



Mark schemes

Q1.

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|-----|---|---|
| (a) | A | 1 |
| (b) | D | 1 |
| (c) | liver | 1 |
| (d) | glycogen | 1 |
| (e) | 2.6

<i>allow answers in the range 2.5 to 2.7</i> | 1 |
| | 7.6 (mmol/dm ³)

<i>allow a correctly calculated value using student's value from graph + 5</i> | 1 |
| (f) | 30 (minutes)

<i>allow ½-hour or 0.5 hour</i> | 1 |
| (g) | points too far apart
or
no reading between 30 and 50 mins

<i>allow no reading at 40 mins</i>
or
points joined by straight lines
or
values could have fallen to zero change before 50 mins

<i>allow not a curve of best fit</i> | 1 |
| (h) | higher values of y than given line | 1 |
| | returning to(wards) zero change later than given line | 1 |

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Q2.

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|-----|---|---|
| (a) | response / <u>r</u> eaction

<i>ignore examples</i>
<i>ignore action</i> | 1 |
|-----|---|---|



- automatic **or** no thinking **or** not conscious **or** involuntary
ignore reference to brain
ignore quick 1
- (b) receptor (in skin of finger / hand) detects stimulus / temperature change
allow receptor detects heat ignore pain 1
- (electrical) impulses pass along neurones
allow electrical signals pass
along nerve cells
ignore messages 1
- (impulses pass from) sensory to relay to motor neurones 1
- synapse between neurones where chemical crosses gap
allow neurotransmitter / acetylcholine
for chemical
allow by diffusion 1
- (synapses) in spinal cord / CNS
ignore brain 1
- muscle contraction (to pull hand away)
or effector is a muscle 1
- (c) coordination by endocrine system is:
allow converse points if clearly
indicating nervous co-ordination
answers must be comparative
- slower 1
- longer-lasting 1
- (chemical / hormone) via blood instead of electrical / impulse / neurones 1
- (d) FSH (release from pituitary) stimulates maturation of egg / ovum / follicle
ignore reference to days of menstrual cycle
allow FSH stimulates development / growth of egg



- 1
- oestrogen (release from ovary) inhibits FSH production **and** stimulates LH production 1
- LH (release from pituitary) stimulates ovulation
allow LH stimulates release of egg 1
- progesterone (release from ovary) inhibits FSH **and** LH production
allow (release from corpus luteum) 1
- oestrogen **and** progesterone maintain the uterus lining
*allow oestrogen **and** progesterone build up the uterus lining* 1

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Q3.

(a)

$$\frac{1430}{2600} \times 100$$

1

55 (%)

1

(b) (volume) increases

allow (volume) goes up

1

(c) drink (a lot / more)

1

(d) filtration

1

reabsorption

1

excretion

this order only

1

(e) **Level 2:** Scientifically relevant facts, events or processes are identified and given in detail to form an accurate account.

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Level 1: Facts, events or processes are identified and simply stated but their relevance is not clear.

1-2

No relevant content



Indicative content

Advantages of kidney transplant

- no need for regular / long hospital visits **or** is a long-term solution
- flexible lifestyle, such as can go on holidays
- may not live near a hospital **or** reference to transport costs
- no risk of infection from frequent needles / treatment
- less / no need to control diet
- maintains correct concentration of substances in blood / body
- cheaper long term for NHS / hospital

Disadvantages of kidney transplant

- may be rejected
- have to keep taking anti-rejection drugs **or** immunosuppressants
- (suitable) donor may not be available **or** need for tissue matching
- risk from surgery (e.g. anaesthesia or infection)
- recovery from surgery will take a long time
- does not last forever (therefore further surgery needed)

For Level 2, answers must refer to both advantages **and** disadvantages

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Q4.

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|-----|--|------------|
| (a) | protein | 1 |
| (b) | urea is a waste (product)
<i>allow toxic / poisonous or may damage cells or denatures proteins</i>
<i>ignore harmful / dangerous</i> | 1 |
| (c) | <i>in this order</i>

respiration

breathing | 1

1 |
| (d) | <i>in this order</i>

least

medium

most | |



3 correct = 2 marks
1 or 2 correct = 1 mark

- 2
- (e) diffusion 1
- (f) protein 1
- (molecules too) large
this mark may only be awarded if mp1 is correct or not attempted
allow pores in membrane are too small 1
- (g) 3
allow three 1
- (h) increases
ignore numbers 1
- (i) any **two** from:
allow converse points for person A / dialysis
- has a low(er) concentration of urea
 - constant urea concentration / level
allow substance (if named must be correct)
 - less time attached to machine **or** fewer hospital visits
 - no / less restriction on travel
 - not piercing skin repeatedly
 - less chance of infection / blood clots
 - cheaper in the long term
ignore cheaper unqualified
 - no restrictions on diet
- 2

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Q5.

