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BIOLOGY

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Paper 5 Practical Test

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1 hour 15 minutes

You must answer on the question paper.

You will need: The materials and apparatus listed in the confidential instructions

INSTRUCTIONS

- Answer **all** questions.
- Use a black or dark blue pen. You may use an HB pencil for any diagrams or graphs.
- Write your name, centre number and candidate number in the boxes at the top of the page.
- Write your answer to each question in the space provided.
- Do **not** use an erasable pen or correction fluid.
- Do **not** write on any bar codes.
- You may use a calculator.
- You should show all your working and use appropriate units.

INFORMATION

- The total mark for this paper is 40.
- The number of marks for each question or part question is shown in brackets [].

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This document has **12** pages. Any blank pages are indicated.

- 1 You are going to investigate the effect of temperature on the rate of respiration in yeast cells.

When yeast cells respire they release carbon dioxide gas.

Read all the instructions but DO NOT DO THEM until you have drawn a table for your results in the space provided in 1(a)(i).

You should use the safety equipment provided while you are doing the practical work.

- Step 1 Stir the yeast suspension with the glass rod and fill the syringe with 10 cm^3 of yeast suspension. Ensure you place the syringe nozzle under any foam that is present on top of the yeast suspension so that the foam is not drawn up into the syringe.
- Step 2 You have been provided with a small piece of modelling clay. Shape the modelling clay around the end of the syringe plunger as shown in Fig. 1.1. It is important that the modelling clay is firmly attached to the plunger so that it does **not** fall off.

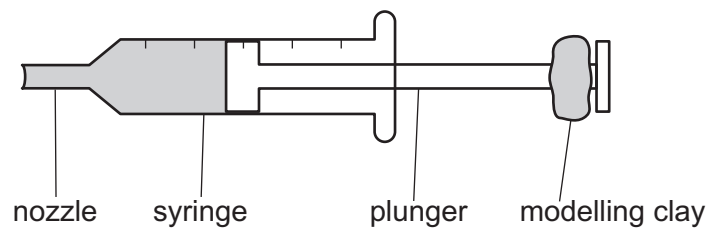


Fig. 1.1

- Step 3 Gently lower the syringe into the measuring cylinder, as shown in Fig. 1.2. If necessary, reshape your modelling clay so that it fits inside the cylinder but do **not** remove any modelling clay.
- Step 4 Fill the measuring cylinder with cold water. Do **not** let the water in the measuring cylinder overflow.

The nozzle of the syringe should be below the surface of the water in the measuring cylinder.

