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for the guidance of teachers

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Paper 31 (Advanced Practical Skills 1), maximum raw mark 40

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Question	Expected	I Answei	ſS						Additional Guidance	Mark
1 (a) (i) Re	cord colou	r of pape	er and pH	for gluco	se and	ethanol.				
MMO collection 2	with refere	ence to g	lucose an	d ethanol ı	record a	colour for e	each;			[1]
	one colou	one colour matches one pH or between two pH values;					Credit ONLY the given pH values	[1]		
	pH	5.2	5.5	5.8	6.1	6.4	6.7		Credit less than/<5.2 with yellow or	[.]
	colours	brown/ orange/	1	pink/ brown	pink/ purple	/violet/lilac/ irgundy/plur	magenta/		more than/>6.7 with purple/AW	
	OR (if no from scale				to gluco	ose and eth	anol two pH va	ues		
(ii) De	cide which	other co	oncentrat	ions to ma	ake and	complete	the table.			
MMO decisions 3	(%) 0 and 50 or 0, 1	•	•	which are	evenly/s	serially spac	ed e.g. 0, 20, 3	30, 40,		[1]
	correct vo	olumes us	sed to dilu	te up to 10	cm ³ AN	ID correct %	6;			[1]
	(tubes list or most co	,			% to mo	ost concentr	ated/highest %		Ignore where 0 is listed	[1]

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(iii) Pre	epare space to record colour of each piece of paper and pH.		
PDO recording 2	single table AND all cells drawn AND %/percent(age) (top or left of data heading only);	headingheadingheading	[1]
	(headings) colour AND pH;	Do not credit if pH/colour in body of table	[1]
MMO collection 2	two different colours for two tubes recorded;	Collection of colour for two tubes. Credit colour differences such as light orange vs orange	[1]
	(collected data/colours or pH) clearly for 1 min(ute)/start and 10 min(utes)/end;	Credit colours only or pH values only – looking for clear collection of 1 minute and 10 minutes Credit for one tube of data for 1 min and 10 min as minimum	[1]
(b) (i) Ide	ntify a significant error – read complete answer for any correct one.		
ACE interpretation 1	judging colour/matching exact colours/colours very close together/pH paper narrow scale/colours not on scale/between colours/identification of colours; idea of timing not the same/different/described; loss of CO ₂ /gas/AW;	Do not credit timing unqualified	[max 1]
(ii) Sta	te degree of uncertainty (of syringes).		
ACE interpretation 1	+/– AND half total division AND cm ³ ;	Error with one reading is +/– half the smallest division with correct units as use syringe to measure single volume and release al contents	[1]

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(c) (i) Plo	t a gra	aph of the data shown.		
PDO layout 4	0	x-axis temp(erature) (/)°C AND y-axis (number/no. of) bubbles/min or per min or min ⁻¹ ;	Do NOT credit bubbles min ¹	[1]
	S	scale as 10°C to 2 cm and 5 to 2 cm; Credit origin other than 0 e.g. 5/10/15 if labelled Credit unlabelled origin only if should be 0	Do not credit S if awkward scale or if less than half grid on y or x axis	[1]
	Ρ	plotting correct points using crosses/dots in circles only; Do not credit if an extra point plotted at 25°C. No cross larger than x or more than one blob larger than o. All plots must be on horizontal lines except for the 4 to 2 cm scale points within a square of the intersection/centre of dot must not touch horizontal lines.	Do not credit P plotting if awkward scale or if only blobs/dots/blobs in circles Do not credit dot with cross Credit x in circles	[1]
	L	line of best fit (no more than 2 points on one side)/points joined with straight line; Quality – line no thicker than 1 mm thick max Complete line should be smooth/not feathery.	Credit line of best fit – no extrapolation Joins point to point no extrapolation beyond first and last points	[1]
(ii) Est	imate	enzyme activity at 25°C.		
ACE interpretation 1	corre min	ect reading using candidate's graph at 25°C AND bubbles per minute or ¹ ;	Credit whole number of bubbles only Credit 0.5 up or down	[1]

