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**BIOLOGY**

**5090/03**

Paper 3 Practical Test

**May/June 2009**

**1 hour 15 minutes**

Candidates answer on the Question Paper.

Additional Materials: As specified in the Confidential Instructions.

**READ THESE INSTRUCTIONS FIRST**

Write your Centre number, candidate number and name on all work you hand in.

Write in dark blue or black pen.

You may use a pencil for any diagrams, graphs or rough working.

Do not use staples, paper clips, highlighters, glue or correction fluid.

DO **NOT** WRITE IN ANY BARCODES.

Answer **both** questions.

At the end of the examination, fasten all your work securely together.

The number of marks is given in brackets [ ] at the end of each question or part question.

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1 Table 1.1 shows boxes for the full set of adult human teeth (32 in total).

**Table 1.1**

| tooth        | molar |  |  | premolar |  | can-<br>ine | incisor |  |  | can-<br>ine | premolar |  | molar |  |  |
|--------------|-------|--|--|----------|--|-------------|---------|--|--|-------------|----------|--|-------|--|--|
| upper<br>jaw |       |  |  |          |  |             |         |  |  |             |          |  |       |  |  |
| lower<br>jaw |       |  |  |          |  |             |         |  |  |             |          |  |       |  |  |

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Use the mirror provided to observe your own teeth.

**(a) (i)** Count the number of teeth you have and record it below.

Number of teeth ..... [1]

**(ii)** Make a record of your own teeth by putting a 'X' for each tooth present in the appropriate box in Table 1.1. [1]

**(iii)** Explain briefly why the third (last) molars may not be present in teenagers.

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..... [1]

**(iv)** Outline the functions of teeth during the intake of food.

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..... [2]

Dental hygiene is important for healthy gums and teeth.

- Rub the two sterile (unused) cotton buds around the inside of your mouth over your gums and teeth.
- Dip one cotton bud into the sugar provided so that it sticks to the surface of the cotton bud.
- Leave the other cotton bud without sugar.
- Lay both in the shallow dish provided, the one without sugar on the left.
- Add 2 or 3 drops of universal indicator solution to each cotton bud.

- (b) (i) In Table 1.2, record the colour of the indicator solution **immediately** after it was put on to the cotton buds.

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**Table 1.2**

|                          | colour at start | colour after 30 minutes |
|--------------------------|-----------------|-------------------------|
| cotton bud without sugar |                 |                         |
| cotton bud with sugar    |                 |                         |

- Leave the cotton buds in the dish and observe after 30 minutes.

**CONTINUE WITH THE REST OF THE PAPER DURING THIS 30 MINUTES.**

Then, in Table 1.2, record the colours of the indicator solution after it has been on the cotton buds for 30 minutes. [2]

- (ii) Use the colour chart provided to help you explain the observations you have recorded in Table 1.2.

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 ..... [3]

Saliva in the mouth may contain an enzyme, amylase, that acts on the substrate, starch.

- (c) Describe how you could carry out a test to show the presence of

- (i) the substrate,

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- (ii) the product of the action of amylase on starch.

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 ..... [4]

You are provided with amylase and starch solutions in labelled test-tubes.

Read through the following instructions and then carry them out.

- Pour a small amount of amylase solution into two clean test-tubes.
- Carry out the test for the presence of starch in one tube and the test for the product in the other tube.
- Pour a small amount of starch solution into two clean test-tubes.
- Carry out the test for the presence of starch in one tube and the test for the product in the other tube.

**Note:** Make sure that you leave sufficient untested amylase and starch solution to complete the rest of this experiment.

**(d) (i)** Record the results of this first set of tests in Table 1.3 below.

**Table 1.3**

| test                                    |         | test for starch | test for product |
|---|---------|-----------------|------------------|
| first set                               | amylase |                 |                  |
|   | starch  |                 |                  |
| second set<br><b>with salt added</b>    |         |                 |                  |
| second set<br><b>without salt added</b> |         |                 |                  |

Read through the following instructions and carry them out.

- Label a clean test-tube **S**.
- In a large test-tube mix together the remainder of the amylase and starch solutions you were given.
- Shake the mixture and pour half of it into test-tube **S**.
- To this tube (**S**), add 4 drops of sodium chloride (salt) solution.
- Shake both tubes of mixture.
- Using clean test-tubes, test the mixture in tube **S** (with added salt) and the mixture in the other tube (without added salt) for both starch and the product.
- Record your results in Table 1.3. [5]

**(ii)** Suggest explanations for your results recorded in Table 1.3.

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..... [3]

[Total: 22]

**MAKE SURE YOU HAVE COMPLETED Question 1(b)(i) AND (ii).**

- 2** You are provided with three samples of seeds from the same dicotyledonous plant that have been soaked in water and left for 4 days, under different conditions:

**S1** – at 4°C in the dark.

**S2** – at 20°C in the dark.

(These are wrapped in silver foil to ensure that they are still in the dark. Unwrap them only when you are ready to use them.)

