

The circulatory system

Mark Scheme 6

Level	International A Level
Subject	Biology
Exam Board	CIE
Topic	Transport in mammals
Sub Topic	The circulatory system
Booklet	Theory
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Time Allowed : 40 minutes

Score : / 33

Percentage : /100

Grade Boundaries:

A*	A	B	C	D	E	U
>85%	77.5%	70%	62.5%	57.5%	45%	<45%

- 1 (a) communicable / transmissible / contagious / transferable / AW ;
A passed from one (infected), host / organism / one person, to another
A 'passed on'

caused by, a pathogen / microorganism / *at least two* named types of pathogen ;
A virus, bacterium, fungus, protocist, worm ;
R parasite unqualified by two types

[max 2]

- (b) *Plasmodium falciparum* / *ovale* / *vivax* / *malariae* ;
A phonetic spellings for specific name, A plasmodium
R if specific name first,

[1]

- (c) (i) (only) female feeds on blood / male does not feed on blood ;
female requires blood (protein) for (development of) eggs ;
(only) female carries, pathogen / disease-causing organism / *Plasmodium* / parasite ;
A (only) female transmits the disease
(only) female is vector ; **ora ignore** female carries, the disease / malaria

[max 1]

- (ii) anti-coagulant (in saliva) is passed when mosquito, sucks blood / feeds / bites / takes a blood meal ;
anti-coagulant prevents blood clotting when mosquito, sucks blood / feeds / bites / takes a blood meal ;

[max 1]

- (iii) *in marking accept*
Plasmodium / pathogen / causative organism / malarial organism *where parasite is given below*

short time (in blood plasma)

for exposure to cells of the immune system / AW ;

next stage(s) of life cycle inside cells ;

A sporozoites into merozoites in liver /
merozoites into schizonts in red blood cells

parasite gains, food / energy, from cells ;

parasite, reproduces / multiplies, inside (liver / red blood) cells ;
damage to / bursting of / lysis of / impaired function of, cells ;

(antimalarial) drugs cannot penetrate (liver / red blood) cells ;
parasite, concealed / 'hides', from host immune system ;

A antigen concealment ;

no symptoms, until parasite leaves cells / while parasite is in cells ;
idea that people incubating disease are symptomless ;

A symptomless carriers

idea that treatment unlikely to prevent spread from infected person ;

AVP ; *examples*

different stages provide problems with drug / vaccine development

AVP ; mode of action of potential drugs – block attachment sites on cells

parasite in blood cells allows testing by taking blood samples

further development of any idea given above

[max 2]

(d) if virus / bacterium / disease used instead mark to max 3

in marking accept

Plasmodium / pathogen / causative organism / malarial organism where parasite is given below

distribution described for one mark

either

(mainly in) tropics / between the tropics

or

any **two** named, areas and/or countries, affected ;

e.g. areas (sub-Saharan) Africa, Central America, South America, South Asia, Central Asia, Middle East, Caribbean

e.g. countries India, Sri Lanka, China, Vietnam, Cambodia, Brazil, Kenya

discussion to max four

- 1 (areas where) both parasite, **and**, vector / mosquito / Anopheles, are present ;
- 2 Anopheles / mosquito / vector, survives / breeds / lives, in, hot and humid areas / moist tropical areas ; **ora** A standing / stagnant, water
- 3 parasite, needs to reproduce within the mosquito (at temperatures above 20°C) ;
- 4 eradicated in some countries / any e.g. (USA, Italy) ;
- 5 ref to LEDCs and, poor / non-existent, control programmes ;
A poor health facilities / poor drug supplies / AW
- 6 mosquitoes resistant to, DDT / insecticides / pesticides ;
- 7 parasite resistant to, chloroquine / drugs ;
- 8 link between human population density and *Anopheles* ;
e.g. human activity provides (lots of) breeding sites for *Anopheles*
- 9 occurs where named high risk group(s) exist ;
e.g. refugees, HIV-positive pregnant women (more likely to pass HIV to unbo children), (young) children
- 10 (outside tropics) disease spread by, travellers / tourists / migrants / refugees ;
- 11 AVP ;
most cases / over 90% cases, in (sub-Saharan) Africa
not, at high altitude / in deserts
different species of *Plasmodium* differ in geographical distribution / AW
misdiagnosis (so not reported)
changing pattern linked to, global warming / changes in land use / deforestation / irrigation / other relevant named
R references to sickle cell