- (a) pituitary 1
- (b) ADH 1
- (c)
allow ecf for name of hormone from part (b)
ignore name of gland

high(er) concentration of blood **causes** (more) ADH / hormone



release
*allow low(er) water potential of blood
 causes (more) ADH / hormone release
 allow alternative descriptions in terms of
 – eg low(er) water concentration / level
 or high(er) osmotic pressure or high(er)
 solute concentration / level*

1

(and hormone / ADH causes) increased permeability of kidney tubules (to water)

*allow increased permeability of
 collecting duct / distal convoluted tubule*

1

(so) increased water reabsorption

*allow more water taken back into blood
 ignore reference to urine*

1

(d)

*allow converse if clearly describing
 dialysis
 explanation must match reason*

changes in concentrations / levels of substances / urea are minimised

*allow no change in concentration / level
 of substances / urea
 allow correctly named substances*

1

(so) less / no chance of causing damage to body cells / tissues

*allow eg less / no osmotic stress or not
 poisoned by urea*

1

not repeatedly puncturing skin or blood not in contact with machine

allow blood does not leave the body

1

(so) less / no chance of infection or less / no chance of blood clots or no need to take anti-clotting drugs

*allow less / no chance of
 microorganisms entering body
 allow only one operation so less chance
 of infection for 2 marks
 allow dialysis requires anti-clotting
 drugs and so may lose more blood if cut
 for 2 marks*

1

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Q6.



- (a)
- ignore incorrect organ secreting insulin / glucagon*
- (blood glucose increases after meal causing) insulin secretion
allow (blood glucose increases after meal causing) insulin increase 1
- insulin causes glucose to enter cells / liver / muscles 1
- (insulin causes) glucose conversion to glycogen 1
allow glucose converted to glycogen in cells / liver / muscles for 2 marks
- (so) blood glucose decreases causing glucagon secretion
allow increase in glucagon when blood glucose is low 1
- glucagon causes glycogen to be converted to glucose 1
- (b) cells / liver / muscles absorb less glucose
allow cells / liver / muscles convert less glucose to glycogen
*do **not** accept no absorption / conversion of glucose* 1
- (so) glucose concentration in blood remains high
allow (so) glucose concentration in blood does not decrease 1
- (high blood glucose stimulates / causes) pancreas to release more insulin
allow more insulin is released from pancreas to 'try' to reduce blood glucose 1
- (c) any **three** from:
- age
 - height **and** mass
allow BMI
 - proportion of males and females **or** group size
allow sex of the participants
 - (same) severity of diabetes
 - (same) activity (during investigation)
 - (same) type of meal
 - dose of drug
 - (similar) blood glucose concentrations at start
allow how much / type of food / drink



<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>consumed before</i> other health conditions or other drugs being taken <i>allow may not have followed drug-taking regime beforehand</i> 	<p>3</p>
<p>(d) Mean = 177.2 + 15.4</p>	<p>1</p>
<p>(e) Level 3: A judgement, strongly linked and logically supported by a sufficient range of correct reasons, is given.</p>	<p>5-6</p>
<p>Level 2: Some logically linked reasons are given. There may also be a simple judgement.</p>	<p>3-4</p>
<p>Level 1: Relevant points are made. They are not logically linked.</p>	<p>1-2</p>
<p>No relevant content</p>	<p>0</p>
<p>Indicative content</p>	
<p>Pro:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Met + A gives larger (%) reduction (in blood glucose) than Met alone • so statement is supported • Met + B gives larger (%) reduction (in blood glucose) than Met alone • so statement is supported • Met + A SD does not overlap with Met SD • so difference is significant 	
<p>Con:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Met + B SD overlaps with Met SD • so difference is not significant • difference in results could be due to chance 	
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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • number of people used is not very large • number of people in each group is different • so may not be representative or may not be repeatable / reproducible • so anomalies will have a bigger impact on smaller groups • 30 minute / starting levels of blood glucose are different • all 30 minute / starting levels are higher in the 2-drug trial • so may cause different % reductions 	



- no information about control variables **or** named e.g.
- concentration of drugs not given / may differ
- so results may not be valid

for level 3 an inclusion of a discussion of significance is required

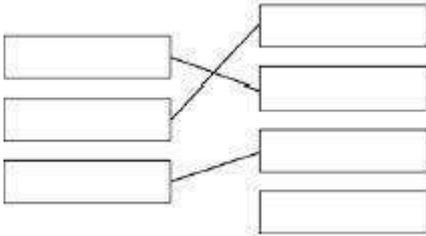
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Q7.

