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**Abbreviations used in the Mark Scheme:**

- ; separates marking points
- / alternatives
- **I** ignore
- **R** reject
- **A** accept (for answers correctly cued by the question, or guidance for examiners)
- AW alternative wording (where responses vary more than usual)
- AVP any valid point
- ecf credit a correct statement / calculation that follows a previous wrong response
- **ora** or reverse argument
- ( ) the word / phrase in brackets is not required, but sets the context
- underline actual word given must be used by candidate (grammatical variants excepted)
- max indicates the maximum number of marks that can be given

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1 (a) (i)	length 30 (mm), width 10 (mm), height 10 (mm) ;	[1]	Check Supervisor's report and candidates for variation <b>A</b> cm if clearly shown
(ii)	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. table drawn to show rows /at least 3 columns ;</li> <li>2. table drawn with room for at least 4 bubble readings ;</li> <li>3 appropriate column headings with units: ( number of) bubbles per (or in) 3 minutes/min or (number of) bubbles /minute or min +  potato / piece of potato / stick / piece / AW slice / stick and 1 or 2 / mean / average (number of bubbles per 3 min or per 1 min) ;</li> <li>4. four numbers for bubbles recorded ; <i>even if all are 0 bubbles; but not tally chart alone without number of bubbles.</i></li> <li>5. mean calculated for each potato piece A and B ; <i>allow ½ of a bubble 14.5.</i></li> <li>6. mean for A and B are different (expect A &lt; B) ;</li> </ol>	[6]	Check supervisor's report
(b)	<p>prevents leakage of oxygen / all oxygen collected ;</p> <p>increases accuracy / results will be comparable / consistent / reliable / valid / AW;</p> <p>allow a pressure to build up / bubbles to form ;</p>	max [2]	<p><b>A</b> gas / air / bubbles</p> <p><b>I</b> loose bung could come out / no gas from outside enters the tube</p> <p><b>I</b> fair test comments</p>