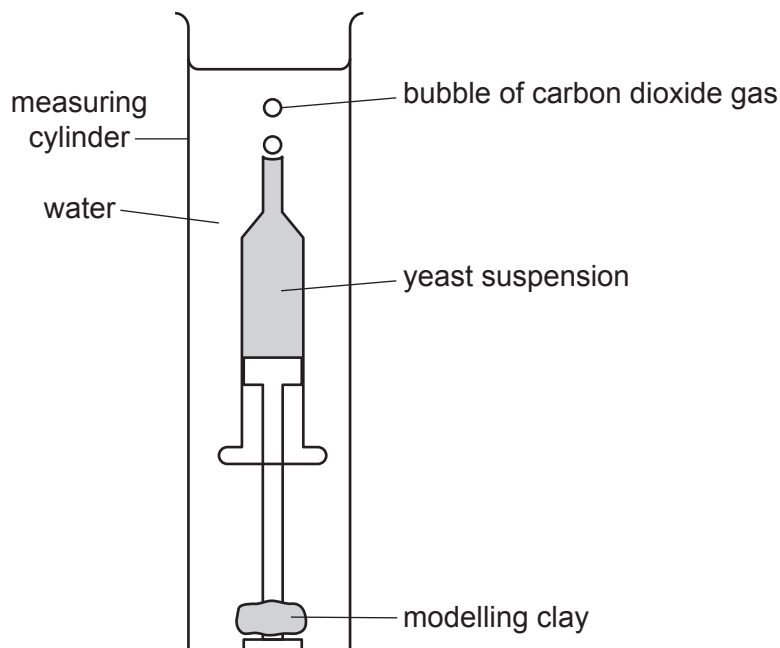


Fig. 1.2

- Step 5 Measure the temperature of the water in the measuring cylinder.
Record this measurement in your table in **1(a)(i)**.
- Step 6 Start the stop-clock and wait for two minutes.
- Step 7 Reset the stop-clock to zero.
- Step 8 Start the stop-clock again and count the number of bubbles produced by the yeast in three minutes.
Record this number in your table in **1(a)(i)**.
- Step 9 Carefully pour the cold water in the measuring cylinder into the waste container. The syringe containing the yeast suspension should remain in the measuring cylinder.
- Step 10 Raise your hand when you are ready for hot water to be poured into your measuring cylinder. Ensure that the water level is above the nozzle of the syringe but **not** overflowing.
- Step 11 Repeat steps 5 to 8.
- (a) (i)** Prepare a table to record your results in the space provided.

[4]

(ii) State a conclusion for your results.

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(iii) Using your results, calculate the rate of bubble production for the yeast suspension in cold water and in hot water.

rate of bubble production in cold water bubbles per minute
rate of bubble production in hot water bubbles per minute
[1]

(iv) State the independent variable in this investigation.

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..... [1]

(v) State **one** variable that was kept constant in this investigation.

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(vi) Suggest why you were instructed to wait for two minutes in step 6 before starting to count the number of bubbles.

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(vii) Suggest why counting bubbles is **not** an accurate method of determining the rate of respiration in yeast.

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- (b) Measuring the volume of a gas is more accurate than counting bubbles. Using a gas syringe is one method of collecting and measuring a volume of gas.

Fig. 1.3 shows part of the apparatus that can be used to measure the volume of a gas by a **different** method.

Complete the diagram in Fig. 1.3 by drawing and labelling the **two** pieces of apparatus that are missing.

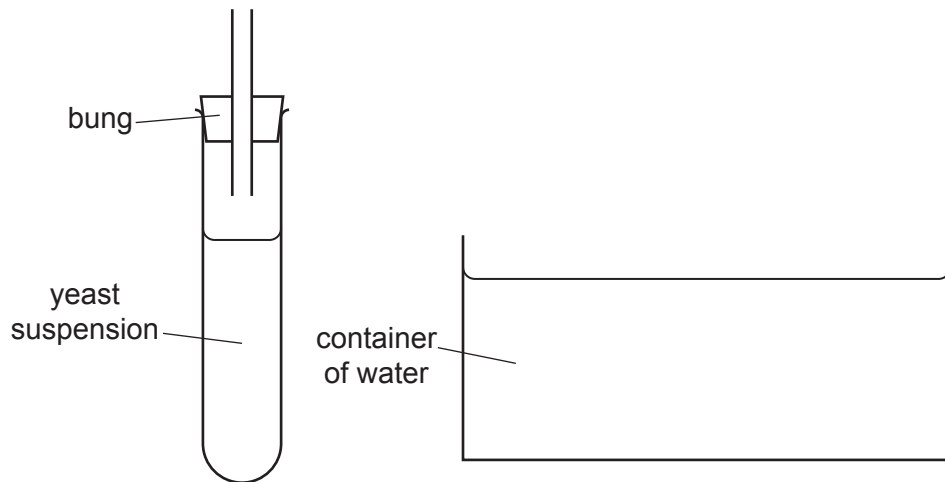


Fig. 1.3

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- (c) Yeast can respire reducing sugars.

Describe the method you would use to test a substance for the presence of reducing sugars.

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2 Fig. 2.1 is a photograph of a cross-section of a root from a carrot plant, *Daucus carota*.