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ACE	control of any variable/use a water bath/same type of yeast/same volume of	Credit in either accuracy or reliability	[1]
improvements 1	yeast/keep time the same/stagger the start/have separate experiments/(keep pH same) using buffer;	Do not credit ref to enzymes or amount of yeast	
	Accuracy: collect volume using measuring cylinder/gas syringe/video to count bubbles/AW;	Accuracy: (change method of measuring to obtain results as close as possible to the true value)	[1]
	Reliability 1: increase number or range of temperatures/2 extra named examples;	Reliable: (to have results which are as repeatable as possible)	[1]
	Reliability 2: repeat more/several times/twice/obtain three readings/(at each temp);		[1]
	Reliability 3: calculate mean;	Credit only two reliability marks	[1]
			[max 3]
(d) State w	/ hether you think the hypothesis is supported by the student's results. Expl	ain your answer.	
(d) State w ACE conclusion 2	hypothesis true/yes/OR re-states the hypothesis OR partly true/true but only;	ain your answer. Needs clear statement Do not credit idea that totally wrong	[1]
ACE		Needs clear statement	[1] [max 1]
ACE	hypothesis true/yes/OR re-states the hypothesis OR partly true/true but only; Either (true for) 15 to 40°C as increases from 5 to 18/ or any two correct temps within 15 and 40/41 with two correct numbers of bubbles/may have two temps and difference in number of bubbles/calculated	Needs clear statement Do not credit idea that totally wrong	

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2 (a) Draw a	large, low power, plan diagram of qu	arter. Label phloem and xylem in a vas	cular bundle.	
PDO layout 1	clear, sharp, unbroken lines AND no s cannot fit totally within the 6 cm by 6 d			[1]
MMO collection 3	no cells AND outline irregular;			[1]
	clear layer/layers below cortex AND c point of layer below; Ignore epidermis	ortex at widest is thicker than narrowest s (2 lines)		[1]
	at least 3 complete vascular bundles twice length of smallest vascular bund Do not credit if whole section drawn	AND length of largest vascular bundle lle;		[1]
MMO decision	phloem and xylem are labelled on the as shown by candidate;	layer below cortex or a vascular bundle		[1]
(b) (ii) Cal	culate mean width of the cells in mic	rometres. Mark clearly the cells you us	ed. Show your working.	
MMO collection 1	cell(s) marked on Fig 2.2 AND Credit separate or	selected cell(s) measured with mm or cm shown;	Check recorded cell measurements are at or between 0.5 to 5.5 cm or 5 mm to 55 mm Ignore more sig. figs.	[1]
	one line across cells selected	Do not credit if line is not on the fig. Do not credit measurements in metres or micrometres.	OR if single line is drawn check measurement of line is less than 170 mm/ 17 cm	
MMO decision	5 or more complete cells measured;			[1]
	Credit even if not shown on Fig. 2.2. Do not credit if partial cells included.			
PDO display 2	shows any number of measurements divided by number of measurements/		Ignore the answer	[1]

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divides	by 400 and multiplies b	y (cm) 10 000/10 ⁴ or (mm) 1000/10 ³ ;	Mag Actu	cell 2 = $\frac{20 + 2}{2}$ cell 3 = $\frac{20 + 2}{2}$ an = $\frac{20 + 2}{19}$ mm = 19 × 1 = 19 000 g. = ×400	21 mm 17 mm 16 mm 21 mm 21 + 17 + 16 + 21 5 $000 \ \mu m$ 0 $0^{-} = 475$		[1]
(II) Label with a ACE conclusion 1	Fig. 2.3	the area from which section may have be central vascular tissue	Cre vas	cular tissue a	between bracke nd end of label l ngitudinal sectio	ine for root cap	[1]

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• •	large labelled drawing of cell with a nucleus.	3 complete c	ells which ar	e touching, include at		
PDO layout 1	clear, sharp, AND unbroken lines Ignore cell walls crossing over as cells appear to overlap.	no shading Ignore nucle Do not credit cytoplasm of walls.		cannot fit totally into the 6 cm by 6 cm grid;		
MMO collection 1	AND		plete cells touching; onal incomplete cells.			
PDO recording 1	2 nuclei each drawn near Nucleus not in centre of ce Do not credit if additional o plasmodesmata have bee	ell. detailed organ				
MMO decisions 2	space between outer wall and cytoplasm shown in part of two cells;					
	Ignore labelling.					
	nucleus and cell wall correctly labelled;					
	Do not credit nucleolus.					

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PDO recording 1	organise as a table/ Venn diagram/ ruled connected boxes	headed	comparative stateme opposite each other;	nts	[1]
ACE interpretation 3	feature nuclei Ignore ref. to nuclear membrane/size chromosomes/dividing cells/mitosis/anaphase interphase cytoplasm/ plasma membrane size/ number of cells Credit more (tightly packed)	Fig. 2.2 few/less distinct/less stained present fewer in interphase more/fills cells not visible/pulled away smaller/calculated mean/ecf/more	Fig. 2.4 more/dense/obvious/ more stained; not visible all in interphase; less/does not fill cells/ visible/pulled away; larger/calculated more than Fig 2.2/fewer;		[max
	shape of cells (Intercellular) spaces/gaps	have oval/corners/angular/h exagonal fewer/more/larger; Credit either way	rounded/AW;		