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IP BIOLOGY
Paper 2 Theory Paper

Friday

Additional materials: Nil

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1 hour 45 minutes
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READ THESE INSTRUCTIONS FIRST

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Section B

Answer **three** questions. Question **8** is in the form of an **Either/Or** question. Only **one** part should be answered.

Write your answers in the spaces provided on the question paper.

At the end of the examination,

1. fasten all your work securely together;
2. tick **8 Either** or **8 Or** in the grid-box to indicate the question answered.

You are advised to spend no longer than 1 hour on **Section A**, and no longer than 45 minutes on **Section B**. The intended number of marks is given in the brackets [] at the end of each question or part question.

The use of an approved scientific calculator is expected, where appropriate.

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- 6** A student carried out an investigation on cellular respiration.

Glucose was dissolved in boiled and cooled water, before the yeast culture was added. 10 cm³ of yeast culture in glucose solution was added each to test-tubes **A** and **B**.

In test-tube **B**, three drops of oil were carefully added to form a layer on the surface of the yeast culture. The apparatus was set up as shown in Fig. 6.1.

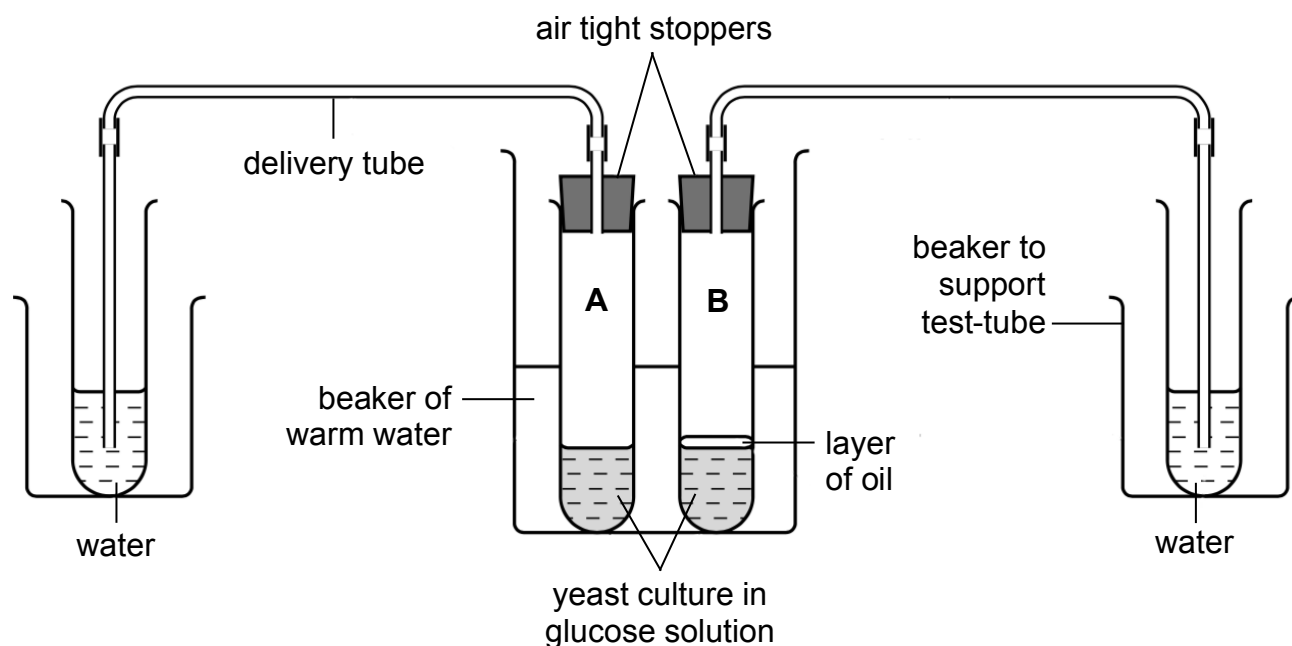


Fig. 6.1

[adapted from Biology March 2015/P6]

The appearance of the yeast cultures was recorded. The numbers of bubbles released from test-tubes **A** and **B** into the water were also counted and recorded.

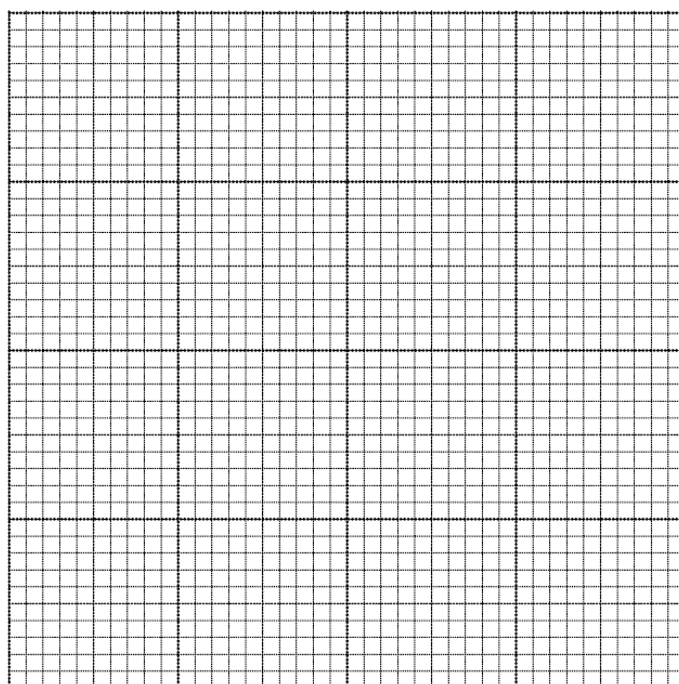
Observations and measurements were taken at five-minute intervals, the data was recorded in Table 6.1.

