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## BIOLOGY

9700/51

Paper 5 Planning, Analysis and Evaluation

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1 hour 15 minutes

You must answer on the question paper.

No additional materials are needed.

### INSTRUCTIONS

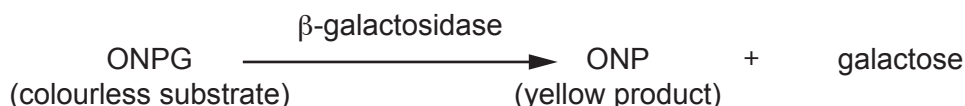
- Answer **all** questions.
- Use a black or dark blue pen. You may use an HB pencil for any diagrams or graphs.
- Write your name, centre number and candidate number in the boxes at the top of the page.
- Write your answer to each question in the space provided.
- Do **not** use an erasable pen or correction 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 30.
- The number of marks for each question or part question is shown in brackets [ ].

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- 1 The enzyme  $\beta$ -galactosidase catalyses the breakdown of the compound ONPG (o-nitrophenyl 1-D-galactopyranoside) to the compound ONP (o-nitrophenyl), as shown in Fig. 1.1.



**Fig. 1.1**

As ONP is produced, the colour of the reaction mixture changes to yellow. The intensity of the yellow colour produced is proportional to the concentration of ONP.

A colorimeter is used to measure the absorbance of the reaction mixture. Absorbance is a measure of the light absorbed by a coloured solution. In the reaction shown in Fig. 1.1, the more intense the yellow colour, the higher the absorbance.

- (a) A student was provided with a stock solution of the enzyme  $\beta$ -galactosidase. The student diluted this by a factor of 20 using a buffer solution of pH 8. The student made a final volume of  $10\text{ cm}^3$  of dilute  $\beta$ -galactosidase solution.

Describe how the student prepared the  $10\text{ cm}^3$  of diluted  $\beta$ -galactosidase solution.

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The student investigated the effect of substrate concentration on the enzyme-catalysed reaction shown in Fig. 1.1.

- (b) The student was provided with:

- the diluted  $\beta$ -galactosidase solution prepared in step (a), which was kept cold until needed
- a stock solution of 1.0% ONPG made up in a buffered solution of pH 8.0
- a buffer solution of pH 8.0.

The procedure used by the student is outlined in step 1 to step 3.

1. The diluted  $\beta$ -galactosidase solution was mixed with 1.0% ONPG solution.
2. After 2 minutes a colorimeter was used to measure the absorbance of this mixture.
3. Steps 1 and 2 were repeated using different concentrations of ONPG solution.

- (i) Suggest why the student used a colorimeter to measure the absorbance rather than judging the intensity of the colour by eye.

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- (ii) Identify the independent variable and the dependent variable in this investigation.

independent variable .....

dependent variable ..... [2]

The student used the absorbance values at 2 minutes as the initial rates of reaction.

Fig. 1.2 shows the results.

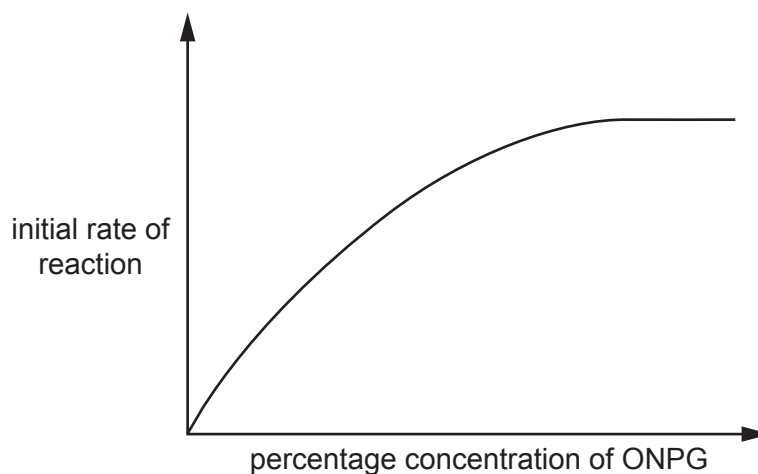


Fig. 1.2

- (c) The student decided to investigate the effect of inhibitors on the reaction shown in Fig. 1.1. The student planned to add an inhibitor, inhibitor **X**, to reaction mixtures containing different concentrations of ONPG solution.
- (i) Describe a method the student could use to collect the data needed to test the effect of inhibitor **X** in reaction mixtures containing different concentrations of ONPG solution.

The description of your method should be set out in a logical way and be detailed enough for another person to follow.

You should **not** repeat the details from (a) describing how to dilute the stock solution of  $\beta$ -galactosidase.

