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Ques	stion	Expected Answers		Additional guidance	
1 (	(a) (i)	Show clearly on Fig.1.1 what you would marks for clear labels.	expect the contents of the test-tube to look like	after 10 minutes. You will gain [2]	
E sions 2	[1]	line drawn level with half way mark	AND more yeast drawn towards bottom of tube or another line to show a separate region;		
ACE conclusions 2	[1]	one label or description;			
	(ii)	State the time intervals you will use and	what you will use the graph paper scale to mea	isure. [2]	
	[1]	[1] uses 10 minutes  AND at least three times (including 10) even time intervals between consecutive three;  Or one/two/two and a half minutes or two mins 30s intervals;  Reject if does not divide into 10 e.g. 3 minutes			
MMO decisions 2					
ММО	[1]	measures or describes measuring e.g. (use graph paper) to find distance/length	<b>AND</b> description of what is measured; e.g. from halfway mark to top of sediment or bottom of tube to top of sediment/or from Fig. 1.1/AW;		
	(iii)decide on the volume of Y and the volume of each buffer solution to use. Describe all the steps you used to w volume.  State the volume of Y and the volume of each buffer solution to use.				
O decisions 2	[1]	describes all following steps	Allow		
ММО	[1]	volume of Y equal to volume of buffer ANI	O cm³ / ml on both;	• to 0.1 cm <sup>3</sup>	

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	(iv)	Prepare the space below and reco	rd your observations.	[5]
PDO recording 2	[1]	table with all cells drawn	AND heading (top or left) pH;	
	[1]	<ul><li>Reject</li><li>if units anywhere else except h</li><li>t or T</li></ul>	neadings	
8		(headings) time min(utes)	AND length/depth/height/AW with mm or cm;	
12	[1]	different results/observations for different pH minimum 2 pH;		
MMO collection 2	[1]	recorded to 1 mm or 0.1 cm only;		Reject if no units/if mixed units Allow as error carried forward whole or 0.5 units on graph paper
MMO decision 1	[1]	repeats recorded;		
	(v)	Use your results to state the effect	t of pH on the yeast suspension.	[1]
ACE conclusion	[1]	<ul> <li>(yeast settles) more / higher rate of</li> <li>at some pH</li> <li>or correct example of pH with results;</li> </ul>		Reject activity

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	(vi)	Identify one significant source of e	rror in this experiment.		[1]
		cause of error	error		
ACE interpretation max 1	[1]	(dependent variable) boundary/ top of layers or bubbles on surface  or graph paper and test-tube	idea of finding measuring seeing determining judging; lining up;		
ACE		(standardised variables) test-tubes sizes/	not constant not same/different/vary		
	[1]	mixing/adding/readings	cannot be done at same time;	max 1	
	(vi)	State the degree of uncertainty of u	using the graph paper scale as a measure.		[1]
ACE interpretation	[1] +/- 2 mm;			Reject % error Allow +/– 0.2 cm or +/– whole or 1 graph paper unit	

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	(vii)	Suggest ho	ow you could make this investigation as accurate as possible as reliable a	s possible [3]
		of any nt variable;	(for volumes) use measuring cylinder/burette/graduated pipettes or tubes or smaller (divisions)syringes  Or	Allow for either accuracy or reliable
	[1]		hold tube vertical in retort stand/attach graph paper to tubes;	
nents max 3		ing rements to rue value	use ruler/graph paper, with smaller divisions/vernier calipers or colorimeter or collect and dry sediment or larger/more volumes so heights larger;	
improvements	A2 [1]		set up each pH separately/stagger timing/longer time;	
ACE	A3 [1]		more buffer solutions or examples of extra buffer/pH;	
		e method repeat data	repeat or replicate;	
	R2 [1]		weigh out (initial) mass of yeast ;	max 3

