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Tuesday 23 May 2023

Afternoon (Time: 40 minutes)

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Applied Science/Forensic and Criminal Investigation

UNIT 1: Principles and Applications of Science I

Biology

SECTION A: STRUCTURES AND FUNCTIONS OF CELLS AND TISSUES

<p>You must have:</p> <p>A calculator and a ruler.</p>	Total Marks
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Instructions

- Use **black** ink or ball-point pen
- **Fill in the boxes** at the top of this page with your name, centre number and learner registration number.
- Answer **all** questions.
- Answer the questions in the spaces provided
– *there may be more space than you need.*

Information

- The exam comprises three papers worth 30 marks each:
 - Section A: Structures and Functions of Cells and Tissues (Biology)
 - Section B: Periodicity and Properties of Elements (Chemistry)
 - Section C: Waves in Communication (Physics).
- The total mark for this exam is 90.
- The marks for **each** question are shown in brackets
– *use this as a guide as to how much time to spend on each question.*

Advice

- Read each question carefully before you start to answer it.
- Try to answer every question.
- Check your answers if you have time at the end.

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Answer ALL questions. Write your answers in the spaces provided.

Some questions must be answered with a cross in a box ☒. If you change your mind about an answer, put a line through the box ☒ and then mark your new answer with a cross ☒.

- 1 Figure 1 shows the five levels of organisation in a multicellular organism.

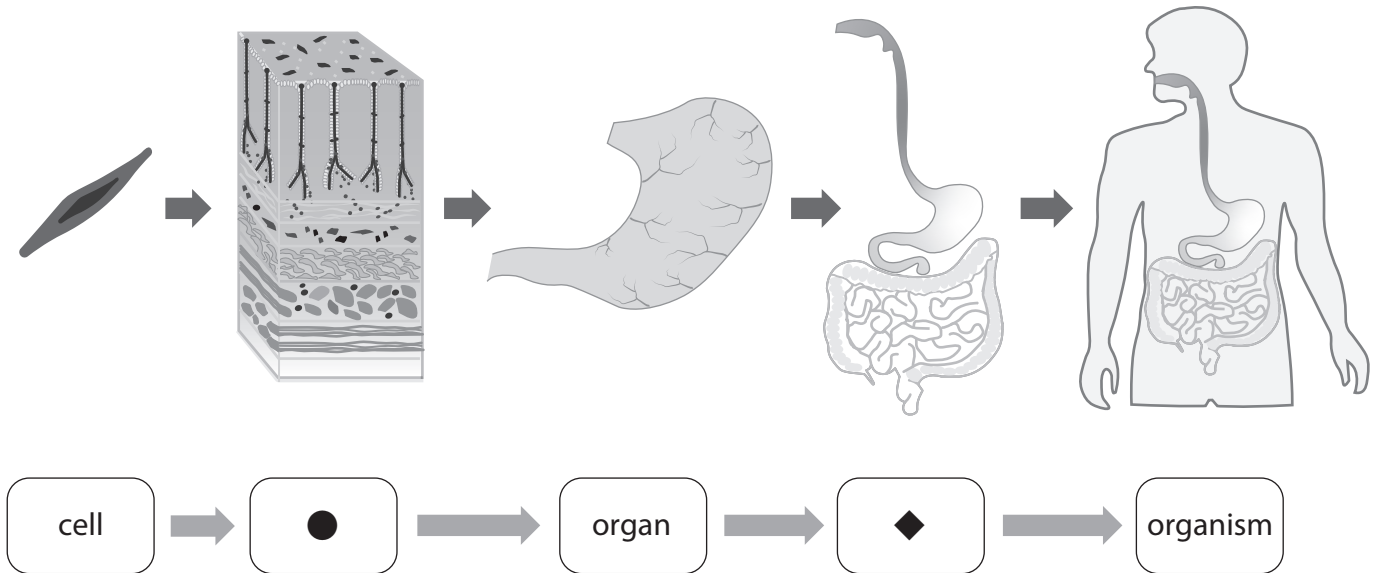


Figure 1

- (a) Identify the missing words represented by the shapes ● and ◆ in Figure 1.

