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Paper 3 Advanced Practical Skills 1

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You must answer on the question paper.

You will need: The materials and apparatus listed in the confidential instructions

INSTRUCTIONS

- Answer all questions.
- Use a black or dark blue pen. You may use an HB pencil for any diagrams or graphs.
- Write your name, centre number and candidate number in the boxes at the top of the page.
- Write your answer to each question in the space provided.
- Do not use an erasable pen or correction fluid.
- Do not write on any bar codes.
- You may use a calculator.
- You should show all your working and use appropriate units.

INFORMATION

- The total mark for this paper is 40.
- The number of marks for each question or part question is shown in brackets [].

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1 Milk is sometimes contaminated with substances such as starch.

You will determine the concentration of starch in a sample of contaminated milk, using a range of starch standards.

You are provided with the materials shown in Table 1.1.

Table 1.1

labelled	contents	hazard	volume/cm ³	
М	milk	none	50	
SM	1.0% starch solution in milk (starch-milk)	none	20	
CM contaminated milk		none	20	
iodine	iodine iodine solution		20	

If any solution comes into contact with your skin, wash off immediately with cold water.

It is recommended that you wear suitable eye protection.

You will need to carry out a **serial** dilution of the 1.0% starch-milk solution, **SM**, to reduce the concentration by **one** fifth between each successive dilution.

You will need to prepare **four concentrations** of starch-milk solution in addition to the 1.0% starch-milk solution, **SM**.

You must use the milk, **M**, to dilute the starch-milk solution. Do **not** use water for the dilution.

After the serial dilution is completed, you will need to have 8 cm³ of each concentration available to use.

(a) (i) Complete Fig. 1.1 to show how you will prepare your serial dilution.

Each beaker should have:

- a labelled arrow to show the volume of starch-milk, SM, solution transferred
- a labelled arrow to show the volume of milk, M, added
- a label under the beaker to show the concentration of the starch-milk solution.

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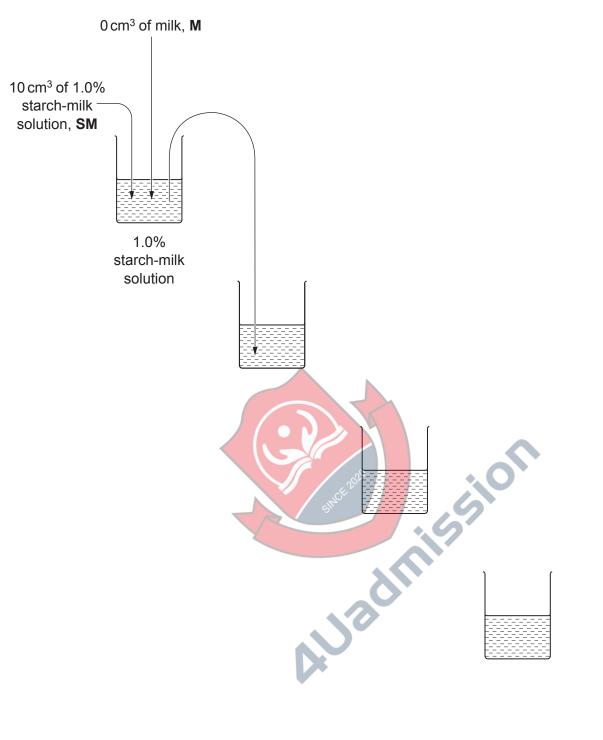




Fig. 1.1

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Carry out step 1 to step 11.

- Prepare the concentrations of starch-milk solution as shown in Fig. 1.1. step 1
- Label test-tubes with the concentrations prepared in step 1. step 2
- step 3 Put 1 cm³ of the 1.0% starch-milk solution into the appropriately labelled test-tube.
- step 4 Repeat step 3 with the remaining concentrations of starch-milk solution.
- Add 1 cm³ of iodine solution to each test-tube. Shake gently to mix. step 5
- Observe the colour in each test-tube and use the key in Fig. 1.2 to determine the colour step 6

Record in (a)(ii) the colour score for each concentration of starch-milk solution. step 7

colour of solution							
colour score	5	4	3	2	1	0	
(ii) Record your results in an appropriate table.							

