicolson.



- (a) Label with the letter H part of a phospholipid molecule that is hydrophilic. [1]
- (b) Distinguish between this model of the cell membrane and the Davson–Danielli model. [1]

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- (c) Explain the role of molecules such as M in sodium–potassium pumps. [3]

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19 - (BIOLO/21_HL_Summer_2024_Q3) - Cell Biology, Plant Biology (ahl)

The image shows a cell in the anther of a lily (*Lilium sp.*) plant during the first division of meiosis.



- (a) (i) Identify the stage of meiosis shown in the image. [1]

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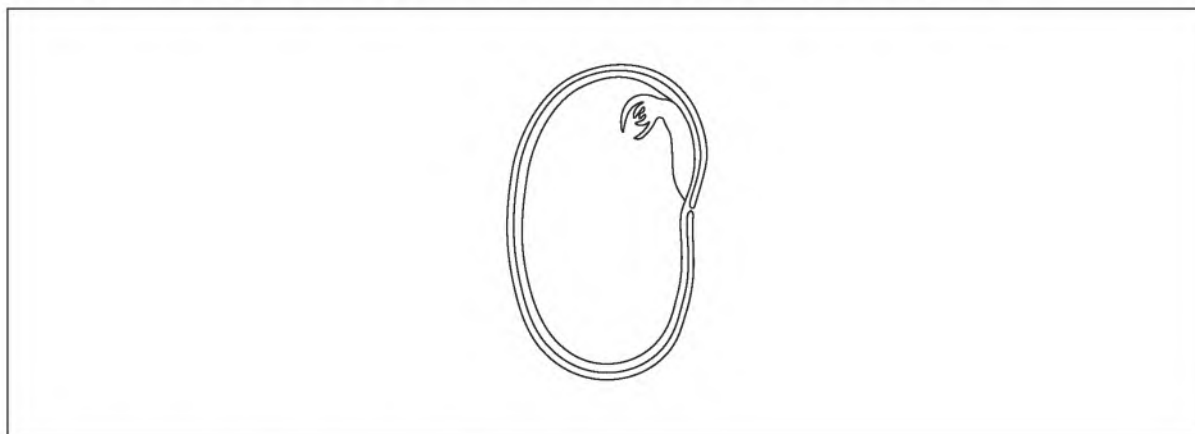
- (ii) State where in the lily flower pollen would be formed. [1]

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- (b) Distinguish between plant pollination and fertilization. [2]

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(c) The diagram shows a cross section through a broad bean (*Vicia faba*) seed.



(i) On the diagram, label the cotyledon. [1]

(ii) Outline the function of the cotyledon. [2]

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20 - (BIOLO/22_HL_Summer_2024_Q8) - Cell Biology, Human Physiology

The human body has defence systems to prevent the entry of harmful bacteria and to destroy those that do enter.

(a) Draw a fully-labelled diagram of a bacterial cell. [4]

(b) Describe how disease-causing bacteria are prevented from entering the body. [3]

(c) Explain how the body develops immunity against pathogenic bacteria. [8]

21 - (BIOLO/2_HL_Winter_2024_Q2) - Cell Biology, Data Analysis, Human Physiology

The electron micrograph shows part of a pancreas cell that secretes digestive enzymes.



- (a) Calculate the magnification of the micrograph. [1]
- (b) Identify the organelle labelled X. [1]
- (c) State the organelle where digestive enzymes are synthesised. [1]
- (d) Identify the process by which digestive enzymes are secreted. [1]
- (e) The pancreas secretes other chemicals as well as enzymes. State an example of a chemical **and** the type of pancreatic cell that secretes it. [1]

ANSWERS

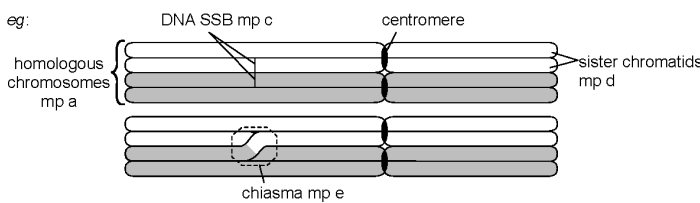
1 - (BIOLO/21_HL_Summer_2017_Q3) - Cell Biology

