Oxford A Level Sciences

OCR Biology A

22 Cloning and biotechnology Answers to practice questions

| Question number | Answer | Marks | Guidance |
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| 1 (a) | Reproductive cloning fertilised egg placed into surrogate; cloned animal allowed to develop; therapeutic cloning fertilised eggs / embryos, remain in lab; e.g. stem cells collected; | 3 | |
| 1 (b) | Positive treatment of genetic disease; treatment of infertility; medical research; <i>negative</i> idea of unforeseen problems, e.g. shortened life span, genetic disorders; religious objections; emotional problems for, clone / parents; reduction of genetic diversity; | 4 max | |
| 1 (c) (i) | Nucleus removed from adult (somatic cell); nucleus removed from egg cell of different animal; nucleus from somatic cell placed into (enucleated) egg cell; electric shock to stimulate division; embryo placed into surrogate; | 3 max | |
| 1 (c) (ii) | Mitochondria in enucleated egg cell; contains DNA; | 2 | |
| 1 (d) | Production of multiple embryos from one embryo; increase success rate; reduce costs / increase inefficiency; | 3 | |
| 2 (a) | <i>Explant</i> tissue removed, from, plant / animal; transferred to nutrient medium as starting culture; <i>callus</i> undifferentiated, mass of cells; <i>idea of</i> large number of cells that can be split into many cultures; | 4 | |
| 2 (b) | e.g. auxins / gibberellins; used in different proportions; cell division; growth of roots; growth of shoots; | 5 | |
| 3 (a) | Continuous; nutrients / examples, supplied; products removed; | 3 | |
| 3 (b) | Feed valve for nutrient supply; harvest valve for product removal; sensors to monitor, conditions / named; so, conditions / named, can be maintained at optimum; | 4 | |
| 3 (c) | Advantages conditions maintained at optimum; do not need to be cleaned as regularly; smaller space; lower staff costs disadvantages expensive; skilled workers required; not suitable for all products; | 4 | |
| 4 | Against cloned cows (may) suffer; example; may affect products; many people think, cloning should only be used in certain circumstances / never used; for some people, think cloning is ok or have no opinion; cloning may help solve food shortages; | 6 | |
| 5 | low(er) / less, energy (than beef); useful for, slimming / weight control / AW; low(er) / less, (total) fat; (very) low / (much) less, saturated fat; lower, cholesterol OR lower risk of, (coronary) heart disease / CHD / cardio-vascular diseases / heart attack / | 7 max | CREDIT ora for beef throughout. IGNORE use of figures alone when awarding mps 1, 3, 6, 7, 9 – look for <u>descriptive statement</u> , e.g. '12 g of protein' = no mark 'only 12 g protein' = 1 mark 2 ACCEPT preventing obesity |

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| | cardiac arrest / myocardial infarction / MI / angina / atherosclerosis / atheroma / stroke / hypertension; 6 contains carbohydrate / AW; 7low(er) / less, iron content; 8 (increased risk of) anaemia / fewer RBCs / less haemoglobin / reduced oxygen carrying capacity of blood; 9 low(er) / less, protein; 10 (mycoprotein provides) more balanced diet; 11 need larger intake to meet requirements / AW; | | ACCEPT 'less energy to burn off during exercise' DO NOT CREDIT 'burn off' unqualified 6 ACCEPT 'more carbohydrate than beef' IGNORE 'carbs' 8 IGNORE answers phrased in terms of role of iron alone e.g. 'haemoglobin contains iron' = 0 Answers must show consequence of deficiency e.g. 'less haemoglobin' = 1 |
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| 6 (a) (i) | <i>Graticule</i> total count; bacteria not necessarily alive; <i>dilution plating</i> viable count; only live bacteria can form visible colonies; | 4 | |
| 6 a (ii) | Colorimetry | 1 | |
| 6 b | Prevent contamination; possible pathogens; inaccurate results; | 3 | |
| 6 c | 43; 43 / 1.26, x 1 000 000; 3.41 x 10 ^{7;} | 3 | |
| 6 d | Using 63; 63 x 100 000; 6.3 x 10 ^{6;} | 3 | |
| 7 a | Gel entrapment; covalent / cross, linkage; adsorption to inert surface; contained within membrane; | 4 | |
| 7 b | Optimum temperature higher for immobilised enzymes; ORA immobilisation provides protection; rate of reaction lower for immobilized enzymes; enzyme not in direct contact with substrate; (substrate) takes time to diffuse to active site; figures quote; | 5 max | |