**S3** – at 20°C in the light.

**Read through question (a), (b) and (c) before starting.**

- (a)** Use a specimen of each of **S1**, **S2** and **S3** to complete Table 2.1 by making drawings, recording measurements and giving descriptions as appropriate.

**Table 2.1**

| specimen  | labelled drawing | maximum length of sample | description |
|-----------|------------------|--------------------------|-------------|
| <b>S1</b> |                  |                          |             |
| <b>S2</b> |                  |                          |             |
| <b>S3</b> |                  |                          |             |

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(b) Use the information you have been given and your observations of the specimens to suggest explanations for

(i) the differences between **S1** and **S2**,

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(ii) the differences between **S2** and **S3**.

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- Take another of the **S2** seedlings and cut it to remove the root tip (1 cm).
- Mount this tip on a slide without a coverslip or stain.
- Use a hand lens to observe the root tip.

(c) (i) Make a labelled drawing to show any structures that you observe.

[2]

(ii) State the main functions of these structures.

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(d) Fig. 2.1 shows the cells in a section through a root tip. The section has been stained with a stain for deoxyribonucleic acid, DNA.

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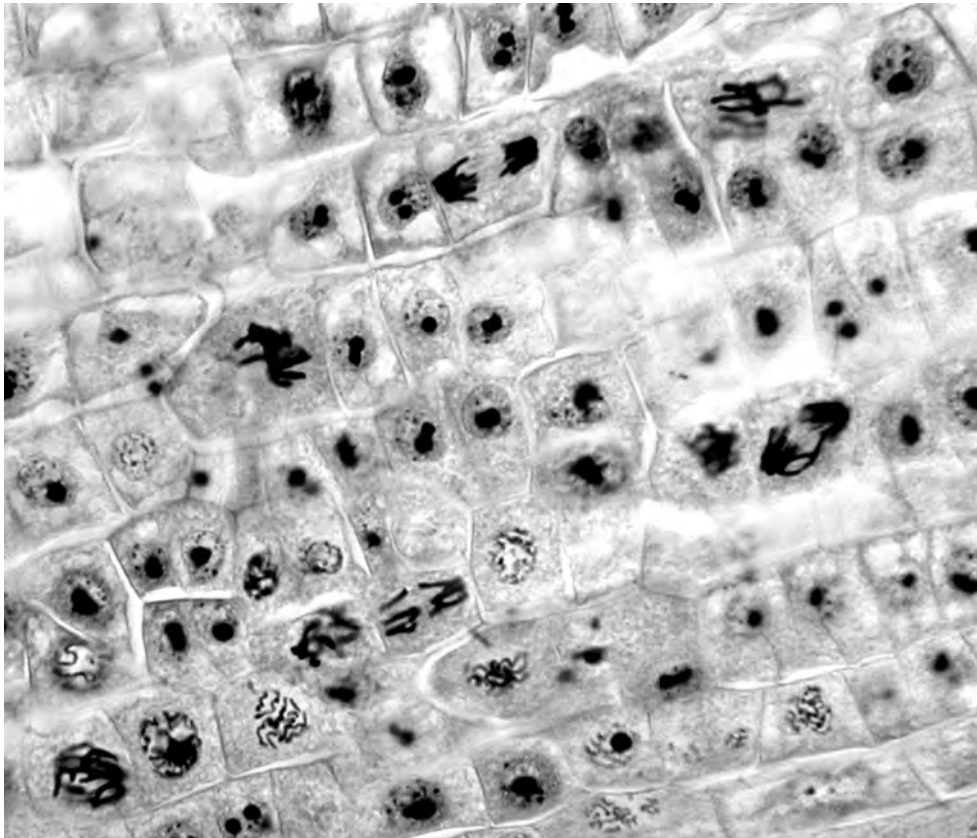


Fig. 2.1

(i) State the type of cell division shown in these cells.

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(ii) Describe how these cells differ from cells found in other parts of the root.

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[Total: 18]

**WHEN YOU HAVE FINISHED PLACE YOUR USED COTTON BUDS IN THE DISINFECTANT PROVIDED.**

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