a		a. spontaneous generation is life appearing from nothing/from non-living/cells only come from pre-existing cells/life ✓ b. broth/culture medium «for bacteria» «used/placed» in flasks ✓ c. broth boiled/sterilized «in some flasks» to kill microbes ✓ d. no clouding/signs of bacteria growth/reproduction/microbes did not appear «in flasks of boiled broth» ✓ e. after necks of flasks snapped boiled broth became cloudy/growth «of microbes» ✓ f. because microbes from the air contaminated the «boiled» broth ✓ g. curved necks allowed exposure to air but prevented entry of microbes ✓	Allow bacteria or organisms instead of microbes.	3 max
b	i	movement / locomotion OR feeding/nutrition ✓	If student has multiple answers do not accept the second answer if the first one is incorrect.	1
	ii	homeostasis OR maintain osmotic balance / osmoregulation / expels «excess» water / maintains «cell» water content ✓	If student has multiple answers do not accept the second answer if the first one is incorrect.	1
c		Advantages a. «adult stem cells» can divide «endlessly» / can differentiate ✓ b. «adult stem cells» can be used to repair/regenerate «tissues» ✓ c. fewer ethical objections «than with embryonic stem cells» ✓ d. adult source not killed / «source» would not have grown into new human / no death of embryos used to provide stem cells ✓ e. adults can give «informed» consent for use of their stem cells ✓ f. no rejection problems / patient's own cells used ✓ g. less chance of cancer/«malignant» tumor development «than with embryonic stem cells» h. most tissues in adults contain some stem cells ✓ Disadvantages i. difficult to obtain/collect/find in adult body; ✓ j. some «adult» tissues contain few/no stem cells/very few available ✓ k. (adult stem cells) differentiate into fewer cell types «than embryonic cells»/WTTE ✓	Maximum [2] if only advantages or only disadvantages are included.	3 max

2 - (BIOLO/22_HL_Summer_2017_Q3) - Cell Biology

a		a. water molecules are polar OR can form hydrogen bonds ✓ b. cohesion between water molecules allows continuous water columns OR cohesion between water molecules allows transpiration stream «to form in xylem» ✓ c. adhesion of water to the walls of xylem vessel «helps water rise» ✓ d. water evaporates at environmental temperatures allowing transpiration pull ✓	OWTTE	2 max
b		«measurement of» solute concentration of a solution ✓	OWTTE	1
c		cell 2 because it has plasmolized/lost water/volume has decreased ✓		1
d		decreased ✓		1

3 - (BIOLO/22_HL_Summer_2017_Q8) - Cell Biology, Genetics, Nucleic Acids (ahl)

a	a. mitosis is the division of a nucleus to produce two genetically identical daughter nuclei ✓ b. consists of four phases: prophase, metaphase, anaphase, telophase ✓ c. cytokinesis occurs after mitosis ✓ d. interphase is the metabolically active phase between cell divisions ✓ e. the interphase consists of the S phase, G1 and G2 ✓ f. DNA replicates in the S phase ✓ g. cell growth OR preparation for mitosis OR duplication of organelles in G1 and G2 ✓	OWTTE	4 max
b	a. «crossing over/chiasmata shown between» homologous chromosomes ✓ b. centromere drawn and labelled ✓ c. single strand break «SSB»/DNA cut between homologous chromosomes ✓ d. non-sister chromatids labelled OR sister chromatids labelled ✓ e. chiasma between homologous chromosomes labelled «shown forming after SSB» ✓ eg: 	<i>Homologous chromosomes must be labelled and correctly drawn.</i> <i>It is likely that more than one diagram will need to be included to demonstrate the stages.</i>	3 max

c	a. mRNA conveys genetic information from DNA to the ribosomes «where it guides polypeptide production» ✓ b. gene expression requires the production of specific mRNA «through transcription» ✓ c. most genes are turned off/not being transcribed at any one time/regulated OR some genes are only expressed at certain times ✓ d. some genes are only expressed in certain cells/tissues OR «cell» differentiation involves changes in gene expression ✓ e. transcription factors/proteins can increase/decrease transcription ✓ f. hormones/chemical environment of cell can affect gene expression ✓ g. example of cell environment ✓ h. transcription factors/proteins may prevent or enhance the binding of RNA polymerase ✓ i. nucleosomes limit access of transcription factors to DNA/regulate gene expression/transcription OR activate or silence genes ✓ j. DNA methylation/acetylation appears to control gene expression «as epigenetic factor» OR methylated genes are silenced ✓ k. «some» DNA methylation patterns are inherited ✓ l. introns may contain positive or negative gene regulators OR gene expression can be regulated by post-transcriptional modification/splicing/mRNA processing ✓	eg: auxin/insulin/cytoplasmic gradient in embryo	8 max
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4 - (BIOLO/20_HL_Winter_2017_Q6) - Cell Biology, Animal Physiology (ahl), Evolution & Biodiversity