Table 6.1

time / min	appearances of yeast culture in A and B		number of bubbles released in one minute	
	A	B	A	B
0	some bubbles	no bubbles	0	0
5	foam starting to form on top	some bubbles	7	4
10	thick foam on top	foam starting to form below oil	12	7
15	thicker foam on top	thin foam below oil	16	9
20	foam 3.0 cm in depth	foam 0.5 cm in depth	20	10

- (a) (i) On the gridlines below, using the same set of axes, plot the number of bubbles released in one minute against time for test-tubes **A** and **B**.

Label each graph clearly.



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- (ii) Using Table 6.1, compare **and** explain by comparing the results and observations for test-tubes **A** and **B**.

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- (b) Suggest why the number of bubbles released per minute would decrease for both test-tubes **A** and **B** after a period of 24 hours.

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7 Ribulose 1,5-bisphosphate carboxylase/oxygenase (rubisco) is an important enzyme

involved in the light-independent stage of photosynthesis. This stage combines carbon dioxide (CO₂) with RuBP to form molecules essential for glucose production. The reaction steps are illustrated in Fig. 7.1.

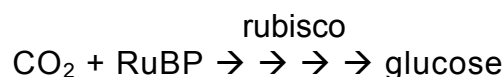


Fig. 7.1

In certain situations, the active site of rubisco becomes occupied by a sugar-phosphate group, making the enzyme inactive. Rubisco can become active again in the presence of another enzyme, rubisco phosphatase.

- (a) Write the overall chemical equation for photosynthesis.

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- (b) Suggest how rubisco phosphatase can activate rubisco.

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- (c) The rate of photosynthesis in some plants can be affected by a process known as photorespiration. In photorespiration, rubisco combines oxygen with RuBP.

During a particular botany research at high light intensities, the following observations were recorded:

- a decrease in the rate of photosynthesis,
- an increase in the rate of photorespiration.

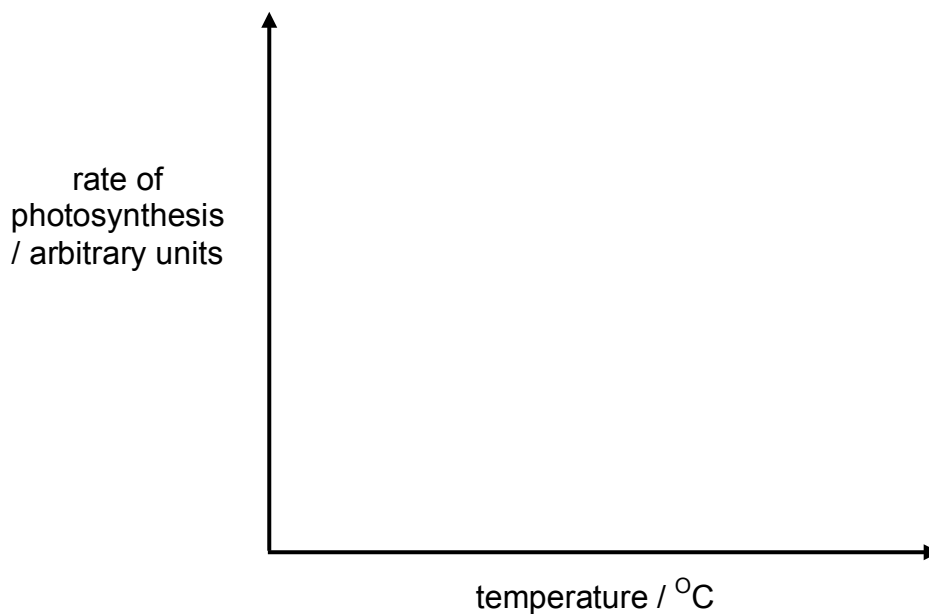
Suggest possible reasons for **both** changes in the rate of photosynthesis and photorespiration.

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- (d) (i) Sketch a line graph on the axes below to show the effect of temperature on the[4]

rate of photosynthesis.

Assume all other factors are kept constant.



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(ii) Explain the shape of your graph in (d) (i).

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Question 8 is in the form of an **Either/Or** question. Only **one** part should be answered.

The quality of written communication will be highly regarded in your answer to this question.

8 Either

- (a)** Describe the role of carbonic anhydrase in the excretion of carbon dioxide.

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- (b)** Define double circulation of blood in humans and explain its significance.

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[Total: 10]

8 Or

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