(a) to allow implantation of the embryo 1

(b) oestrogen 1

(c) 13 / 14 / 15 / 16 1
allow any number in range 13 to 16
allow any range within these values e.g. 14-16

(d)  1
extra line from a method cancels the mark

(e) more reliable than diaphragm / spermicidal cream 1
allow fewer pregnancies than diaphragm / spermicidal cream

low chance of pregnancy 1
allow only 1 more pregnancy than the pill (per 100 women per year)
allow almost as good as the pill
allow reference to one named example

no side effects 1
allow easy to get / buy
allow easy to use
allow prevent / reduce spread of STDs / gonorrhoea / HIV
ignore cost



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Q8.

- (a) pancreas 1
- (b) liver 1
- glycogen 1
- in this order*
- (c) would be digested / broken down (by enzymes / protease / pepsin / acid or to amino acids) 1
allow denatured (by acid)
- (d) use of 14.2 **and** 6.8 1
- 7.4 1
allow an answer of 7.2 or 7.3 (using 14.1 and / or 6.9) for 1 mark
an answer of 7.4 scores 2 marks
- (e) any **one** from: 1
- (person A's) results are higher
ignore A peaks at a higher level than B
 - (A) increases for a longer time **or** peaks later
 - (A) takes longer to decrease **or** takes longer to return to normal
allow other correct comparisons
allow a description using pairs of figures from graph at a given time
- allow converse comparisons with person B as the subject*
- (f) a negative correlation 1
- (g) less carbohydrate / sugar / fat in diet 1
allow go on a diet
allow eat less
allow balanced / healthy diet
- or**
lose weight **or** maintain a healthy weight
ignore diet unqualified



1

(more) exercise
allow examples of exercise

1

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Q9.

(a) 2400 **and** 2280
or
500 **and** 380

1

120

1

an answer of 120 scores 2 marks

(b) respiration of glucose

1

(c) (more) sweating

*ignore reference to vasodilation /
vasoconstriction*

1

(because) exercise releases heat

or

need to cool the body

or

need to lose heat

or

need to maintain body temperature

*do **not** accept energy being produced*

1

(d) more energy needed

*do **not** accept energy production*

*do **not** accept energy needed for
respiration*

1

(so) more (aerobic) respiration

1

(so) increased breathing (rate / depth) (to supply oxygen **or** remove
carbon dioxide / water)

1

*'more' does not need to be stated a
second time to gain marking point 1 and
marking point 2*

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Q10.



(a)	A		1
(b)	E		1
(c)	28	<i>allow 27–29</i>	1
(d)	progesterone		1
(e)	any two from:		
	• inhibits FSH production / release		
	• prevents egg maturation	<i>allow prevents egg growth</i>	
	• prevents ovulation	<i>allow prevents egg release</i> <i>ignore prevents egg production</i>	2
(f)	oestrogen		1
	testosterone	<i>allow in this order only</i>	1
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Q11.

(a)	(molecules are) (too) large		1
	cannot pass through (filtration) membrane / (holes in) filter		
	allow 'is not filtered out of the blood'		1
(b)	glucose is reabsorbed	<i>ignore 'is absorbed' unless qualified by 'into blood'</i>	1
	<u>all</u> of it		1
(c)	(molecules / ions) small so pass through filter		
	or		
	not all is reabsorbed	<i>allow the body needs to maintain the right balance of ions and urea in the blood</i> <i>ignore 'are filtered' unqualified</i>	1



more water reabsorbed on a hot day 1

due to more water lost in sweat
'more' needed at least once to gain both marks 1

(d) **Level 3 (5-6 marks):**
 A judgement, strongly linked and logically supported by a sufficient range of correct reasons, is given.

Level 2 (3-4 marks):
 A judgement, supported by some relevant reasons is given.

Level 1 (1-2 marks):
 Relevant points are made. If there is a judgement, this is asserted, but not logically linked to the points made.