a	a. mitochondria and chloroplasts are similar to prokaryotes ✓ b. «host» cell took in another cell by endocytosis/by engulfing «in a vesicle» ✓ c. but did not digest the cell/kept the «ingested» cell alive OR symbiotic/mutualistic relationship «between engulfed and host cell» ✓ d. chloroplasts and mitochondria were once independent/free-living «organisms» ✓ e. DNA «loop» in chloroplast/mitochondrion ✓ f. division/binary fission of chloroplast/mitochondrion ✓ g. double membrane around chloroplast/mitochondrion ✓ h. 70s ribosomes «in chloroplast/mitochondrion» ✓	Allow "taking in" in place of "engulfing" Award up to [2] for evidence from mpe to mph	4 max
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b	a. both result in haploid cells/gametes ✓																				
	b. both involve mitosis at the start/in the «germinal» epithelium ✓																				
	c. both have cell growth «before meiosis» ✓																				
	d. both involve «two divisions of» meiosis ✓																				
	e. both involve differentiation to produce a gamete ✓																				
	f. both are stimulated by hormones																				
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	spermatogenesis stimulated by testosterone and oogenesis stimulated by FSH ✓																				
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c	a. crop plants/domesticated animals/livestock produced by selective breeding ✓		
	b. specific example of a domesticated animal/crop plant and the wild species from which it was developed OR specific example of a domesticated animal/crop plant and the features in it which have been improved «compared with the wild species» ✓	For example dogs have been developed from wolves	
	c. artificial selection/crossing selected varieties/eliminating undesirable varieties ✓		
	d. «selective breeding/artificial selection can cause» significant/rapid change over time/from the original wild species ✓		
	e. «changes due to selective breeding/artificial selection» shows natural selection can cause change/evolution «in a species» ✓		3 max

5 - (BIOLO/21_HL_Summer_2018_Q5) - Cell Biology, Molecular Biology

a	i	cell wall ✓		1
a	ii	metaphase ✓		1
b		location of ATP synthase a. cristae/inner mitochondrial membrane versus thylakoid membranes ✓ movement of protons b. protons moved/pumped as a result of <u>electron flow</u> / <u>electron</u> transport in both ✓ c. (pumped by the electron transport chain) from the matrix to the intermembrane space versus from the stroma to the thylakoid space ✓ d. through ATP synthase/synthetase in both (respiration and photosynthesis) ✓ e. protons move (through ATP synthase/synthetase) down the concentration gradient in both ✓ f. move (down concentration gradient) from the intermembrane space to the matrix versus from the thylakoid space to the stroma ✓		2 max

6 - (BIOLO/21_HL_Summer_2018_Q6) - *Cell Biology, Human Physiology, Molecular Biology*

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c	Explain the importance of hydrogen bonding for living organisms. a. cohesion in water/water molecules stick together (due to hydrogen bonds) ✓ b. cohesion helps transport under tension of water/sap in xylem / transpiration stream ✓ c. adhesion between water and cell walls/cellulose/polar molecules ✓ d. adhesion/capillary action helps water to rise in plants/stems/xylem / helps keep leaf walls moist ✓ e. solvent properties (due to hydrogen bonds) with polar/hydrophilic molecules ✓ f. solvent properties exemplified by glucose/other example of a polar solute ✓ g. high latent heat of evaporation / (much) energy required for evaporation so water useful as coolant/for sweating ✓ h. high (specific) heat capacity so water temperature changes less ✓ i. base pairing between bases/nucleotides/strands in DNA by hydrogen bonding ✓ j. base pairing between bases in RNA and DNA for transcription/between codon and anticodon for translation ✓ k. proteins have hydrogen bonding in secondary structure/α helix/β pleated sheet ✓ l. proteins have hydrogen bonding between R groups/in tertiary structure/to maintain conformation ✓ m. habitats because water is liquid due to high boiling point/due to water freezing on the surface ✓ n. habitats on water surface due to surface tension ✓	7 max
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7 - (BIOLO/22_HL_Summer_2018_Q5) - Cell Biology, Plant Biology (ahl)

a	a. early evidence showed membranes are partially permeable AND organic solvents penetrate faster than water ✓ b. suggests they have non-polar regions ✓ c. chemical analysis showed membranes consist mainly of proteins and lipids ✓ d. layer of phospholipids spread over water, orientate themselves into monolayer with nonpolar/hydrophobic tails out of water and polar/hydrophilic heads in water surface ✓ e. when shaken with water form micelles/particles with tails inwards away from water ✓ f. Davson–Danielli model proposed phospholipid bilayer coated with protein molecules on both surfaces ✓ g. evidence from electron microscopy «supported Davson–Danielli model» ✓ h. three-layered structure/ sandwich/railway tracks/two dark bands with a light band between ✓ i. model could not account for hydrophobic proteins / artifacts due to low resolution ✓ j. fluorescent labelling / freeze fracturing later used to investigate membrane structure ✓ k. led to Singer–Nicholson / fluid mosaic model of protein molecules floating in fluid lipid bilayer ✓ l. shows particles/proteins project partially and sometimes right through lipid bilayer ✓ m. indicates <u>peripheral</u> and <u>integral</u> proteins present ✓	<i>Accept any of the points clearly explained in an annotated diagram.</i>	8 max
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b	a. (simple diffusion) of nutrients along/down a concentration gradient ✓ b. example of simple diffusion <i>eg</i> fatty acids ✓ c. facilitated diffusion of nutrients involves movement through <u>channel proteins</u> ✓ d. example of nutrient diffusion <i>eg</i> fructose ✓ e. active transport of nutrients against a concentration gradient / involving <u>protein pumps</u> ✓ f. example of active transport, <i>eg</i> (iron) ions/glucose/amino acids ✓ g. endocytosis / by means of vesicles ✓ h. example of nutrient for endocytosis, <i>eg</i> cholesterol in lipoprotein particles ✓		4 max
c	a. active transport/loading of sucrose/amino acids/organic metabolites ✓ b. sucrose moves by apoplastic / symplastic routes ✓ c. «loading» at source into <u>companion cells</u> «of sieve tubes» ✓ d. movement «of sucrose» through plasmodesmata ✓ e. high concentration of solutes in phloem leads to water movement by osmosis ✓		3 max

