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Question	Answer	Mark
1(a)(i)	*(decisions on serial dilutions)* 1 correct concentrations of 0.5, 0.25, 0.125, 0.0625 + % ; 2 shows transfer of 10 cm^3 of 1% to next dilution + 10 cm^3 transferred from 2nd to 3rd beaker and from 3rd to 4th and from 4th to 5th + cm^3 ; 3 adds 10 cm^3 of water to each beaker ;	**3**
1(a)(ii)	*(decision)* volume of Benedict's solution equal to or greater than 2 cm^3 of reducing sugar ;	**1**
1(a)(iii)	*(recording results)* 1 table drawn + heading, percentage concentration of reducing sugar ; 2 heading, time + seconds ; 3 times recorded as whole seconds ;	**3**
1(a)(iv)	*(calculation)* 1 shows 1 divided by 42 ; 2 correct answer as 0.024 ;	**2**

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Question	Answer	Mark
1(a)(v)	*(decisions)* *two from* 1 states volume of Benedict's solution **;** 2 states volume of **M1 + M2 ;** 3 states temperature of water-bath **;**	**2**
1(a)(vi)	*(recording results)* records time in seconds for **M1 + M2 ;**	**1**
1(a)(vii)	*(interpretation)* 1 states percentage concentration of reducing sugar for **M1** (either known concentration or between known concentrations) **;** 2 states percentage concentration of reducing sugar for **M2** (either known concentration or between known concentrations) **;**	**2**
1(a)(viii)	*(conclusion)* **M2 +** no or very little reducing sugar **;**	**1**

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1(b)(i)	*(layout of data)* 1 (*x*-axis) time after drinking milk containing lactose / minutes **+** (*y*-axis) concentration of hydrogen in exhaled air / ppm **;** 2 (scale on *x*-axis) 20 to 2 cm, labelled at least each 2 cm **+** (scale on *y*-axis) 20 to 2 cm, labelled at least each 2 cm **;** 3 correct plotting of five points with a small cross or dot in circle **;** 4 five plots either joined point to point or as a smooth curve, drawn as a thin line **;**	**4**
1(b)(ii)	*(plan drawing)* 1 large size **+** no shading **;** 2 no cells **+** correct section drawn **+** appropriate detail of inner section **;** 3 outermost layer drawn as two lines **;** 4 draws gap between outer and inner layer **;**	**4**
	Total:	**23**

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2(a)(i)	*(layout of drawing)* 1 quality of line for outer wall of cells thin and sharp **+** minimum size at least 40 mm across largest cell **;** 2 only three cells drawn **+** each cell touching at least one of the other cells **;** 3 draws contents in at least one cell **;** 4 uses one label line **+** one label to cell wall **;**	**4**
2(a)(ii)	*(conclusion)* *(function)* photosynthesis **;** *(feature)* chloroplasts **;**	**2**
2(b)	*(observable differences)* organises comparison into three columns with one column for features, one headed **J1** and one headed **Fig. 2.1 ;** any three observable differences of comparison **; ; ;**	**4**
2(c)(i)	*(diameter of field of view)* records measurement within range **;**	**1**
2(c)(ii)	*(fraction of the diameter of the field of view)* estimates within range **;**	**1**

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2(c)(iii)	*(depth of midrib)* 1 shows answer to **(c)(i)** multiplied by answer to **(c)(ii)** **;** 2 decision to multiply by 1000 (to convert to μm) **;**	**2**
2(c)(iv)	*(improvements)* 1 reference to eyepiece graticule **+** stage micrometer **;** 2 measurement of midrib using eyepiece graticule **;** 3 reference to calibration of eyepiece graticule **;**	**3**
	Total:	**17**

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