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(c) (i)	<p>catalase produces more bubbles when it is active / <b>ora</b>;</p> <p>the lower the percentage of alcohol (used for soaking) the more bubbles are produced / AW / <b>ora</b>;</p> <p>the higher the percentage of alcohol used the lower the activity of the catalase / <b>ora</b> ;</p>	[max 1]	<p><b>A</b> as number of bubbles increases the activity of the catalase increases</p> <p>need not refer to catalase (more bubbles means more activity)</p> <p><b>A</b> concentration of alcohol.</p>								
(ii)	<b>B</b> has more catalase activity / bubbles, <b>A</b> has less activity / bubbles ;	[1]	<b>I</b> restatement of results (number of bubbles from each piece of potato)								
(iii)	number showing same trend as candidates results ;	[1]									
(d) (i)	<table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th><i>variable</i></th> <th><i>controlled by</i></th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>hydrogen peroxide volume / concentration.</td> <td>for each potato piece: measured 10 cm<sup>3</sup> or used same strength / volume solution;</td> </tr> <tr> <td>potato;</td> <td>same dimensions used for each piece // 30 mm × 5 mm × 10 mm or pieces cut from same potato / type of potato / surface area ;</td> </tr> <tr> <td>time ;</td> <td>for bubble counting – keep the same time e.g. counted for 3 min for each piece / soaking for same time e.g. 24 hours;</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	<i>variable</i>	<i>controlled by</i>	hydrogen peroxide volume / concentration.	for each potato piece: measured 10 cm <sup>3</sup> or used same strength / volume solution;	potato;	same dimensions used for each piece // 30 mm × 5 mm × 10 mm or pieces cut from same potato / type of potato / surface area ;	time ;	for bubble counting – keep the same time e.g. counted for 3 min for each piece / soaking for same time e.g. 24 hours;	<p>1 + 1</p> <p>[max 2]</p>	<p>variable must match control given</p> <p>'Same time' needs qualification.</p>
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(ii)	<table border="1"> <tr> <td><i>source of error</i></td> <td><i>method of reducing error</i></td> </tr> </table>	<i>source of error</i>	<i>method of reducing error</i>	1 + 1  [max 2]	method must match the error. 1 mark for error, 1 mark for method.
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	<table border="1"> <tr> <td>bubbles are all different sizes;</td> <td>measure the volume use a gas syringe/ collect in a measuring cylinder/ AVP;</td> </tr> </table>	bubbles are all different sizes;	measure the volume use a gas syringe/ collect in a measuring cylinder/ AVP;		
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<table border="1"> <tr> <td>bubbles difficult to count ;</td> <td>use a (tally) counter/ method of collecting the gas / measure the volume/ use 2 people / repeat for reliability / AW;</td> </tr> </table>	bubbles difficult to count ;	use a (tally) counter/ method of collecting the gas / measure the volume/ use 2 people / repeat for reliability / AW;			
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<table border="1"> <tr> <td>setting up and starting time;</td> <td>use 2 people;</td> </tr> </table>	setting up and starting time;	use 2 people;			
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(iii)	<table border="1"> <tr> <td>source of error</td> <td>reason</td> </tr> </table>	source of error	reason	[2]	method must match the error. 1 mark for error, 1 mark for reason.  <b>R</b> reference to bubbles already in <b>(d)(ii)</b> or <b>(b)</b> loose bung.
	source of error	reason			
	<table border="1"> <tr> <td>size of potato / surface area / type / freshness ;</td> <td>may not be equal so affect rate of activity;</td> </tr> </table>	size of potato / surface area / type / freshness ;	may not be equal so affect rate of activity;		
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	<table border="1"> <tr> <td>temperature different;</td> <td>affects enzyme activity / AW</td> </tr> </table>	temperature different;	affects enzyme activity / AW		
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<b>(iv)</b>	use exactly the same procedure / do the same / repeat / AW / or description of original method;  except soak potato in water (and not ethanol) / use 0% alcohol / without alcohol / use untreated potato / AW;	[2]	<b>I</b> use boiled potato / boiled catalase / repeat without potato / use water instead of hydrogen peroxide / use liver or yeast / use glass beads
<b>(v)</b>	same or greater number of bubbles than in <b>B</b> / 2% quoted results ;	[1]	
<b>(e)</b>	keep away from flames / heat source ; wear goggles / safety glasses: wear gloves; wear lab coat; use tongs / AW;	[max 1]	<b>A</b> use a water bath when heating ethanol
<b>(f) (i)</b>	<u>280</u> ;	[1]	
<b>(ii)</b>	<b>A</b> axes labelled even scale;  <b>P</b> <b>both</b> plots accurate $\pm 1/2$ small square ;  <b>C</b> columns not touching of same width columns at least half the grid on y-axis;	[3]	y-axis: ( mean) reaction time / ms x-axis: before drinking alcohol and after drinking alcohol / before and after / or key given x-axis labels approximately under each bar  <b>R</b> superimposed columns
<b>(iii)</b>	220 – 350 (milliseconds) ;	[1]	
		<b>[Total: 27]</b>	

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2 (a) (i)	<p>Outlines – all lines single, clear and unbroken ;</p> <p>Size – occupies at least half of the space provided ;</p> <p>Detail – oval shape + phloem + 1 other area ; two other areas shown ;</p> <p>Label – line to correct area on drawing to show position of xylem ( vessel) and line labelled “xylem”</p>	[5]	
(ii)	<p>measurement of AB = 58 mm;</p> <p>line on their drawing and length measured with correct unit ;</p> <p>correct magnification calculation;</p>	[3]	<p>± 1 mm <b>A</b> cm/μm <b>I</b> other units</p> <p>± 1 mm <b>R</b> if no line drawn or position not indicated /line in incorrect position</p> <p><b>R</b> if units given ecf if measurement(s) above are incorrect</p>
(iii)	<p>(xylem) walls thick(er)/large (er)/wide(er); (xylem vessels) round(er) ; (xylem) has large(r) cross section area/big(ger) ;</p>	[max 1]	

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<b>(b)</b>	1 use of any suitable plant material; 2 put stem/material chosen in (red) dye/add dye to cut (stem) surface; 3 time for absorption of dye; 4 cut (sections) of stem or material chosen; 5 (red stained xylem) will indicate position of vascular bundle	[max 4]	I stain it red     I xylem alone
		<b>[Total: 13]</b>	