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MARK SCHEME for the October/November 2012 series

0610 BIOLOGY

0610/53 Paper 5 (Practical Test), maximum raw mark 40

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Question	Mark scheme	Mark allocation	Guidance
1 (a)	**(i)** 1st reading for Table 1.1;	[1]	Units for time in seconds.
	(ii) 2nd and 3rd readings in Table 1.1;;	[2]	Units for time in seconds. *One mark for prac and one mark for trend*
	(iii) increased reliability; identify / reduce errors / anomalies; judging clotting first time / first reading may not be accurate; to check method / technique ; AVP	[max 2]	Ignore accuracy, average, mean.
(b)	Dried milk longer time to clot than fresh milk / ORA; credit data handling; milk contains less substrate / protein ; enzyme not so reactive; AVP;	[max 3]	Fresh milk results are based on candidates' entries in Table 1.1. Must have units.
(c)	Temperature control; Rate of enzyme activity affected; Water absorbs fluctuations / AW; AVP;	[2]	Fresh milk results are based on candidates' entries in Table 1.1.

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<td>(i) & (ii)
Source of error improvement
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<tr><td>Determining the end point;</td><td>Colorimeter to following clearing /AW;</td></tr>
<tr><td>Variation in milk protein / substrate;</td><td>Same origin for milk or mixing the milk before sampling;</td></tr>
<tr><td>Agitation / shaking;</td><td>Use a ‘shaker’;</td></tr>
<tr><td>Source of enzyme;</td><td>From same source;</td></tr>
<tr><td>Differences in apparatus / timing methods;</td><td>Appropriate improvements;</td></tr>
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<td>[1] & [1]</td>
<td>Error must be linked to improvement.
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<td>(e)</td>
<td>(i) safety – eye protection / lab coat / gloves;
equality of mass / volume;
test filtrate / whey and clots separately;
biuret reagent;
(blue) to purple / lilac / mauve / AW;
comparison on intensity / description of colours / faster or slower colour change;</td>
<td>[max 4]</td>
<td>A description of 2 stage method</td>
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<td>(ii)
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<tr><td></td><td>clots</td><td>liquid</td></tr>
<tr><td>observation</td><td>;</td><td>;</td></tr>
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<td>[4]</td>
<td>Check supervisor’s report</td>
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		[Total 20]	
2 (a)	**(i)** **O** outline; **S** size and proportion; **D** detail; **L** label;	[4]	Clear unbroken line and no shading.
	(ii) 2 from: (asexual) reproduction / storage / perennation / anchorage;	[2]	Ignore references to absorption as referring to roots and not the whole organ.
(b)	No colour change / stays brown or orange; No starch present;	[2]	
		[Total 8]	
3 (a)	use oxygen / taking in; soda lime absorbs carbon dioxide *produced* / *released*; volume decrease; drop in pressure / suction;	[4]	
(b)	**A** axes; **S** size; **P** correct plots; **L** line;	[4]	
(c)	Distance of bubble moved; increases with rise in temperature to 35°C; decreases with rise in temperature [in excess of 35°C]; 35°C is the best / optimum;	[3]	

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(d)	no soda lime / glass beads / other inert substance / dead maggots / no maggots;	[1]	
		[Total 12]	

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