(2)

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(b) Figure 2 shows a light microscope that can be used to view cells.



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Figure 2

(i) The objective lens magnification of a light microscope can be calculated by:

$$\text{objective lens magnification} = \frac{\text{magnifying power}}{\text{eye piece lens magnification}}$$

Calculate the objective lens magnification of the light microscope with a $\times 10$ eye piece lens magnification and a $\times 40$ magnifying power.

(2)

Show your working.

objective lens magnification = \times

(ii) Identify the maximum resolving power (resolution) of a light microscope.

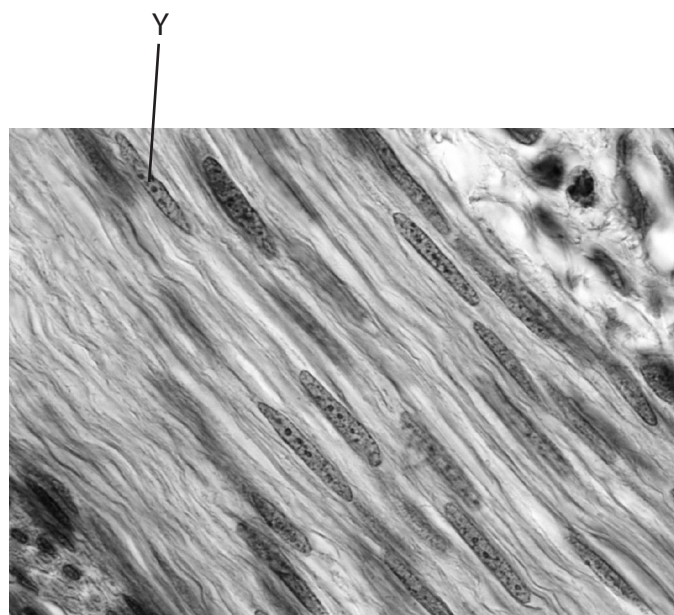
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- ☐ A $0.02\ \mu\text{m}$
- ☐ B $0.2\ \mu\text{m}$
- ☐ C $2\ \mu\text{m}$
- ☐ D $20\ \mu\text{m}$

(Total for Question 1 = 5 marks)



2 (a) Figure 3 shows an electron micrograph of some smooth muscle cells.



magnification $\times 400$

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Figure 3

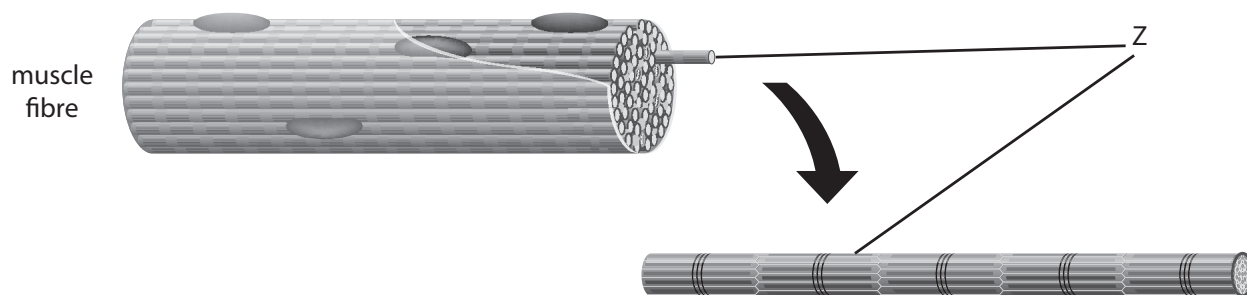
Identify the cell component labelled Y in Figure 3.

(1)

- ☐ **A** cell membrane
- ☐ **B** Golgi apparatus
- ☐ **C** nucleus
- ☐ **D** rough endoplasmic reticulum



(b) Figure 4 shows a diagram of a skeletal muscle fibre.



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Figure 4

Identify the structure labelled Z in Figure 4.

(1)

(c) Figure 5 shows a sarcomere when a muscle is relaxed.

Draw a sarcomere when the muscle has contracted.

