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## Advanced GCE A2 H423

## Mark Schemes for the Units

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## F221 Molecules, Blood and Gas Exchange

| Question |  |  | Expected Answers | Marks | Additional Guidance |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 | (a) |  | water first on list and epithelial cell last on list ; amino acid arranged before phospholipid ; phospholipid arranged before enzyme ; | 3 | correct sequence= <br> 1. water <br> 2. amino acid <br> 3. phospholipid <br> 4. enzyme <br> 5. epithelial cell |
|  | (b) | (i) | to prevent the patient being infected / AW; | 1 | ACCEPT prevent entry of bacteria / micro-organisms ACCEPT to stop the spread, of infection / infectious disease <br> DO NOT CREDIT to prevent contamination unqualified DO NOT CREDIT to prevent spread of disease unqualified |
|  |  | (ii) | to make the veins stand out / AW ; | 1 | ACCEPT make the veins more visible or veins easier to see ACCEPT to make the vein protrude <br> DO NOT CREDIT make the vein larger <br> DO NOT CREDIT references to unqualified blood vessels <br> IGNORE make the vein easier to locate or veins can be located or isolate or make them come closer to the surface |
|  |  | (iii) | to prevent too much blood loss ; higher blood pressure in artery / AW ; | 1 max | ACCEPT slows down blood flow ACCEPT reverse argument <br> DO NOT CREDIT reference to stopping blood spurting out |


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| (c) | (i) | monocytes: <br> are larger ; <br> have agranular / clear, cytoplasm <br> have a, (kidney) bean shaped / AW, nucleus; | 2 max | CREDIT reverse argument for example: neutrophil has granular cytoplasm neutrophil has a lobed or round nucleus <br> CREDIT answers given in annotated diagrams <br> DO NOT CREDIT comparisons to red blood cells <br> ACCEPT lymphocyte has less cytoplasm DO NOT CREDIT has a large nucleus unqualified |
|  | (ii) | bone marrow ; | 1 |  |
|  | (iii) | red blood cell becomes a biconcave disc shape ; develops a larger SA to Vol ratio ; | 1 max | DO NOT CREDIT develops a larger surface area, for haemoglobin/ of the erthyrocyte <br> DO NOT CREDIT carries more oxygen / more room for oxygen <br> ACCEPT more room for haemoglobin |
| (d) | (i) | person has an infection / activated immune response / AW ; <br> cancer ; | 1 max | DO NOT CREDIT may have a disease unqualified ACCEPT reference to (a named) infectious disease <br> ACCEPT reference to leukaemia or other cancer |
|  | (ii) | ```recent injury or surgery (tissue damage) ; infection; blood cancer ; autoimmune disease (rheumatoid arthritis) ;``` | 1 max | ACCEPT person has a, wound / cut IGNORE reference to platelet donation |


| Question |  | Expected Answers | Marks | Additional Guidance |
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| (e) | person living, at high altitude / area of low air pressure; <br> use of erythropoietin (EPO) / blood doping; <br> blood cancer ; <br> dehydration ; <br> pregnant ; <br> kidney / heart / lung, disease ; | 1 max |  |  |
|  |  | Total | 13 |  |


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| 2 | (a) |  | epithelium, is a tissue / consists of more than one type of cell ; <br> ciliated cells / cells with cilia; <br> goblet cells ; <br> (on) basement membrane ; <br> QWC ; | $2 \max$ $1$ | IGNORE reference to hairs <br> DO NOT CREDIT cilia without a reference to cell(s) within answer <br> Two terms used and spelt correctly from the emboldened terms |
|  | (b) | (i) | maximum volume of air that can be moved in and out of lungs in one breath ; <br> (vital capacity is) tidal volume + inspiratory reserve volume + expiratory reserve volume ; <br> (vital capacity is) total lung capacity - residual volume ; | 1 max | ACCEPT VC = IRV + TV + ERV <br> ACCEPT VC $=$ TLC -RV |
|  |  | (ii) | volume of air that can be expired in the first second of forced expiration ; | 1 | DO NOT CREDIT the volume, exhaled / expired, in, a single / one, breath |
|  | (c) | (i) | 80; | 2 | Correct answer = 2 marks <br> If final answer is incorrect (not rounded or incorrectly rounded) or missing allow 1 mark for $4.5 \div 5.6$ |