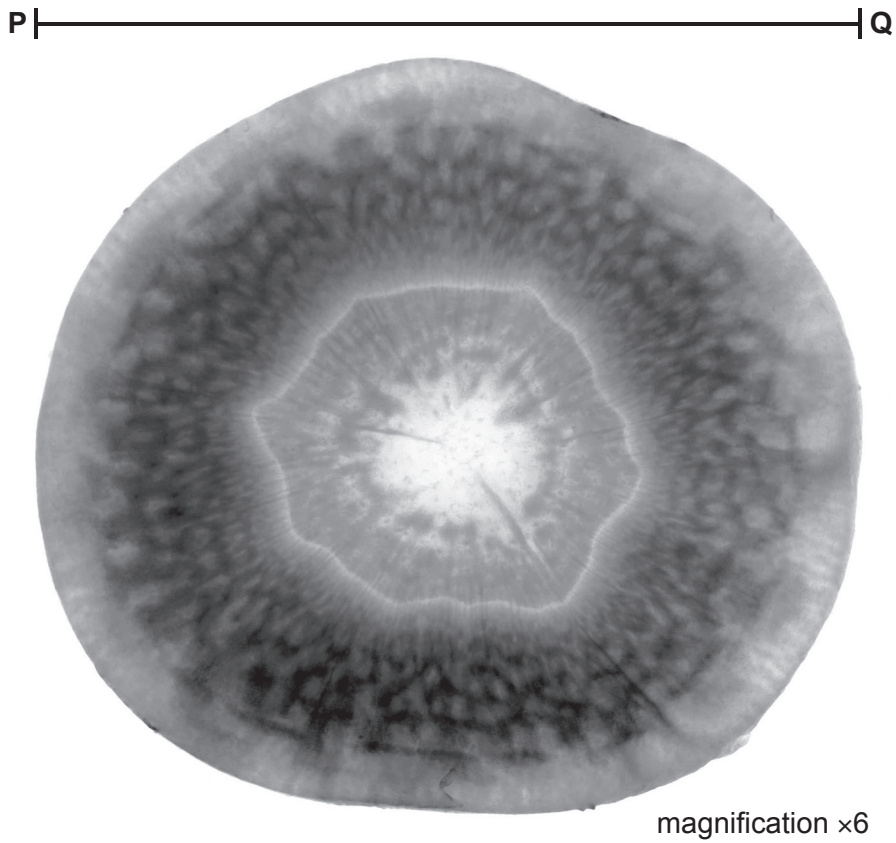


Fig. 2.1

- (a) (i) Draw a large diagram of the carrot root cross-section that shows the layers visible in Fig. 2.1.

(ii) Line **PQ** on Fig. 2.1 represents the diameter of the carrot root cross-section.

Measure the length of line **PQ** on Fig. 2.1.

length of **PQ** mm

Calculate the actual diameter of the carrot root cross-section using the formula and your measurement.

$$\text{magnification} = \frac{\text{length of line PQ in Fig. 2.1}}{\text{actual diameter of the carrot root cross-section}}$$

Give your answer to **one** decimal place.

Space for working.

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[3]

(b) A student investigated the effect of the concentration of a salt solution on the mass of carrot cubes. The student used this method:

- Carrots were cut into cubes. Each side of the cube was 1 cm in length.
- The initial mass of each carrot cube was measured and recorded.
- Each carrot cube was put into a different concentration of salt solution.
- The carrot cubes were left in the salt solutions for one hour.
- After one hour, the carrot cubes were removed from the salt solution and dried with a paper towel.
- The final mass of each carrot cube was measured and recorded.

(i) State the dependent variable in the investigation described in **2(b)**.

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(ii) State **two** variables that were kept constant in this investigation.

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(iii) Explain why it was important to dry the carrot cubes before measuring the final mass.