8 - (BIOLO/21_HL_Summer_2019_Q5) - Cell Biology

a	Outline the functions of rough endoplasmic reticulum and Golgi apparatus. a. <u>ribosomes</u> on RER synthesize/produce polypeptides/proteins ✓ b. proteins from RER for secretion/export/use outside cell/for lysosomes ✓ c. Golgi alters/modifies proteins/example of modification ✓ d. <u>vesicles</u> budded off Golgi transport proteins «to plasma membrane» OR exocytosis/secretion of proteins in <u>vesicles</u> from the Golgi ✓	Accept "for use inside and outside the cell" for mpb.	3 max
b	Outline the control of metabolism by end-product inhibition. a. metabolism is chains/web of <u>enzyme</u>-catalyzed reactions OR metabolic pathway is a chain of <u>enzyme</u>-catalyzed reactions ✓ b. end product/inhibitor is final product of chain/pathway ✓ c. inhibits/binds to/blocks the first enzyme in chain/pathway ✓ d. non-competitive inhibition ✓ e. end-product/inhibitor binds to an allosteric site/site away from the active site ✓ f. changes the shape of the <u>active site</u>/affinity of the <u>active site</u> «for the substrate» ✓ g. prevents intermediates from building up OR prevents formation of excess «end» product/stops production when there is enough OR whole metabolic pathway can be switched off ✓ h. negative feedback ✓ i. binding of the end product/inhibitor is reversible OR pathway restarts if end product/inhibitor detaches/if end product concentration is low ✓ j. isoleucine inhibits/slows «activity of first enzyme in» threonine to isoleucine pathway ✓	Allow mark points shown in clearly annotated diagrams. To gain mpd, mpe and mpf the answer must be in the context of end-product inhibition, not enzyme inhibition generally.	5 max

c		Explain how hydrophobic and hydrophilic properties contribute to the arrangement of molecules in a membrane.		
		a. hydrophilic is attracted to/soluble in water and hydrophobic not attracted/insoluble ✓ b. hydrophilic phosphate/head and hydrophobic hydrocarbon/tail in <u>phospholipids</u> ✓ c. <u>phospholipid bilayer</u> in water/in membranes ✓ d. hydrophilic heads «of phospholipids» face outwards/are on surface ✓ e. hydrophobic tails «of phospholipids» face inwards/are inside/are in core ✓ f. cholesterol is «mainly» hydrophobic/amphipathic so is located among phospholipids/in hydrophobic region of membrane ✓ g. some amino acids are hydrophilic and some are hydrophobic ✓ h. hydrophobic «amino acids/regions of» proteins in phospholipid bilayer «core» ✓ i. hydrophilic «amino acids/regions of» proteins are on the membrane surface ✓ j. <u>integral proteins</u> are embedded in membranes due to hydrophobic properties/region OR <u>transmembrane</u> proteins have a hydrophobic middle region and hydrophilic ends ✓ k. <u>peripheral proteins</u> are on the membrane surface/among phosphate heads due to being «entirely» hydrophilic OR «carbohydrate» part of <u>glycoproteins</u> is hydrophilic so is outside the membrane ✓ l. pore of <u>channel proteins</u> is hydrophilic ✓	Allow mark points shown in clearly annotated diagram. In any part of the answer, accept polar instead of hydrophilic and non-polar or apolar instead of hydrophobic.	7 max

9 - (BIOLO/20_HL_Winter_2019_Q4) - Cell Biology, Metabolism, cell Respiration & Photosynthesis (ahl)

a	i		have both a hydrophilic and a hydrophobic region OR have both a polar and a non-polar region ✓		1
	ii		they have a double bond between <u>carbon/C</u> «atoms» OR they could hold more <u>hydrogen</u> ✓	Accept clearly annotated diagrams to that effect. Do not accept double bonds between C and any other atom.	1
b	i		photolysis / light-dependent «reactions/stages» / photophosphorylation ✓		1
	ii	a	water is split/broken «up»/lysed/undergoes photolysis ✓	For mpa, reject "water is cut in half".	3 max
		b	producing/providing electrons ✓	For mpa, accept photolysis only if the context shows that water is being split.	
		c	replaces electrons lost by Photosystem II / PSII / P680 / chlorophyll a ✓	For mpc, do not accept just chlorophyll.	
		d	allows electrons «to continue» to pass along the electron transport chain ✓	For mpe, reject pumping of protons into the thylakoid as photolysis produces them inside the thylakoid.	
		e	provides protons/H⁺ «inside thylakoid» to help generate a «proton» gradient/maintain high concentration inside thylakoid ✓		