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| (b) | (i) | ```trace I: spikes / peaks / QRS, irregularly, spaced / intervals / AW ; spikes / peaks / QRS, more frequent / AW ; no clear Q / AW ; no clear T / AW ; no clear P / AW ;``` | 3 | Mark first three responses given by the candidate irrespective of line numbers <br> DO NOT CREDIT any references to (heart) beats or the trace as a whole CREDIT reverse argument throughout <br> ACCEPT spaces between QRS is shorter DO NOT CREDIT R peak is not as high |
|  | (ii) | atrial contractions, more frequent / irregular ; ref to insufficient filling time for atria / less blood pushed into ventricles / AW ; <br> correct reference to blood at lower pressure ; less, venous return / blood returned to heart ; | 2 max |  |
|  | (iii) | (inactive prothrombin) means less thrombin is produced ; thrombin is an enzyme ; catalyses conversion of fibrinogen to fibrin / AW ; correct reference to hydrolysis ; <br> low, thrombin / enzyme concentration, limits/slows down the rate of reaction / AW ; <br> less / no, fibrin produced; clot formation takes place at a slower rate ; <br> QWC; | 3 max <br> 1 | CREDIT marking points from a flow chart <br> ACCEPT no thrombin formed <br> IGNORE no mesh formed <br> ACCEPT no clot formed <br> Two terms used and spelt correctly from the emboldened terms |
|  |  | Total | 14 |  |


| Question |  |  | Expected Answers | Marks | Additional Guidance |
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| 4 | (a) | (i) | whole blood; leuco-depleted blood; (packed) erythrocytes ; platelets; clotting factors ; plasma; serum ; | 2 max | DO NOT CREDIT references to leucocytes ACCEPT red blood cells <br> ACCEPT named clotting factors / factor 8 |
|  |  | (ii) | AIDS ; hepatitis C ; hepatitis $B$; | 1 max | ACCEPT HIV ACCEPT Hepatitis |
|  | (b) |  | General <br> 1 reference to making it unsuitable for use ; <br> 2 enzymes denatured, above \& below optimum <br> pH / high temperatures ; <br> 3 hydrogen / ionic, bonds between amino acid, R groups / side chains, break ; <br> 4 tertiary structure / specific shape / shape of active site, altered ; <br> 5 no enzyme-substrate complexes can form / AW ; <br> Temperature <br> 6 temperature of $4^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ slows down rate of enzyme-controlled reactions; <br> 7 freezing would result in the formation of ice crystals that would destroy the cells / AW ; |  | CREDIT reverse argument throughout DO NOT CREDIT statements which refer to proteins unqualified (as question specifically asks for enzyme activity) <br> IGNORE change shape unqualified <br> IGNORE references to enzymes do not work <br> ACCEPT stops enzyme-controlled reactions <br> DO NOT CREDIT blood crystallising |


| Question | Expected Answers | Marks | Additional Guidance |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | pH <br> 8 buffer prevents changes in pH / AW; | 5 max |  |
|  | Total | 8 |  |


| Question |  |  | Expected Answers | Marks | Additional Guidance |
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| 5 | (a) | (i) | vein ; | 1 |  |
|  |  | (i) | (relatively) small lumen, to maintain high blood pressure ; elastic tissue in wall, for stretch / recoil ; <br> smooth muscle, to contract / for vasoconstriction / AW ; thick wall / layer of collagen, to withstand high pressure ; smooth endothelium, to allow blood to flow freely / AW ; | 3 max | Correct function must be linked to the structure for the mark to be credited <br> DO NOT CREDIT reference to elastic (fibres) contracting IGNORE reference to elastic (fibres) expanding <br> ACCEPT smooth inner surface, to allow blood to flow freely / AW ; <br> ACCEPT epithelial layer or epithelium in place of endothelium |
|  | (b) |  | closed; veins; valves; arterioles; capillaries ; | 5 | ACCEPT phonetic spellings throughout <br> ALLOW atrioles |
|  |  |  | Total | 9 |  |



## F222 Growth, Development and Disease

| Question |  |  | Expected Answers | Marks | Additional Guidance |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 | (a) | (i) | Any three from: <br> no effect on weight ; <br> safe / no (side) effects ; <br> same appearance ; <br> same packaging ; <br> same taste; <br> AVP ; eg same formulation other than Rimonabant / AW | 3 | ACCEPT inert <br> ACCEPT example eg must not be allergic to it <br> ACCEPT colour same or looks same Look for idea that the placebo must not be recognisably different <br> ACCEPT content (of capsule) the same |
|  |  | (ii) | increase reliability ; (even if) people drop out ; <br> people vary / AW ; more chance to see (rare) side effects ; increase validity ; ref to statistical significance ; | 2 | DO NOT CREDIT references to accuracy and precision DO NOT CREDIT reliable if given as a list eg 'to increase reliability and accuracy' as it is not clear that the candidate knows the difference. <br> ACCEPT idea of avoiding bias due to other variables ACCEPT idea that small differences are more likely to be detected OR that anomalous results have little effect OR that anomalous results can be identified |



