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for the guidance of teachers**

**9700 BIOLOGY**

**9700/52**

Paper 5 (Planning, Analysis and Evaluation),  
maximum raw mark 30

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Mark scheme abbreviations:

<b>;</b>	separates marking points
<b>/</b>	alternatives answers for the same point
<b>R</b>	reject
<b>A</b>	accept (for answers correctly cued by the question, or guidance for examiners)
<b>AW</b>	alternative wording (where responses vary more than usual)
<b><u>underline</u></b>	actual word given must be used by candidate (grammatical variants excepted)
<b>max</b>	indicates the maximum number of marks that can be given
<b>ora</b>	or reverse argument
<b>mp</b>	marking point (with relevant number)
<b>ecf</b>	error carried forward
<b>I</b>	ignore
<b>AVP</b>	alternative valid point (examples given as guidance)

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1 (a) (i)	oxygen production / concentration; (light) transmission / absorbance;	<b>A</b> <u>amount</u> <b>R</b> oxygen unqualified <b>A</b> descriptions e.g. reduction in light passing through <b>R</b> light intensity.	[2]
(ii)	2 of: light intensity; carbon dioxide concentration; speed of stirrer; mass of alga (suspension); <u>volume</u> of alga( suspension); distance of light meter from the alga suspension; position of oxygen probe;	<b>A</b> light in terms of distance from lamp / same (wattage) bulb ignore size of container / references to quantities of liquid or water <b>A</b> weight ignore number of cells ignore amount / concentration / quantity for mass or volume	[max 2]
(b) (i)	subtract the transmission (for each wave length) from 100;	<b>A</b> as a formula 100 – transmission (for each wave length) <b>A</b> subtracting the transmission from the transmission without any algae / just water <b>R</b> subtracting the wave length	[1]
(ii)	oxygen concentration;	<i>if more than one given, mark the first</i> <b>A</b> production / volume / amount / quantity / meter reading (ignore rate) <b>R</b> bubbles	[1]
(c)	2 of: 1. ref. to idea of different movement / spread / partitioning in different solvents ; 2. ref. to idea that some pigments are not soluble / less soluble in some solvents ; 3. ref. to the idea that some pigments have the same solubility in solvent 1 ; 4. ref. to second solvent separates pigments that are not separated by solvent 1 ;	<b>A</b> marks on Fig. 1.3 1. <b>A</b> if it is clear that the pigments have not been separated by solvent 1 / clump together 2. <b>A</b> if refer to pigments 1 and 6 or 4 and 5 3. <b>A</b> if refer to 'not knowing' if all the pigments have been found 4. <b>A</b> some pigments are separated more easily in one solvent and others by a different solvent	[max 2]

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(d)	<p>8 of:</p> <p><i>independent variable:</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>ref. to using (a sample) from each type of alga ;</li> <li>ref. to same quantity / amount (of each) ;</li> </ol> <p><i>dependent variables:</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>ref. to observing / measuring / marking / finding the position of the pigments / colours (on the chromatogram) ;</li> </ol> <p><i>procedure:</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>ref. to a method of extracting pigments (from the algae) ;</li> <li>ref. to filtering / centrifuging to remove debris / obtain pigments ;</li> <li>ref. to method of concentrating the extract;</li> <li>ref. to a method of applying sample;</li> <li>ref. to suitable placing in the solvent;</li> <li>ref. to running to a set distance of run;</li> <li>ref. to drying before using second solvent;</li> <li>ref. to running in second solvent at 90° to first run;</li> <li>ref. to covering container (to prevent evaporation);</li> </ol>	<p><i>Ignore reference to leaves for any mp.</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>need idea of water plant / alga</li> <li><b>A</b> in terms of mass / volume of suspension (of algae) not number</li> <li><b>A</b> results / pattern / ref. to Rf values ignore ref. to locating agents, e.g. ninhydrin</li> <li><b>A</b> any idea of grinding / crushing algae (separately or with solvent / use a blender <b>A</b> crushing onto one corner of the paper <b>A</b> boiling / heating with ethanol / solvent</li> <li><b>A</b> extract / supernatant for pigments</li> <li><b>A</b> any method, e.g. evaporating, heating, partitioning with different solvents or (many) spots at the same point / crushing several lots of algae in the same spot</li> <li>e.g. capillary tube / fine or small dropper / fine or small paint brush / pin head <b>A</b> ref. to a small spot <b>R</b> a line or several spots</li> <li>e.g. solvent level below sample / origin. Ignore names of solvent</li> <li>e.g. before solvent front reaches the end / pre-marked line <b>A</b> 'same time' for 2 chromatograms, one for each of the strains of alga. Ignore any specific times</li> <li>ignore diagrams with incorrect orientation</li> <li><b>A</b> air tight container</li> </ol>	