No relevant content (0 marks)

Indicative content

pro transplant:

- (dialysis requires repeated treatments to prevent) build-up of toxins **or** to prevent raised blood pressure between sessions
- inconvenience of dialysis, e.g. long sessions of immobility **or** repeated hospital visits
- (dialysis requires restricted diet) to prevent build-up of urea / ions
- there is a greater risk of infection with dialysis e.g. repeated puncturing of skin **or** use of non-sterile equipment allows entry of microorganisms
- there is a risk of blood clots with dialysis
- dialysis more expensive in the long term / 2+ years **or** examples given e.g. 2 yrs dialysis = £60 000 compared with 2 yrs after transplant = (£51 000 + £5 000) = £56 000
- transplant is a long term treatment **or** may remain healthy for many years

con transplant:

- shortage of kidney donors leading to long waiting time
- requires death of another person **or** live donation leaving a person with just one kidney
- exploitation of poor people for donor kidneys (paying for organs)
- need to match tissue type
- rejection – role of wbc's / lymphocytes
- need immunosuppressant drugs – susceptibility to infection
- dangers of surgery – physical damage / infection / brain damage from anaesthetic
- high initial cost – limited funding (either personal or NHS / CCG)

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Q12.

(a) any **three** from:

- a (chemical) messenger
or
an organic substance
allow correct named example – e.g. protein / modified amino acid / catecholamine / steroid
- made by the endocrine system / an endocrine gland / endocrine organ
allow made by / released from a (ductless) gland
- affects (a) specific / target organ(s) / tissue(s)
- released into the blood
allow carried by the blood

3

(b) insulin **and** glucagon

both required for 1 mark correct spelling only for glucagon

1

(c) **Level 2 (3-4 marks):**

Relevant points (reasons / causes) are identified, given in detail and logically linked to form a clear account.

Level 1 (1-2 marks):

Relevant points (reasons / causes) are identified, and there are attempts at logically linking. The resulting account is not fully clear.

No relevant content (0 marks)

Indicative content

- (0–0.5 h:) glucose from meal enters blood
or
increase in blood glucose (to 6.5 mmol / dm³)
- glucose detected by pancreas
- pancreas secretes insulin
- (insulin causes) glucose to move (out of blood) into cells / liver
- liver converts glucose to glycogen
- causing a fall in blood glucose (after 0.5h)
- low blood glucose (< 5.0 mmol / dm³) detected by pancreas
- pancreas releases glucagon
- liver converts glycogen to glucose (which enters blood)
- blood glucose rises (after 1 h **or** to 5.2 mmol / dm³ (at 1.5 h))

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Q13.

(a) liver

1



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|-----|--------------------------------|--------------------------------------|------------|
| (b) | insulin | <i>do not accept glucagon</i> | 1 |
| (c) | kidney | | 1 |
| (d) | to replace water / ions / salt | | 1 |
| | (that is) lost in sweat | | 1 |
| | | | [5] |

Q14.

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|-----|--|--------------------------------|---|
| (a) | A – pituitary | | 1 |
| | B – adrenal | | 1 |
| (b) | ovary | | 1 |
| (c) | diaphragm | <i>allow phonetic spelling</i> | 1 |
| (d) | condom | | 1 |
| (e) | Level 2 (3–4 marks):
A detailed and coherent evaluation is provided which considers a range of advantages and disadvantages and comes to a conclusion consistent with the reasoning. | | |

Level 1 (1–2 marks):
An attempt to describe the advantages and disadvantages is made, which may not come to a conclusion. The logic may be inconsistent at times.

0 marks:
No relevant content.

Indicative content

advantages of the plastic IUD:

- is effective for longer than the copper IUD
- does not need to be replaced as often as the copper IUD
- although the pain of periods are more severe, the pain with the copper IUD is likely to be worse
- can reduce the bleeding during a period
- most of the possible side effects are not serious, eg feeling sick,



acne and headaches.

disadvantages of the plastic IUD:

- needs to be implanted for a period of time before it is effective ie not emergency contraception
- can make the pain of period more severe
- can cause more side effects than the copper IUD
- can cause some more severe side effects such as cysts on the ovaries

an understanding that the side effects are only possible and may not necessarily occur

additional examiner guidance:

- pupils should add value to the points in the table and should not just be copies verbatim
- credit can also be given for other correct advantages and disadvantages from the candidates' own knowledge and understanding
- allow converse points if clearly made

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Q15.