10 - (BIOLO/21_HL_Summer_2021_Q2) - Cell Biology

a	e. (a loop of) DNA ✓ f. 70S ribosomes ✓ g. double membrane ✓ h. electron transport chains/enzyme complexes in (internal) membranes ✓ i. enzymes in a region of fluid/in stroma and matrix ✓ - large area of (internal) membrane/cristae and thylakoids ✓	Only two answers should be marked – the first on each line. Do not award marks for functions rather than structures, for example ATP production. Allow spaces inside cristae and thylakoids for mpf.	2 max
b	a. ATP produced by both / ADP used by both ✓ b. oxygen produced by chloroplasts and used by mitochondria ✓ c. carbon dioxide produced by mitochondria and used by chloroplasts ✓ d. carbon/organic compounds built up in chloroplasts/anabolism and broken down in mitochondria/catabolism ✓	Do not award mpd for statements about carbohydrates or glucose (because the pyruvate used by mitochondria is not a carbohydrate)	2 max
c	a. in phloem ✓ b. loading into sieve tubes/by active transport/by cotransport/by companion cells ✓ c. entry of water (to phloem) by osmosis/because of high solute concentration ✓ d. causes high/hydrostatic pressure ✓ e. flow from high pressure to lower pressure down pressure gradient ✓ - from source to sink ✓	Do not award mpa if xylem included with phloem. Do not award a mark solely for mentioning the term 'translocation'.	3 max

11 - (BIOLO/22_HL_Summer_2021_Q2) - Cell Biology, Molecular Biology, Human Physiology

a	i	hydrophilic end of phospholipid shown ✓	For 2 a, i, ii and iii, accept letters written on the structure even if a line is not drawn. Award the mark if the full word is used to label the structure. Labels must be unambiguous.	1
a	ii	an exocytic vesicle shown ✓	Accept any of the three intact circles or the exocytosis shown within the box.	1
a	iii	any receptor protein on post synaptic membrane marked ✓	Must unambiguously be pointed to a receptor on the synapse side. Accept labels of acetylcholinesterase.	1
b		a. (local depolarization) causes ion / sodium / voltage gated channels to open ✓ b. altering membrane permeability to sodium ions/Na⁺/positive ions / Na⁺ diffuses into the cytoplasm ✓ c. membrane potential (of the axon) changes from negative to positive ✓ d. a threshold potential is reached and an action potential is generated ✓	Do not accept sodium pumps. Mp b requires evidence that the student recognizes sodium is an ion. Numerical values indicating change from -70 to +30/+40/+55 can be accepted.	2 max
c		a. acetylcholine binds to the receptor protein ✓ b. (causing a) change in tertiary structure / conformation of protein ✓ c. diffusion/entry of ions / Na⁺ through the receptor/channel protein allowed ✓		2 max
d	i	breaks down acetylcholine (to acetyl and choline) ✓		1
d	ii	a. change in pH can cause a change in the tertiary structure of the enzyme OR enzyme denatured ✓ b. causing a change in the active site / substrate not able to bind ✓ c. the enzyme will not work as efficiently / decreased rate of reaction ✓ d. (may no longer be) the optimum/optimal pH for enzyme activity ✓	Allow answer in the form of a graph.	3 max