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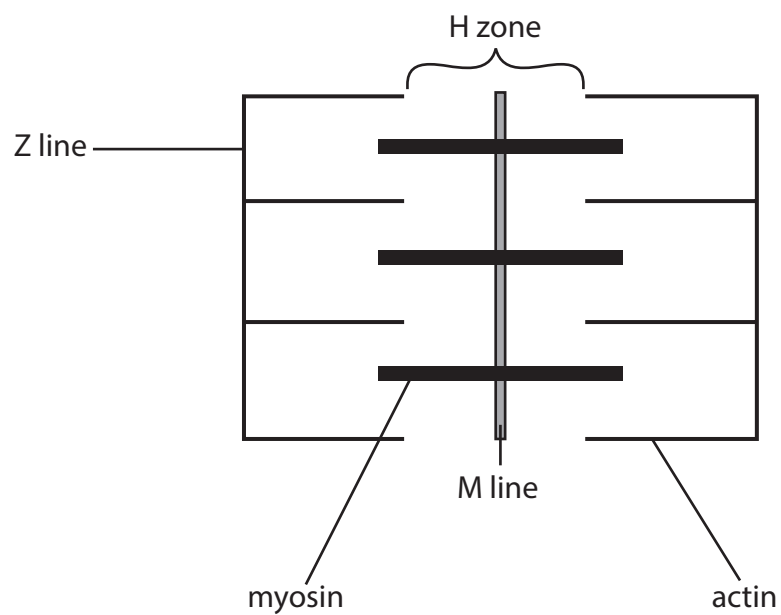


Figure 5



(d) Table 1 shows the average percentages of fast and slow twitch muscle fibres in the legs of two athletes.

athlete	slow twitch muscle fibre (%)	fast twitch muscle fibre (%)
marathon runner	80	20
100 m sprinter	20	80

Table 1

Explain why a higher percentage of fast twitch muscle fibres enables a sprinter to run short distances at fast speeds.

(3)

(Total for Question 2 = 7 marks)



- 3 Bacterial cells are stained so that they can be viewed and identified using a light microscope.

Gram-negative and Gram-positive bacteria stain differently using a Gram stain.

- (a) Identify the cell component in Gram-positive bacteria that causes them to appear purple after Gram staining.

(1)

- ☐ A capsule
- ☐ B cell wall
- ☐ C nucleoid
- ☐ D plasmids

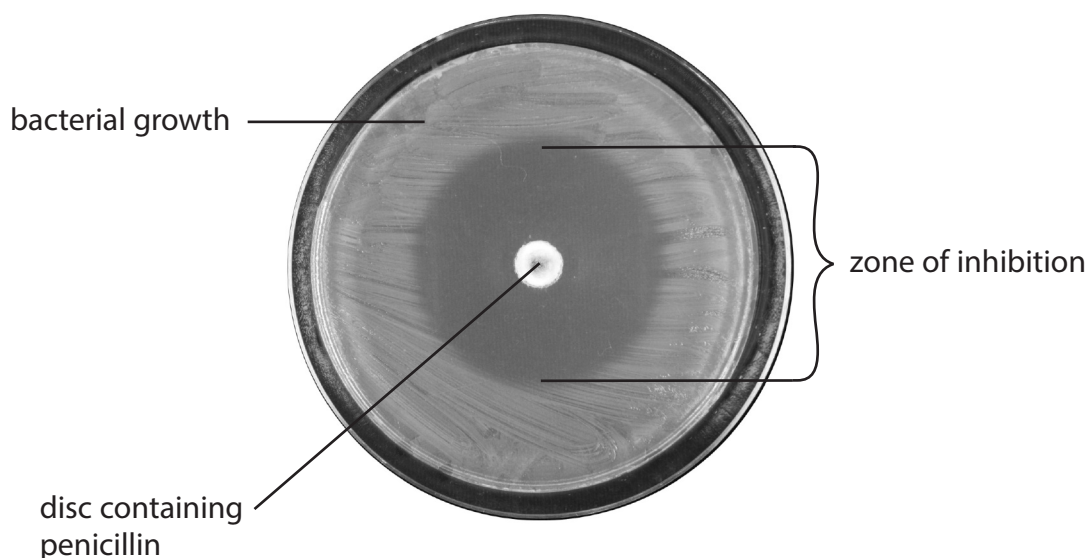
- (b) Gram-positive bacteria were spread onto a nutrient agar plate.