| Quest | Expected Answer | Marks | Additional Guidance |
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| (d) | excessive / AW , cost ; <br> patients may need to keep taking the drug; <br> large numbers of people would need the drug ; <br> named lifestyle changes more effective; <br> people should take responsibility for control of own weight / should not rely on medical intervention alone; <br> named side effects ; <br> AVP ; | 3 max | Look for idea that cost is too great OR very expensive DO NOT CREDIT expensive or cost unqualified <br> ACCEPT idea that they have to keep taking drug or they re-gain weight OR only temporary weight loss OR drug would need to be taken for longer than a year <br> eg Idea that there are lots of potential users <br> eg exercise more OR eat less OR eat less fat OR eat less sugar OR less 'fast food' <br> DO NOT ACCEPT lifestyle unqualified <br> eg a tablet just means that people will just carry on overeating <br> eg leads to depression OR suicidal tendencies <br> eg other medical services could suffer eg alternative drugs may already be available |
|  | Total | 16 |  |


| Question |  |  | Expected Answers | Marks | Additional Guidance |
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| 2 | (a) | (i) | $\frac{\text { weight }}{\text { (height) }^{2}}$ <br> height in m and weight in kg ; | 2 | CREDIT mass instead of weight <br> CREDIT units for weight and height from formula ACCEPT kilos instead of kilograms <br> ' BMI is measured in $\mathrm{kg} \mathrm{m}^{-2 \text { ' }}$ gets both marks |
|  |  | (ii) | (BMI over) 30; | 1 | CREDIT a figure of 30 or above IGNORE units |
|  | (b) | (i) | ```growth patterns vary (between different countries) ; genetic reason for variation (in growth patterns) ; environmental / religious / cultural, reason for variation ;``` | 2 max | eg idea that children grow at different rates in different countries <br> eg idea of different ethnic groups / races <br> DO NOT CREDIT different genes in different countries <br> eg temperature differences between different countries e $g$ different dietary laws regarding eating meat eg different diets OR different food available in different countries <br> DO NOT CREDIT idea that some individuals consume more or less food <br> DO NOT CREDIT any reference to exercise |


| Question |  | Expected Answer | Mark | Additional Guidance |
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|  | (ii) | 19 ; | 1 | CREDIT 18.2-19.9 ACCEPT a range within 18.2-19.9 IGNORE any units |
| (c) |  | calibrate equipment / AW ; <br> repeat measurements ; <br> standardise procedure ; | 3 | IGNORE references to age IGNORE reference to choosing more accurate equipment as they are told in the question that the equipment is standard <br> eg position of feet on stadiometer / make sure they do not have shoes on / measure at same time of day/record data in same way |


| Quest | Expected Answers | Marks | Additional Guidance |
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| (d) | explanation <br> E1 (Type 2 diabetes) is non-insulin dependent ; <br> E2 (usually) mature onset ; <br> E3 target tissues / AW, not responding to insulin ; <br> procedures <br> P4 fasting blood glucose (test) ; <br> P5 overnight fast / described; <br> P6 (then) blood glucose measured ; <br> P7 glucose tolerance (test) ; <br> P8 known quantity of glucose ingested / AW ; <br> P9 repeated / timed, (blood glucose) measurement ; <br> P10 comparison of result to standard levels ; P11 (using) biosensor / described ; <br> P12 AVP ; eg sterility for blood samples eg drink water only when fasting | 7 max | Minimum of 1 mark must come from marking points E1, E2 or E3 <br> CREDIT still producing insulin <br> IGNORE less insulin <br> eg more common in older people / middle age <br> CREDIT named tissue such as liver or muscle OR cells <br> DO NOT CREDIT body is not responding <br> DO NOT CREDIT blood sugar BUT penalise once only eg not eating for $8-12$ hours <br> ACCEPT statement 'measure blood glucose'. <br> DO NOT CREDIT test blood glucose unless it is clear that a concentration is being measured <br> CREDIT OGTT or GTT <br> ACCEPT given amount / mass/ concentration <br> DO NOT CREDIT given volume alone <br> eg take a sample every 30 minutes and test it DO NOT CREDIT times less than 30 minutes <br> ACCEPT use of figures eg finger prick and drop of blood placed on strip / detail of glucose oxidase etc. <br> up to 6 max for procedure |