12 - (BIOLO/22_HL_Summer_2021_Q5) - Cell Biology, Genetics, Human Physiology

a	a. unlinked genes are on different chromosomes / vice versa ✓ b. unlinked alleles migrate/segregate/are inherited independently (during meiosis) / vice versa ✓ c. (In unlinked inheritance) there is an equal chance for all 4 options to occur / AB, Ab, aB, ab / vice versa ✓ d. (dihybrid crosses involving) linked genes do not produce Mendelian ratios ✓ e. (excluding recombinants) there is a 1:1 chance of inheriting the different options/AB or ab ✓ f. in linked characteristics alleles might not migrate together if there is crossing over/ recombinants are formed ✓ g. crossing over occurs in prophase I of meiosis ✓ h. when the sister chromatids migrate in meiosis II the characteristics forming gametes are different/Ab, aB ✓ i. formation of recombinants causes changes in ratio/probability of inheritance/genetic variation ✓ j. correct named example of inheritance of linked/unlinked characteristics ✓ k. Punnett/paired diagrams of both unlinked and linked characteristics ✓ l. genes which are linked but are far apart on the chromosome can display independent assortment ✓	Mp a could be awarded from an annotated diagram Allow annotated diagram of inheritance / could be shown in a Punnett square. Allow annotated diagram of linked inheritance for mp f. For mp k, accept sex linked examples involving two genes. If the student interprets the question as sex-linked and autosomal inheritance, look for WTTE marks from the scheme.	7 max
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b	a. germinal epithelium divide endlessly (by mitosis giving rise to spermatogonia) b. spermatogonia are diploid/2n ✓ c. spermatogonia divide by mitosis / provide a continuous supply throughout adult life ✓ d. (some) spermatogonia enlarge forming primary spermatocytes ✓ e. primary spermatocytes undergo the first division of meiosis/meiosis I ✓ f. secondary spermatocytes produced are haploid/n ✓ g. secondary spermatocytes undergo the second division of meiosis (to produce spermatids) ✓ h. spermatids develop tails OR spermatids differentiate into spermatozoa / spermatids associate with Sertoli cells ✓	Marks can be awarded to an annotated diagram. Do not accept sperm or spermatozoa as equivalent to spermatogonia or spermatocytes.	4 max
c	a. nucleus/nuclear membrane ✓ b. membrane bound organelles ✓ c. mitochondria ✓ d. rough ER/smooth ER/golgi apparatus ✓ e. lysosomes / centrioles ✓ f. large/80S ribosomes / ribosomes attached to a membrane ✓ g. linear chromosomes / histones ✓		4 max

13 - (BIOLO/20_HL_Winter_2021_Q3) - Cell Biology, Human Physiology

a	cells absorb water by <u>osmosis</u> and swell/increase in volume OR cells burst/lyse;		1
b	leukemia/other diseases of the hematopoietic system / skin burns;		1 max
c	- a depolarization of part of axon/membrane triggers/causes depolarization of next part; - b local currents; - c diffusion of sodium ions between depolarized part and next/polarized part (of axon); - d resting potential reduced/polarization of membrane becomes less /change from -70 to -50mV; - e sodium channels open when -50mV/threshold potential reached; - f entry of sodium ions causes depolarization; - g saltatory conduction in myelinated neurons/axons;	Allow answers in an annotated diagram	3 max

14 - (BIOLO/21_HL_Summer_2022_Q7) - Cell Biology, Animal Physiology (ahl), Metabolism, cell Respiration & Photosynthesis (ahl)

a	a. unspecialized/undifferentiated stem cells can divide/differentiate along different pathways; b. (stem cells are accessible as they) come from embryos/bone marrow/umbilical cord blood/adult tissue; c. (stem cells) can regenerate/repair/regrow diseased/damaged tissues in people; d. valid specific example; e. drugs can be tested on stem cells (in laboratories to see if they are harmful);		3 max
b	a. mice/rabbit/small mammal injected with one type of antigen; b. cells from the spleen/antibody-producing cells are removed; c. plasma cells that produce antibodies (are used); d. myeloma/tumor cells that divide endlessly (are used); e. fusion of plasma cells with tumor/myeloma cells / fusion produces hybridoma cells; f. selection of hybridoma cells / medium used that only allows growth of hybridoma cells; g. fused cells/hybridoma cells are cultured/grown in tissue culture/grown in a fermenter; h. (hybridoma) cells divide endlessly and produce the desired antibodies;		5 max
c	a. electron transport chain performs chemiosmosis / chemiosmosis generates ATP; b. receives energy/electrons from oxidation reactions/from Krebs cycle/glycolysis; c. receives electrons from reduced NAD/NADH/reduced FAD/FADH; d. energy released as electrons pass from carrier to carrier (in the chain); e. release of energy (from electron flow) coupled to proton pumping; f. protons pumped into intermembrane space; g. creates proton gradient; h. protons diffuse back/move down the concentration gradient (across membrane); i. protons pass through ATP synthase; j. protons return to the matrix; k. flow of protons provides energy for generating ATP; l. electrons transferred to oxygen at end of electron transport chain;		7 max

15 - (BIOLO/22_HL_Summer_2022_Q2) - Cell Biology

	a	i	a. anaphase; b. the (replicated) chromosomes/chromatids are separating/moving to opposite poles of the cell;	OWTTE	2
	a	ii	50 μm = 27/28/29 mm, Y = 8/9/10 mm OR 50 x 9 /27 OR 16.7 μm (accept answers in the range of 14.8 μm to 17.2 μm)	Award [1] for correct ratios not precise measurements in the work or [1] for correct answer with correct unit	1 max
	a	iii	a. (group of regulatory proteins that) control/regulate the cell cycle; b. activate cyclin-dependent kinases (which control cell cycle processes);		1 max
	b	i	a. prokaryotes (usually) have one chromosome while eukaryotes have numerous chromosomes; b. prokaryotes have a circular chromosome while eukaryotes have linear ones; c. eukaryotes' chromosomes are associated with histones/proteins but prokaryotes/Eubacteria have naked DNA vs eukaryote DNA associated to proteins/histones;	Accept only differences. Differentiating terms expected;	2 max
	b	ii	a. Cairns grew prokaryotes/ <i>E. coli</i> in radioactive thymidine/thymine/thymine containing tritium; b. contents of cell put on photographic film/surface (for several weeks) / used autoradiography and electron microscopes; c. measured the length of the DNA molecule and photographed it / produced image of DNA; d. could show the new strands were all labelled with thymidine/thymine;		2 max