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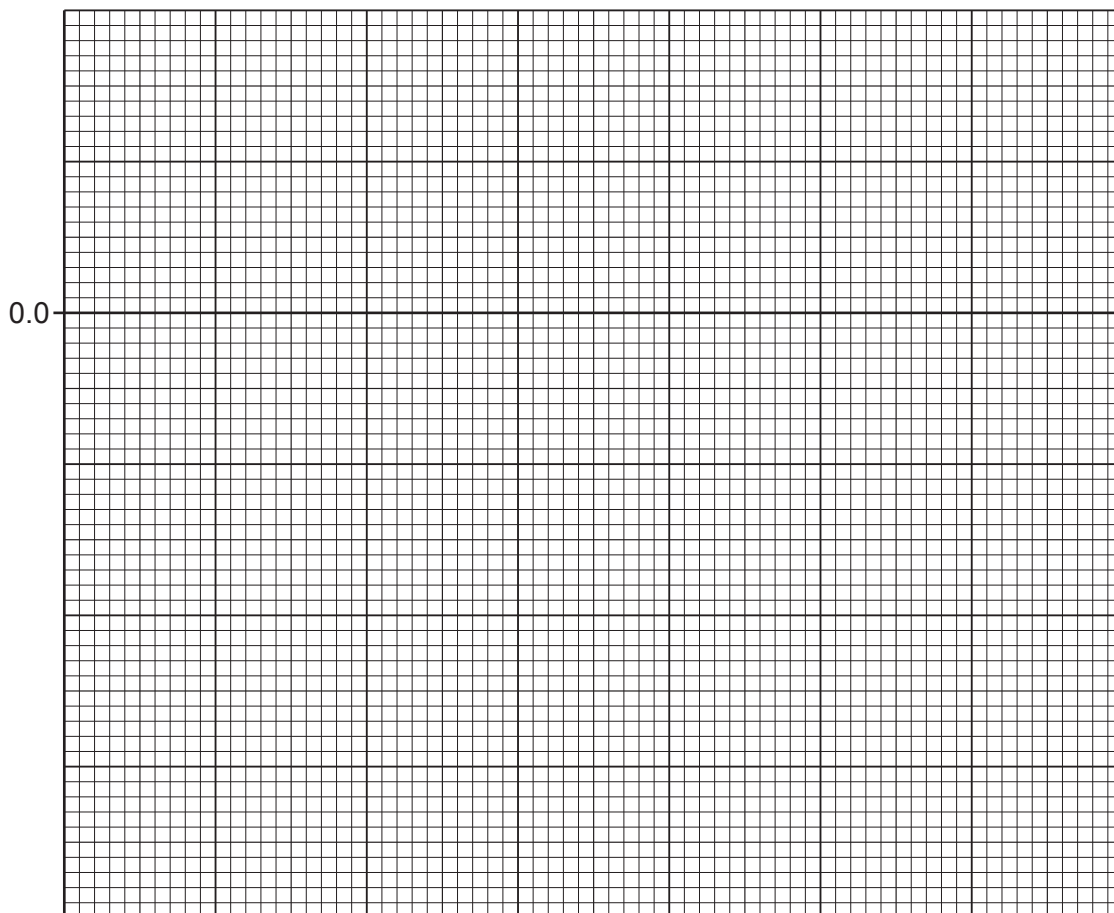
The results of the investigation are shown in Table 2.1.

Table 2.1

concentration of salt solution / mol per dm ³	initial mass of carrot cube / g	final mass of carrot cube / g	change in mass / g
0.0	0.97	1.04	0.07
0.2	0.98	0.99	0.01
0.4	0.96	0.90	-0.06
0.6	0.98	0.86	-0.12
0.8	0.99	0.84	-0.15
1.0	0.95	0.79	-0.16
1.2	0.96	0.80	-0.16

- (iv) Using the data in Table 2.1, plot a line graph on the grid to show the effect of concentration of salt solution on the change in mass of the carrot cubes.

One axis has been started for you.



[4]

- (v) Using your graph, estimate the concentration of salt solution at which there is no change in the mass of the carrot cube.

Show on the graph how you obtained your estimate.

..... mol per dm³
[2]

- (vi) Using the information in Table 2.1, calculate the **percentage** change in mass of the carrot cube that was placed in the 0.4 mol per dm³ salt solution.

Space for working.

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(vii) The student did not repeat the investigation and only collected one set of results.

Explain why it is better to collect several sets of results.

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