[5]

To determine the concentration of starch in the contaminated milk, ${\bf CM}$, you will need to test a sample of ${\bf CM}$.
State the volume of CM that you will use.
volume =[1]
Label a test-tube CM .
Transfer the volume of CM that you stated in (a)(iii) into test-tube CM .
Put 1 cm ³ of iodine solution into the test-tube. Shake gently to mix.
Observe the colour in the test-tube, and use the key in Fig. 1.2 to determine the colour score.
Record the colour score for test-tube CM .
colour score for CM [1]
Use your results in (a)(ii) and (a)(iv) to determine the concentration of starch in the contaminated milk, CM.
concentration of starch in CM [1] Identify one source of error in step 6.
[1]
Suggest why milk is used to dilute the starch-milk solution rather than water.
[1]
Milk is sometimes contaminated with glucose.
Suggest how you would modify this investigation to determine the concentration of glucose in a sample of contaminated milk.
[2]

(b) Some people are intolerant to lactose in milk. The enzyme β -galactosidase is used to break down the lactose in milk.

In an investigation, equal quantities of β -galactosidase were added to different concentrations of lactose in milk. The rate of lactose breakdown was measured and recorded.

The results are shown in Table 1.2.

Table 1.2

concentration of lactose /mmol dm ⁻³	rate of reaction /arbitrary units
12	0.30
42	0.65
70	0.80
110	1.15
164	1.25
210	1.25

(i) Plot a graph of the data in Table 1.2 on the grid in Fig. 1.3.

Use a sharp pencil.



Fig. 1.3

(ii) Describe and explain the shape of the graph in Fig. 1.3.

description

explanation

[3]



- **2 J1** is a slide of a stained transverse section through a leaf.
 - (a) (i) Draw a large plan diagram of the region of the leaf on **J1** indicated by the shaded area in Fig. 2.1.

Use a sharp pencil.

Use **one** ruled label line and label to identify the lower epidermis.

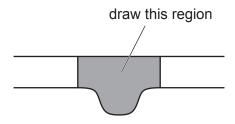


Fig. 2.1



(ii) Observe the xylem vessel elements in the leaf on J1.

Select a line of **four** adjacent xylem vessel elements.

Each xylem vessel element must touch at least **one** other xylem vessel element.

- Make a large drawing of this line of **four** xylem vessel elements.
- Use **one** ruled label line and label to identify the wall of **one** xylem vessel element.



(b) Fig. 2.2 is a photomicrograph of a transverse section through a different leaf from J1.



Fig. 2.2

(i) Identify **three** observable **differences**, other than colour, between the section on **J1** and the section in Fig. 2.2.

Record these three observable differences in Table 2.1.

Table 2.1

feature	J1	Fig. 2.2
	X	
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(ii) Fig. 2.3 shows a diagram of a stage micrometer scale that is being used to calibrate an eyepiece graticule.

The length of one division on this stage micrometer is 0.2 mm.

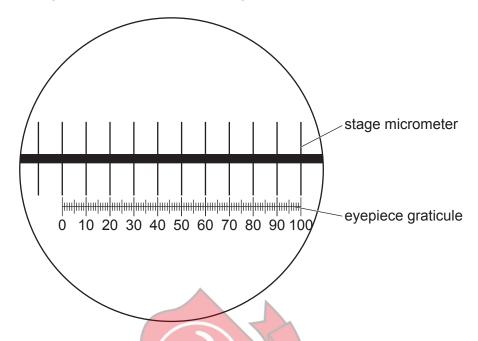


Fig. 2.3

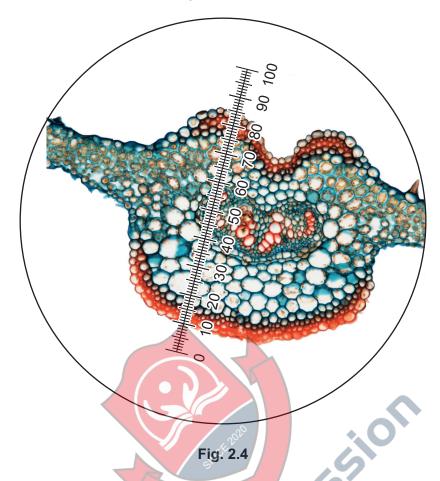
Use Fig. 2.3 to calculate the length of one eyepiece graticule unit.

Show your working.

Include the unit in your answer.

length of one eyepiece graticule unit =[3]

(iii) Fig. 2.4 shows the same eyepiece graticule and same lenses being used to measure the width of the section shown in Fig. 2.2.



Use your answer in (b)(ii) to calculate the actual width of the section shown in Fig. 2.4.

Show your working.

actual width of the section[2]

[Total: 18]

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