16 - (BIOLO/20_HL_Winter_2022_Q6) - Cell Biology, Human Physiology

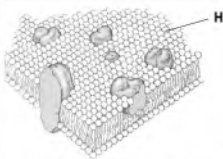
	a		a. growth/increase in cell size; b. division of mitochondria/chloroplasts/production of more organelles/number of organelles doubled; c. replication of DNA/amount of DNA is doubled; d. transcription of genes/production of mRNA; e. protein synthesis; f. cell respiration/production of ATP;	Allow organelles 'replicated' for mpb	4 max
	b		a. sodium ions/ Na^+ enter/diffuse in; b. depolarization/membrane potential/voltage changes from negative to positive; c. potassium channels open AND potassium ions/ K^+ exit/diffuse out; d. repolarization/membrane potential/voltage changes back from positive to negative; e. local current due to diffusion of sodium ions along the neuron; f. (local currents) cause next sodium channels to open/next part of axon to depolarize; g. opening of sodium channels triggered when threshold potential/-50mV reached;	Do not award mpa for sodium being pumped in (rather than diffusing). Allow mpc with ECF if direction of both sodium and potassium is wrong, or if both movements are described as pumping.	4 max
	c		a. (specific immune response is) production of antibodies in response to a particular pathogen; b. antibody is specific to/binds to a specific antigen; c. macrophages/phagocytes engulf/present antigens from pathogens/viruses/bacteria; d. T lymphocytes activated by antigens/antigen presentation/antigens presented by macrophage; e. (activated) T lymphocytes activate B lymphocytes; f. only B lymphocytes that produce antibodies against the antigen/pathogen are activated; g. (activated) B lymphocytes clone/divide by mitosis to form plasma cells; h. plasma cells then secrete (large quantity) of an antibody/secrete antibodies of same type; i. some B lymphocytes/plasma cells form memory cells; j. memory cells give long lasting immunity/faster response to a disease/pathogen;	Accept B and T cells instead of B and T lymphocytes	7 max

17 - (BIOLO/22_HL_Summer_2023_Q6) - Cell Biology, Animal Physiology (ahl), Ecology

	a		a. cell cycle is (repeated) sequence of cytokinesis/cell division, (then) interphase (then) mitosis / cell cycle includes the sequence of interphase, mitosis and cytokinesis/cell division (to form new cells which repeat the cycle); b. <u>cyclins</u> control/regulate this cycle / ensure the cell moves on to the next stage of the cycle when it is appropriate; c. extra cells produced when they are needed; d. tumour formation is the result of uncontrolled cell division/ cells growing and dividing endlessly; e. repeated mitoses/high mitotic index; f. due to mutations in <u>oncogenes</u> / <u>oncogenes</u> may become active and contribute to the development of a cancer cell; g. carcinogens/radiation/mutagenic chemicals/mutagens/smoking cause mutations/tumours;		4 max
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b	a. right atrium collects (deoxygenated) blood from the body; b. blood drains into atrium through/from the vena cava; c. deoxygenated blood present in vena cava/right atrium/right ventricle; d. right atrium pumps blood into the right ventricle; e. during atrial systole/ventricular diastole/at the start of the cardiac cycle; f. sinoatrial node is in the right atrium/sinoatrial node acts as the (natural) pacemaker / sinoatrial node initiates the heartbeat; g. SA node sends out electrical signal to stimulate contraction in the (walls of the) atria/then propagated to the AV node / (walls of the) ventricles;		4 max
c	a. photosynthesis uses carbon dioxide / reduces carbon dioxide concentration of the atmosphere; b. autotrophs/plants/cyanobacteria convert/fix carbon dioxide into carbon/organic compounds; c. cell respiration produces/releases carbon dioxide; d. glucose/carbon/organic compounds oxidised/broken down to produce/release carbon dioxide; e. carbon dioxide released from aerobic (cell) respiration <u>AND</u> anaerobic respiration in yeast/plants (but not animals); f. carbon dioxide released from saprotrophs/detritivores/decomposers from dead organic matter / during decay/decomposition/respiration; g. (partially) decomposed organic matter can lead to the formation of peat / fossilized organic matter (coal/oil/natural gas) h. carbon dioxide released when carbon/organic compounds burn / during combustion (of biomass/fossil fuels) / forest fires; i. carbon dioxide dissolves in aquatic ecosystems / can form carbonic acid/hydrogen carbonate ions; j. reef-building corals/molluscs use calcium carbonate to make/build shells/exoskeletons or other body parts; k. hard parts/shells/exoskeletons / precipitation of calcium carbonate to form limestone/tufa;	Clear annotated diagrams with correct direction of arrows are accepted.	7 max