A disc of filter paper was soaked in the antibiotic penicillin.

The disc was then placed in the centre of the nutrient agar plate.

Figure 6 shows the results after the plate had been incubated at 30 °C for 24 hours.

The zone of inhibition is the area where the bacteria have not grown.



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Figure 6

- (i) In Figure 6, the zone of inhibition has a radius of 12 mm.

Calculate the area of the zone of inhibition.

area of the zone of inhibition = πr^2

$\pi = 3.14$

$r =$ radius

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area of the zone of inhibition = mm²

- (ii) Explain why penicillin inhibits the growth of Gram-positive bacteria.

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(Total for Question 3 = 6 marks)



4 Figure 7 shows an action potential in a neurone.

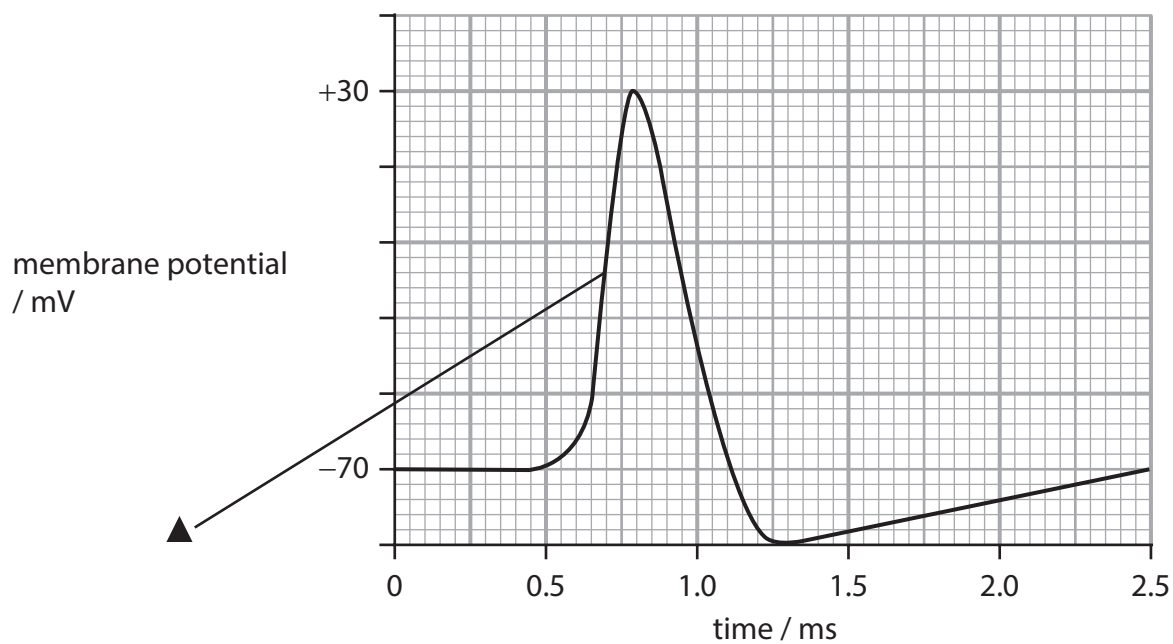


Figure 7

(a) Identify the stage of the action potential that is represented by the ▲ in Figure 7.

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(b) Figure 8 shows an action potential.

The threshold value is labelled.