[max 4]

[Total: 11]

2 (a) (i) squamous / pavement (epithelial) ; [1]

(ii) stretch / expand, on inspiration and recoil on expiration ; **R** contraction

(stretch) to increases, surface area / volume of air, for, diffusion / gas exchange ;

(recoil) to help, expel air / force air out ; **A** carbon dioxide

A if destroyed then cannot expel air

prevent alveoli, bursting / breaking / AW ;

ref. to emphysema if elastic fibres destroyed ;

[max 2]

(b) *award two marks if correct answer (anything in range 336–346)
allow +/- 1 mm in reading the line (74–76 mm)*

$$75000 \mu\text{m} / 220 \mu\text{m} = 341 ; ;$$

*if answer incorrect, award one mark for correct measurement with unit and division by 220
award one mark if correct answer given to one or more decimal places*

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(c) *look for two ideas – follow usual rules for marking numbered answer lines*

thin, alveolar wall / epithelial lining / AW ;

A short diffusion distance (between air in alveolus and blood in capillary)

A squamous cells are thin

R thin, membrane / cell membrane **R** large surface area

surrounded by, capillaries / capillary network ;

A close contact with, capillaries / blood (vessels / cells)

A many capillaries

A large area of alveolus in contact with, capillaries / blood

[2]

(d) max 3 if no ref. to diffusion

(named) gas(es), diffuse down, pressure gradients / concentration gradient / AW ;

A from high(er) partial pressure to low(er) partial pressure

A high(er) concentration to low(er) concentration

ignore 'along a concentration gradient'

in the answers accept the following AWs

capillaries / haemoglobin for blood

lungs for alveoli

body for tissues

lungs

valid statement linking information in table below – 1 mark for each row

comparison in partial pressure may be 'higher / lower' not both or high and low, but if not then figures have to be given

blood	ref. to gas	blood partial pressure	alveolar air partial pressure	gas exchange
in pulmonary artery / entering alveolar capillaries	pO_2	5.33 / lower	13.87 / higher	into blood from alveolus ;
	pCO_2	6.00 / higher	5.33 / lower	out of blood into alveolus ;

respiring tissue

valid statement linking information in table below – 1 mark for each row

blood	ref. to gas	blood partial pressure	tissue partial pressure	gas exchange
in systemic artery / entering tissue capillaries	pO_2	13.33 / higher	< 5.33 / lower	into tissue from blood ;
	pCO_2	5.33 / lower	> 6.00 / highe	out of tissue into blood ;

[max 4]

R differences between pO_2 and pCO_2 in the same place

[Total: 11]

Question 3

(a)

engulf / remove / breakdown red blood cells ;
haemoglobin broken down ;
into haem and globin ;
iron removed (from haem) ;
remainder passes to liver cells to form bile pigments ;
globin broken down into amino acids ;

4 max

(b)

forms lipoproteins ;
stores fats ;
synthesises cholesterol ;
forms bile salts from cholesterol ;
converts glucose to fats ;
converts fats to fatty acids and glycerol;
converts fats/glycerol to glucose;

3 max

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(c)

diffuses into sinusoids;

dissolved/in solution ;

in blood/ plasma ;

via hepatic vein ;

via renal artery;

2 max

(d)

(i)

less glucose / amino acids / fatty acids and glycerol / nutrients/**more** urea;

1

(ii)

less oxygen / **more** carbon dioxide;

1

Total : 11

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