18 - (BIOLO/21_HL_Summer_2024_Q2) - Cell Biology

a	 [Source: Martin, L., 2022. Discovering the Structure of the Plasma Membrane. [online] Available at: https://archive.org/details/cnx-org-col10470/page/n19/mode/2up [Accessed 13 April 2023]. Source adapted.]	Label on any phospholipid head.	1
b	<u>proteins</u> in the phospholipid bilayer/embedded versus sandwich of phospholipids and <u>proteins</u> /proteins on outside/ <u>proteins</u> on top and bottom of membrane (in Davson-Danielli);		1
c	a. active transport / ATP used/hydrolyzed to provide energy for pumping/conformation change; b. transfers across membrane against concentration gradient / creates concentration gradient; c. sodium ions/Na^+ out and potassium ions/K^+ in; d. in axons; e. creates a resting potential/membrane potential so that action potentials can take place;	b. Reject 'across the concentration gradient.	3 max

19 - (BIOLO/21_HL_Summer_2024_Q3) - Cell Biology, Plant Biology (ahl)

a	i	anaphase / anaphase I;	Do not accept anaphase II.	1
a	ii	anther/stamen;	Mark the first answer given. Do not allow filament.	1
b		a. pollination is the transfer of pollen from <u>anther/stamen</u> to <u>stigma</u> ; b. fertilization is the fusion of male and female gametes / fusion of gametes to form a zygote/diploid cell;		2
c	i	cotyledon 		1
c	ii	a. contains food reserves/food store/nutrients/protein/carbohydrate; b. used during <u>germination</u> ; c. used for growth of the embryo (plant) / for root development / for shoot development;		2 max

20 - (BIOLO/22_HL_Summer_2024_Q8) - Cell Biology, Human Physiology

a		a. capsule; b. cell wall; c. plasma membrane; d. cytoplasm; e. <u>70s</u> ribosomes; f. nucleoid area/ <u>naked</u> DNA; g. plasmids; h. pilli/flagella;	Drawing should be clearly drawn and labelled. Mpb. Cell wall must be thicker than cell membrane. Mph. Pilli shorter than flagellum. Max 2 if an eukaryote cell is drawn (presence of labelled nucleus/mitochondria/chloroplasts/lysosomes), or if drawing does not clearly show a bacterium, but 2 unique prokaryotic features are correctly labelled (capsule, 70s ribosomes, nucleoid/naked DNA, plasmids, pilli/flagella).	4 max
b		a. skin acts as a physical barrier to the entrance of bacteria / acidic/low pH of skin inhibits growth of bacteria/pathogens; b. mucous membranes produce mucus that trap bacteria; c. acid in the stomach can kill bacteria; d. lysozymes in tears/saliva can kill bacteria; e. cuts in the skin use clots as a barrier; f. clotting factors are released from platelets (in the blood); g. prothrombin (in the blood) is converted to thrombin / thrombin becomes activated OR thrombin promotes the conversion of fibrinogen to fibrin OR fibrin helps to form the clot / insoluble fibrin forms a net trapping cells to form the clot;	Mpa. OWTTE.	3 max

c	a. antigens found on (outer) surface of pathogens/bacteria; b. macrophages/phagocytes/phagocytic white blood cells engulf pathogens and display their antigens; c. T-lymphocytes/T-cells (specific to the antigen) become activated (by the macrophage); d. (activated) T-lymphocytes/T cells activate B-lymphocytes/cells; e. (activated) B-lymphocytes/B cells multiply/divide by mitosis; f. to form (clones) of plasma cells; g. and memory cells; h. plasma cells secrete (large quantity of) antibodies; i. antibodies are <u>specific</u> to the antigen; j. antibodies help/aid destroy the pathogens (in different ways); k. memory cells persist and allow rapid future response OR memory cells give long-term immunity; l. memory cells (rapidly) produce the same antibodies when pathogen encountered in the future; m. vaccines contain (specific) antigens of (specific) pathogens/ weakened/inactivated pathogens; n. these antigens trigger immunity in the same way but without causing the disease;	<i>Mpe. Accept clonal selection as alternative to mitosis.</i> <i>Mpl. OWTTE.</i>	8 max
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21 - (BIOLO/2_HL_Winter_2024_Q2) - Cell Biology, Data Analysis, Human Physiology

a	50 000 OR answers between 40 000 and 60 000 with correct working;	1
b	vesicle / secretory granule / zymogen granule / lysosome;	1
c	rough endoplasmic reticulum / rER / RER / ribosomes (attached to ER);	1
d	exocytosis;	1
e	insulin from the beta/β-cells OR glucagon from the alpha/α-cells;	1

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