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	<p><i>reliability:</i></p> <p>13. ref. to repeating to compare (chromatograms) / to find anomalies;</p> <p><i>safety (max 1):</i></p> <p>14. ref. to solvents / algae + suitable precaution;</p> <p>15. ref. to safe disposal of solvent;</p>	<p>13. ignore ref. to means unqualified <b>A</b> finding means of Rf values / AW</p> <p>14. e.g. flammable – no naked flames / AW toxic – in fume cupboard / ventilated space / covered containers / gloves / goggles corrosive or allergy to algae / solvents – gloves and goggles Ignore low risk / radiation</p>	[max 8]
(e) (i)	strain <b>B</b> and pigment S / AW;	<b>A</b> spot / dot / number 4	[1]
(ii)	<p>2 of:</p> <p>1. chromatogram for <b>B</b> has a pigment / spot / number 4 missing;</p> <p>2. at about Rf 0.9(1) (in solvent 1);</p> <p>3. the absorption spectrum for <b>B</b> has low(est) absorbance at 490nm;</p> <p>4. the action spectrum for <b>B</b> has low(est) activity at 490nm;</p>	<p><b>ecf</b> for incorrect pigment in (i), mp1, 3 or 4</p> <p>2. <b>A</b> Rf 0.19 / 0.2 ( in solvent 2) <b>A</b> it has the highest Rf in solvent 1 / a low Rf in solvent 2</p> <p>3. <b>A</b> if the range 470 – 530nm is given</p> <p>4. <b>A</b> if the range 490 – 510nm is given. <b>A</b> rate of photosynthesis is low(est) at 490nm</p>	[max 2]
(iii)	<p>1 of:</p> <p>allows the alga to use a greater variety of wave lengths / use blue end of spectrum / short wave length (for photosynthesis); may allow strain <b>A</b> to survive better / photosynthesise in deeper water;</p>	<b>ecf</b> for incorrect pigments <b>R</b> or <b>T</b> in (i)	[1]
		<b>Total:</b>	<b>[20]</b>

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2 (a)	<p>1 × 2 of:  <i>Mark as prose. One mark for the factor, one mark for a suitable method of controlling the factor</i></p> <p>temperature;  keep breeding units in temperature controlled room / incubator / thermostatically-controlled water bath;</p> <p>culture medium for larvae;  ref. to same composition / idea of sufficient ;</p> <p>oxygen (supply / concentration);  ref. to suitable covering / container that allows oxygen / air entry;  pH ;  ref. to using a buffer ;</p>	<p><b>A</b> warm / heat  <b>R</b> air conditioned room</p> <p><b>A</b> food source / nutrient / named food  ignore volume / mass  <b>A</b> ref. to water if in the context of the culture medium</p> <p><b>A</b> air</p>	<p>[1]  [1]</p>
(b)	ref. to a method of magnifying the abdomen;	<p>e.g. microscope / hand lens / binocular / magnifying glass  <b>R</b> telescope / electron microscope</p>	[1]
(c)	offspring are in approximately 9:3:3:1 ratio / correct description	<p><b>A</b> ref. (offspring with) recombinant phenotypes / varieties / types / combinations that are different from either of the parents / four different phenotypes  <b>A</b> named recombinants, e.g. grey and short wings / ebony and long wings / ebony and short wings  <b>A</b> linkage would give 2 phenotypes  <b>R</b> answers that just copy the figures in the table</p>	[1]
(d) (i)	there is no (significant) difference between the observed and expected ratio ;	<p><b>A</b> no (significant) difference from the ratio 1:1:1:1  the null hypothesis must be in terms of 'there is no (significant) difference between....'  ignore any differences are due to chance'</p>	[1]

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(ii)	Offspring phenotype	O	E	$\frac{(O-E)^2}{E}$	1 mark for E column 1 mark for $\frac{(O-E)^2}{E}$ column <b>ecf</b> from E <b>A</b> as fractions ignore number of decimal places 1 mark correct addition to $\chi^2$ to <b>2 decimal</b> places <b>A</b> 1.40 from rounded up figures <b>ecf</b> from $\frac{(O-E)^2}{E}$	[3]
	grey bodies long wings	15	16	0.06		
	grey bodies short wings	19	16	0.56		
	Ebony bodies long wings	13	16	0.56		
	Ebony bodies short wings	17	16;	0.06;		
				$\chi^2 =$ 1.24 (/5);		
(iii)	one less degree of freedom than number of categories ;				<b>A</b> there are four: types of data / types of offspring / phenotypes / rows / (sets of) observations/ categories / (sets of) results/ samples ignore any formula unqualified e.g. 4 – 1	[1]
(iv)	1 of : not significant; results are due to chance ;				ignore references to probability <b>ecf</b> of the candidates calculated chi square <b>R</b> answers which: quantify significance. e.g. more / less significant qualify significance. e.g. 'there is a significant difference between the means' 'it is significant which improves reliability / accuracy / AW'	[max 1]
					<b>Total:</b>	<b>[10]</b>