| Quest | Expected Answers | Marks | Additional Guidance |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | QWC ; | 1 | Look for one named test and the correct sequence of steps for that test eg 4,5 and 6 in order for fasting blood glucose 7,8 and 9 in order for glucose tolerance test |
| (e) | Any two from to evaluate performance of PCTs / hospitals ; to identify at risk groups ; <br> to compare different , regions/countries ; to establish trends / AW ; <br> to target, resources / advice; <br> to increase understanding of weight issues ; | 2 max | IGNORE any reference to advising schools <br> ACCEPT to see if hospitals are meeting their targets eg to see at what age obesity becomes a problem <br> eg to compare different areas or towns eg if obesity levels are changing over time <br> eg educate OR support OR advise group who are more at risk eg educate food industry OR parents of obese children <br> eg research or study risk factors affecting obesity |
|  | Total | 19 |  |


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| 3 | (a) |  | B - metaphase (2) ; <br> C - anaphase (2) ; | 2 | DO NOT CREDIT telophase as daughter chromosomes are not at poles <br> IGNORE ref to 1 or 2 as they are told it is meiosis 2 in the stem |
|  | (b) | (i) | prophase (1) ; | 1 | DO NOT CREDIT letters from diagram as these refer to meiosis 2 <br> IGNORE ref to 1 or 2 |
|  |  | (ii) | two chromatids drawn (on the chromosome) ; centromere labelled and in correct position ; <br> one long arm with section shaded / coloured; | 3 | DO NOT CREDIT centromere mark unless the chromatids above and below it are of different lengths. <br> ACCEPT correct shading on either of the long arms MORE THAN ONE CHROMOSOME IS DRAWN $=0$ |
|  | (c) |  | halves chromosome number / AW ; <br> produces haploid gametes ; <br> (so) chromosome number maintained (between generations) ; <br> (after) fertilisation ; <br> (source of ) genetic variation ; <br> mechanism example ; | 3 | eg produces cells with 23 chromosomes OR 1 of each pair OR 2n to n <br> ACCEPT sex cells / sperm / egg cell <br> DO NOT CREDIT cells alone <br> ACCEPT idea that it prevents doubling of chromosome number <br> DO NOT CREDIT variation alone . Look for the idea of genetic variation ACCEPT crossing over / independent assortment |
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|  |  |  | Total | 9 |  |



| Question |  | Expected Answers | Marks | Additional Guidance |
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|  |  | QWC ; | 1 | Look for the sequence (mp 2, followed by mp 4 or 5 or 6, followed by mp 10) <br> If a marking point has been attempted in the correct sequence but not awarded, the QWC can still be given. |
| (b) |  | more mutations; <br> immune system declines (with ageing) ; <br> mutated / AW , cells <br> not , detected /destroyed ; <br> DNA proof reading not as efficient ; <br> longer exposure to , mutagens / carcinogens ; | 2 max | IGNORE references to oestrogen <br> CREDIT either increase in number or increase in frequency eg mutations have happened more often ACCEPT weakened <br> CREDIT idea that P53 not functioning properly <br> CREDIT named carcinogens eg smoking |
| (c) | (i) | X-rays cause (more) mutation / AW ; | 1 | ACCEPT $X$ rays can cause cancer |
|  | (ii) | any two from PET scans; MRI scan ; ultrasound ; thermography ; | 2 max | DO NOT CREDIT mammography as this uses X rays DO NOT CREDIT CT/ CAT scan DO NOT CREDIT examining breasts for lumps |
|  |  | Total | 15 |  |



| Question |  | Expected Answer | Marks | Additional Guidance |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| (c) | (i) | A - (hyper)variable region / (antigen) binding site ; <br> B - light (polypeptide) chain ; <br> C - heavy (polypeptide) chain ; <br> D - constant region ; <br> E - hinge (region) ; | 5 | DO NOT CREDIT short or long chain <br> ACCEPT disulphide hinge <br> DO NOT CREDIT disulphide bond /bridge |
|  | (ii) | (pathogens have) different antigens ; <br> (antibodies are) specific (to different <br> pathogens / antigens) ; <br> (hyper)variable region shape / tertiary structure, varies; <br> (because) amino acid sequences / primary structure can vary; <br> (antibody and antigen have) complementary shapes; | 3 max | DO NOT CREDIT diseases have different antigens <br> look for idea of shape varying between antibodies <br> DO NOT CREDIT antibody shape changes <br> ACCEPT antibody fits antigen <br> DO NOT CREDIT antibody has same shape as antigen |
| (d) |  | any one from <br> concerns about, who has access to information ; discrimination, qualified; <br> concern about effect on partner ; <br> concern about unborn child ; | 1 max | DO NOT ACCEPT 'she might not want to know' unless a reason is given eg embarrassed about people finding out <br> eg by insurance companies / employer <br> eg might have passed it on / caught it from / be abandoned by partner eg might have to consider abortion <br> DO NOT CREDIT worried that it may be passed on to the baby - the question is about testing for HIV |
|  |  | Total | 17 |  |


