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BIOLOGY

FOUNDATIONS IN BIOLOGY

Level & Board	OCR (A-LEVEL)	
TOPIC:	CELL STRUCTURE MICROSCOPES	
PAPER TYPE:	SOLUTION - 1	
TOTAL QUESTIONS	8	
TOTAL MARKS	/30	

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Cell Structure and Microscopes - 1

1.

(a)

	laser scanning confocal microscop e	scanning electron microscop e	transmissio n electron microscope
maximum resolution			
image appearanc e		3D	2D
image colour	named colour / coloured	black and white	

(b)

Larger number of organelles Larger nucleus / more DNA

- 2.
- (a) B: can be used with live tissues
- 3.
- (a) The pond community is stable
- (b)

Light Microscope

Graticule

(c) Urea OR Ammonia

(d)

Nitrosomonas nitrite

Nitrobacter nitrate

4.

- (a) $3157 \, \mu m^3 / 3.157 \times 10^3 \, \mu m^3$
- (b) Transmission Electron Microscope

It is because it provides:

2D image

internal details visible

Named organelles / ultrastructure, visible

high magnification

high resolution

OR

Transmission electron microscopy (TEM) is a microscopy technique in which a beam of electrons is transmitted through a specimen to form an image. The specimen is most often an ultrathin section less than 100 nm thick or a suspension on a grid. This is because electrons can have a significantly shorter wavelength (about 100,000 times smaller) than that of visible light when accelerated through a strong electromagnetic field, thus increasing the microscope resolution by several orders of magnitude.

5.

(a)

A = permanent / temporary vacuole

B = nucleolus

(b) 14000 / 1.4 x 10⁴

(c)

No shading / cross hatches Add a scale / magnification Add a title

(d)

Place stain at edge of sample not the centre

Lower cover slip at an angle / use mounted needle

Use blotting paper to, remove excess stain / pull stain through

Use more than one stain to improve contrast

6.

(a) Transmission electron microscope

(b)

M = matrix

N = cristae



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