(a) if too high insulin released from pancreas 1

so glucose is moved into cells
allow glucose is stored 1

if too low, glucagon is released (from pancreas) 1

causes glycogen to be converted to glucose and released into the blood 1

(b) type 1 not enough / no insulin produced 1

whereas type 2 cells do not respond to insulin 1

type 1 is treated with injections of insulin 1

whereas type 2 is treated with diet and exercise
or
loss of weight
or
drugs 1

(c) $(3.45 \times 10^6) + (5.49 \times 10^5) = 3.999 \times 10^6$
or
 $3\ 450\ 000 + 549\ 000 = 3\ 999\ 000$



allow 3.999×10^6 **or** 3 999 000 with no working shown for **1** mark

1

$$\frac{3.999 \times 10^6}{6.5 \times 10^7} \times 100$$

or

$$\frac{3\,999\,000}{65\,000\,000} \times 100$$

= 6.15

allow 6.15 with no working shown for **2** marks
allow for **1** mark for a calculation using either:

$$\frac{3.45 \times 10^6}{6.5 \times 10^7}$$

or

$$\frac{3\,450\,000}{65\,000\,000}$$

or

$$\frac{5.49 \times 10^6}{6.5 \times 10^7}$$

or

$$\frac{549\,000}{65\,000\,000}$$

1

6.2

allow 6.2 with no working shown for **3** marks

1

allow ecf from second step correctly rounded for **1** mark

(d) could be other reasons for glucose in urine

or

blood test gives current / immediate result, urine levels might be several hours old

or

not always glucose in urine

1

(e) results not affected by glucose from food

or

8 hours is sufficient time for insulin to have acted on any glucose from food eaten

or

so that there is a low starting point to show the effect

1

(f) (patient **A**)

no mark for identifying **A**



glucose level much higher (than **B**) 1
 and remains high / does not fall 1
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Q16.

(a) Too much thyroxine is released into the blood 1
 which raises BMR 1
 causing increase in formation of glycogen / lipids / proteins
or
 increase in rate of respiration
or
 increase in breakdown of excess proteins 1
 (b) FSH causes eggs to mature and stimulate ovaries to produce oestrogen 1
 LH stimulates the egg to be released 1
 (c) (missing a dose causes a) dip / drop in progesterone levels 1
 (therefore) FSH is not inhibited anymore 1
 (therefore) LH is not inhibited anymore 1
 (and consequently) an egg is matured and released
allow (and consequently) an egg is available to be fertilised 1
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Q17.

(a) (i) follicle stimulating hormone / FSH 1
 (ii) oestrogen 1
 (b) (i) any **one** from:
 • to help them have a baby / get pregnant
ignore to make them fertile
 • to stimulate egg production / release / maturation
 • own levels of FSH / LH / hormone (too) low
allow to increase hormone / FSH / LH levels



do not allow to increase oestrogen levels

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|------|-------------------------|------------|
| | | 1 |
| (ii) | through the bloodstream | 1 |
| (c) | oestrogen | 1 |
| | progesterone | 1 |
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Q18.

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|-----|---|------------|
| (a) | ovary | 1 |
| (b) | 46 | 1 |
| (c) | (i) does not fit the pattern
or
it is higher than the 3 rd value / it should be lower than the 3 rd value / it should be between the 3 rd and 5 th values
<i>do not allow use of incorrect figures</i> | 1 |
| | (ii) As age increases % of women (having a baby) decreases | 1 |
| (d) | (i) 33

$\frac{66}{2}$
<i>allow 1 mark for $\frac{66}{2}$
if no answer / wrong answer</i> | 2 |
| | (ii) low success rate

more likely to have a baby with health problems / abnormalities / a faulty chromosome | 1 |
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Q19.

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|-----|---|---|
| (a) | (i) pancreas | 1 |
| | (ii) Insulin causes glucose to move into cells. | 1 |
| (b) | (i) A | 1 |



- rapid rise **or** fastest 1
- (ii) 2 1
- (c) The pancreas could be rejected. 1
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Q20.

- (a) immune system
- allow white blood cells / lymphocytes*
ignore phagocytes 1
- produces antibodies 1
- (which) attack the antigens on the transplanted organ / pancreas
*allow transplanted organs have foreign antigens at start of explanation **and** linked to attacking the organ* 1
- (b) (i) change / rise detected by the sensor 1
- information used to calculate how much insulin she is going to need (bring her blood glucose back to normal) 1
- (pump delivers) insulin into the blood 1
- (causing) glucose to move into cells
allow (liver) converts glucose to glycogen 1
max 2 if no ref. to artificial pancreas
- (ii) any **one** from: 1
- it is more accurate **or** less chance of human error
 - (glucose) level will remain more stable **or** no big rises and falls in blood sugar levels
 - you don't forget to test and / or inject insulin
 - if ill or in coma insulin is still injected
- ignore continuous and automatic unqualified*
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