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(1	b) (i)	Plot a graph of the data shown in Table 1.1.			[4]
	0	x-axis		Reject t/T	Must have units
PDO layout 4	[1]	calcium chloride/CaC l <sub>(2)</sub> conc(entration)(/) m mol		AND y-axis time (/) min;	
	S	Reject if awkward scale 0.25 to 2 cm			error carried forward if incorrect O then
	[1]	scale as 0.2 to 2 cm	AN	<b>D</b> 20 to 2 cm;	must use more than half provided grid in <i>x</i> and <i>y</i>
	Р	<ul> <li>Reject</li> <li>plotting if scale is awkward unless 0.25</li> <li>if only blobs/dots/blobs in circles.</li> </ul>		ersection of cross must be clear to bw plot.	
	[1]	correct plotting using crosses/dots in circle only;			
	L [1]	straight line through points; error carried forward if scale or plotting incorrect	fea joir	ality – no thicker than on grid, not thery for the complete line.  ning plots – ruled lines plot to plot  rapolation not beyond x- or y-axis Ignore if in context of data correct to go to 0,0 must be within 2 mm of 0 if not correct in context of data then no extrapolation at either end of data.	<b>Reject</b> if any extrapolation beyond 0 or 1.0.
	(ii)	State the concentration of calcium chloride requ	uired	d for the yeast to sediment out at 40	minutes. [1]
MMO collection 1	[1]	correct reading of concentration to no more than 2 significant figures;			

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				[Total: 22]		
2	(a) (i)	Select a large vascular bundle and dr	raw a large plan diagram	of the vascular bundle. L	abel the xylem tissue.	[5]
Ξ	[1]	Reject if drawn over print of question				
PDO layout		<ul><li>Reject thick lines</li><li>feathery lines</li><li>4 'tails' or overlaps or gaps</li></ul>	AND no shading	AND uses most of the		
		clear, sharp, unbroken lines		space provided;		
3	[1]	no cells drawn				
	[1]	(vascular bundle) shows an outline wh				
MMO collection	[1]	(in one vascular bundle) wider at one end than the other (tapere Or at least three regions shown;				
O decision	[1]	Reject     if any label is biologically incorrect     label within drawn area				
ММО		correct label with label line xylem to re				

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(		ke a high-power drawing of one trichome, with home. Label the trichome.	n at le	ast three cells	s, and one epidermal cel	I on each side touching the base of the [5]
	[1]	Reject if drawn over print of question				
PDO layout 1		<ul> <li>Reject</li> <li>thick lines – than on grid</li> <li>feathery lines</li> <li>5 'tails' or overlaps or gaps if double cell walls</li> </ul>				
		clear, sharp, unbroken lines in cell outlines		no shading	<b>AND</b> uses most of the space provided;	
on 2	[1]	5, 6 or 7 cells;				
MMO collection	[1]	9 0 1	ag group  AND cell walls as double lines with middle lamella in 3 adjacent (epidermal) cells;			
ons 2	[1]	(cell or tip of trichome or broken) pointed or rounded Or (in trichome) one larger cell or large base cell;				
MMO decisions	[1]	Reject     if any label is biologically incorrect e.g. label label within drawn area				
		correct label with label line to trichome;				

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(	(b) (i) Calculate the ratio of the diameter of the vascular tissue labelled X to the total diameter of the plant organ labelled Y.				
PDO recording 1	[1]	(measurements to same degree of precision) whole mm or 0.5 mm;	Allow 0.1 cm or 0.15 cm		
olay 2	[1]	shows larger figure to or: smaller figure or larger figure divided by smaller figure;			
PDO display	[1]	rounds to correct ratio e.g. 125:69 or leaves as fraction e.g. 125/69;	Reject if include units in answer  Reject 1.86:1		

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(ii) Prepare the space below so that it suitable for you to describe the observable differences between M1 and Fig. 2.1.						
PDO recording	[1]	organise as a table or Venn diagram or ruled connected boxes	headed M1 and Fig. 2.1	differences opposite each other;	M1   Fig. 2.1	
	Reject tick and cross without a key –				if no organisation then mark points only	
ACE interpretation 4		feature	M1	Fig. 2.1	if in same sentence or following sentences.	
	[1]	shape	irregular/wavy/uneven/ starshape/swellings	oval/circular; Ignore regular	Allow differences even if not opposite	
	[1]	pith/hollow space/empty/ lumen/cavity Ignore vacuole	present/yes	absent/no;	each other.  Allow difference on one side if e.g. use more or –er.	
	[1]	vascular tissue/bundle/ xylem	bundles/around edge/ scattered	stele/in centre;		
	[1]	number of vascular bundles/ tissue/xylem	(vascular bundles) more/(xylem)less	(vascular bundles) less/(xylem)lots/more;		
	[1]	thickened layer/stained layer/collenchyma/AW	present	absent;		
	[1]	outer epidermis	thick	thin;		
	[1]		continuous/smooth	rubbing off/flaky/AW;		
	[1]	trichomes/hairs	present/yes/some/more Allow less	absent/no/none/fewer; Allow more		
	[1]	trichome shape	hair-like/pointed	irregular;	max 4	
			,	[Total: 18	8]	