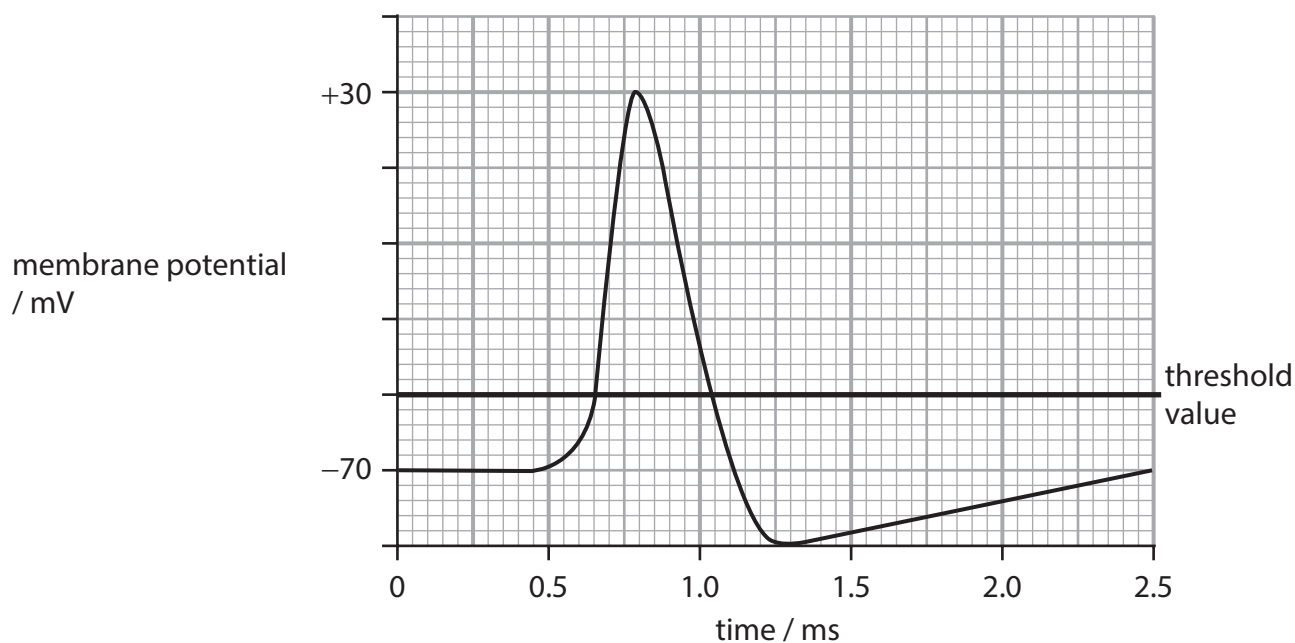


Figure 8

Give the threshold value shown in Figure 8.

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(c) Explain how an axon resting membrane potential is maintained.

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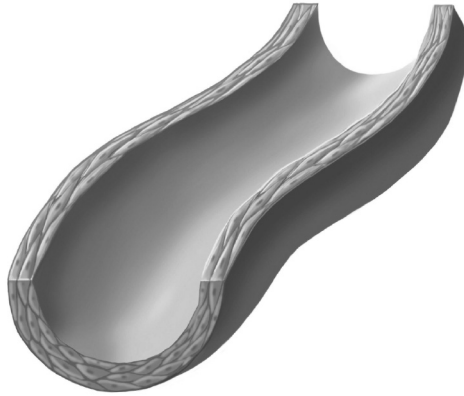
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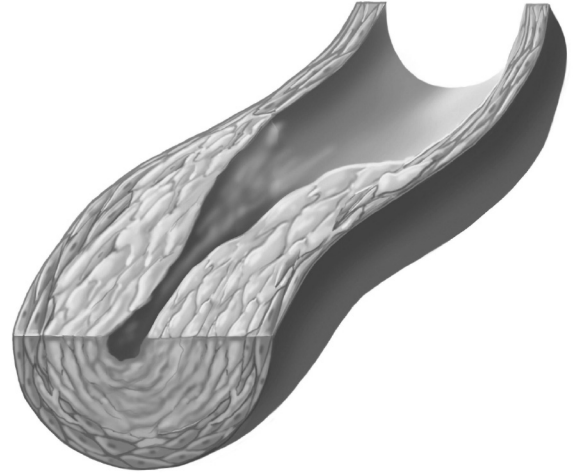
5 Arteries are lined with endothelial cells.

Damage to the lining of the arteries can lead to atherosclerosis.

Figure 9 shows part of a healthy human artery and part of an artery narrowed by an atherosclerotic plaque.



normal human artery



damaged human artery

Figure 9

Hypertension (high blood pressure) is a risk factor that can result in damage to the artery lining.

Discuss how high blood pressure can result in the lining of arteries being damaged.

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