| Question |  | Expected Answers | Marks | Additional Guidance |
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| 6 | (a) | ```eukaryotic ; circular ; organelles; mitochondria / nucleus / lysosome / chloroplast / RER / SER / golgi / vesicles/vacuole/centrosome ;; cellulose ; flagellum / mesosome / pilus / capsule / plasmid ; ;``` | 8 | ACCEPT ring shaped <br> DO NOT CREDIT round <br> two from these rows for gaps 4 and 5 DO NOT ACCEPT ribosomes <br> two from these rows for gaps 7 and 8 ACCEPT pili |
|  | (b) | (antibiotics) have no effect on viruses ; <br> some diseases, caused by viruses / not caused by bacteria; <br> (some bacteria) resistant to antibiotics ; <br> antibiotics used sparingly to prevent resistance developing ; | 3 max | DO NOT CREDIT 'antibiotics are effective against bacteria', as this is given in the question <br> CREDIT named example such as MRSA or mDRTB DO NOT CREDIT some diseases are resistant to antibiotics <br> DO NOT CREDIT some bacteria are immune to antibiotics |
|  |  | Total | 11 |  |


| Question |  | Expected Answers | Marks | Additional Guidance |
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| $\mathbf{7}$ | (a) | (i) | (disease) always present ; <br> in, prevalence pool / population / <br> community / AW ; | (ii) <br> ACCEPT ideas that there are always cases / constantly <br> present |
| sudden increase (within a population); |  |  |  |  |
| in, incidence / mortality ; |  |  |  |  |
| within confined area / AW ; |  |  |  |  |


| Ques | Expected Answers | Marks | Additional Guidance |
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| (c) | any three from <br> isolation (of infected individual); <br> control zones / limit movement / <br> border control / AW ; <br> hygiene regimes / AW ; <br> raise public awareness ; <br> develop / distribute vaccine ; <br> (provide) antivirals ; <br> more epidemiological research ; <br> prevent contact with birds / AW ; <br> culling (domestic birds) / AW ; <br> keeping (domestic) birds inside; <br> ban on poultry movement / imports ; | 3 max | CREDIT idea of shutting schools / cancelling sports fixtures <br> ACCEPT description eg hand washing / use of tissues <br> CREDIT example eg advertising / leaflets <br> CREDIT idea of using a vaccine to increase herd immunity <br> CREDIT for birds or products from birds eg chicken, eggs |
|  | Total | 13 |  |
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## Grade Thresholds

## Advanced GCE Human Biology (H423)

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Unit Threshold Marks

| Unit |  | Maximum <br> Mark | a | b | c | d | $\mathbf{e}$ | $\mathbf{u}$ |
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| F221 | Raw | 60 | 44 | 39 | 34 | 30 | 26 | 0 |
|  | UMS | 90 | 72 | 63 | 54 | 45 | 36 | 0 |
| F222 | Raw | 100 | 70 | 62 | 54 | 47 | 40 | 0 |
|  | UMS | 150 | 120 | 105 | 90 | 75 | 60 | 0 |
| F223 | Raw | 40 | 31 | 28 | 25 | 23 | 21 | 0 |
|  | UMS | 60 | 48 | 42 | 36 | 30 | 24 | 0 |

## Specification Aggregation Results

Overall threshold marks in UMS (ie after conversion of raw marks to uniform marks)

|  | Maximum <br> Mark | A | B | C | D | E | U |
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| H023 | 300 | 240 | 210 | 180 | 150 | 120 | 0 |

The cumulative percentage of candidates awarded each grade was as follows:

|  | A | B | C | D | E | U | Total Number of <br> Candidates |
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| $\mathbf{H 0 2 3}$ | 6.3 | 17.8 | 32.6 | 50.5 | 72.1 | 100 | 0 |

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