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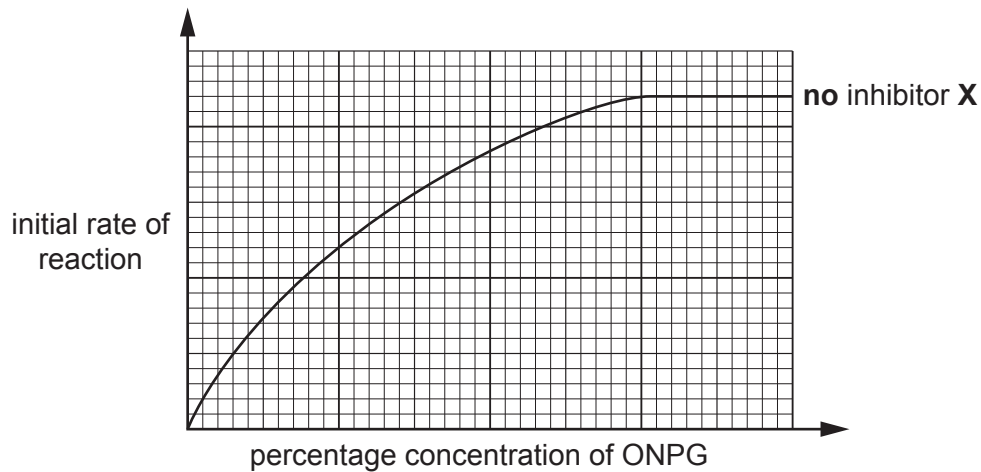
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Fig. 1.3 shows the results when **no** inhibitor **X** was added.



**Fig. 1.3**

The student suggested that inhibitor **X** was acting as a **competitive** inhibitor.

- (ii) On Fig. 1.3, sketch the curve expected if inhibitor **X** was acting as a competitive inhibitor. [2]

$V_{max}$  is the maximum initial rate of reaction of the enzyme.

The Michaelis-Menten constant,  $K_m$ , is the substrate concentration at which the initial rate of reaction is half its maximum value,  $V_{max}$ .

- (iii) Draw on Fig. 1.3 the positions of  $V_{max}$  and  $K_m$  of the enzyme when **no** inhibitor **X** is present. [2]

- (iv) Use your graph to describe the effect of the addition of inhibitor **X** on the  $K_m$  of this enzyme.

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- (d) Acid reflux is a condition where some of the stomach contents are forced back up into the oesophagus (gullet). The main symptom is a burning pain in the oesophagus due to the acidic contents of the stomach. Acid reflux that happens more than twice a week is called gastroesophageal reflux disease (GERD).

Two main types of drug are used to treat GERD:

- proton pump inhibitors (PPIs)
- $H_2$  receptor antagonists ( $H_2$ RAs).

Scientists carried out trials to investigate the effect of these drugs on the relief of acid reflux symptoms in people suffering with GERD.

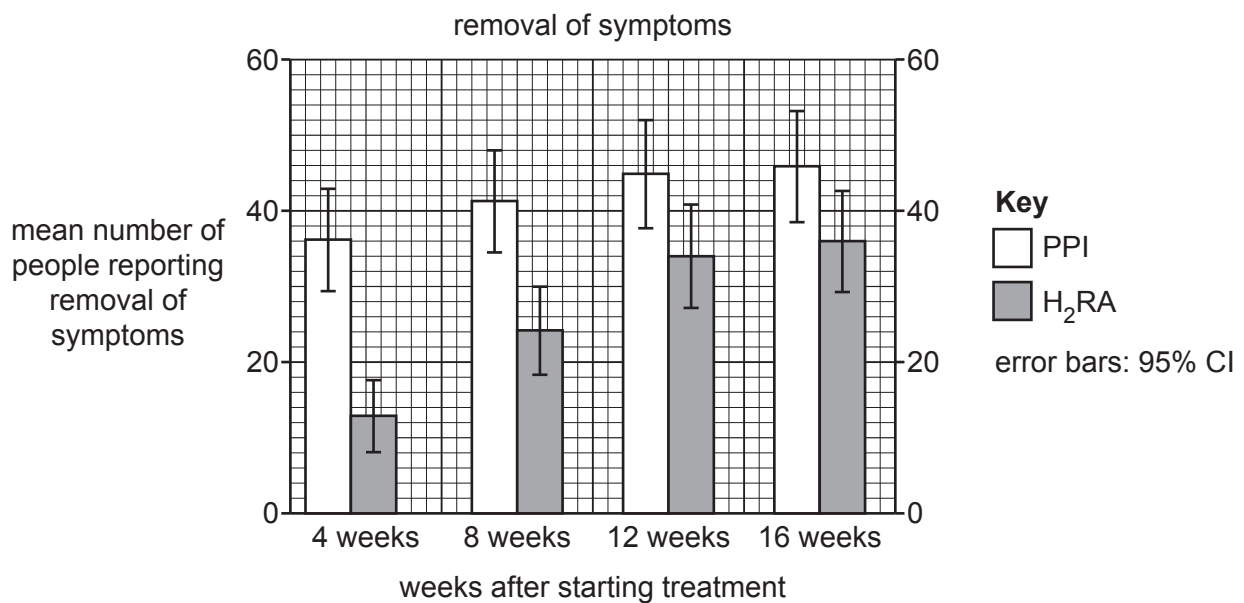
- 200 people were randomly divided into two groups, **A** and **B**.
- People in group **A** were given the PPI medication.
- People in group **B** were given the H<sub>2</sub>RA medication.
- The trial lasted for 16 weeks.
- In weeks 4, 8, 12 and 16, the people were asked to score their symptoms, using the scale shown in Table 1.1.

**Table 1.1**

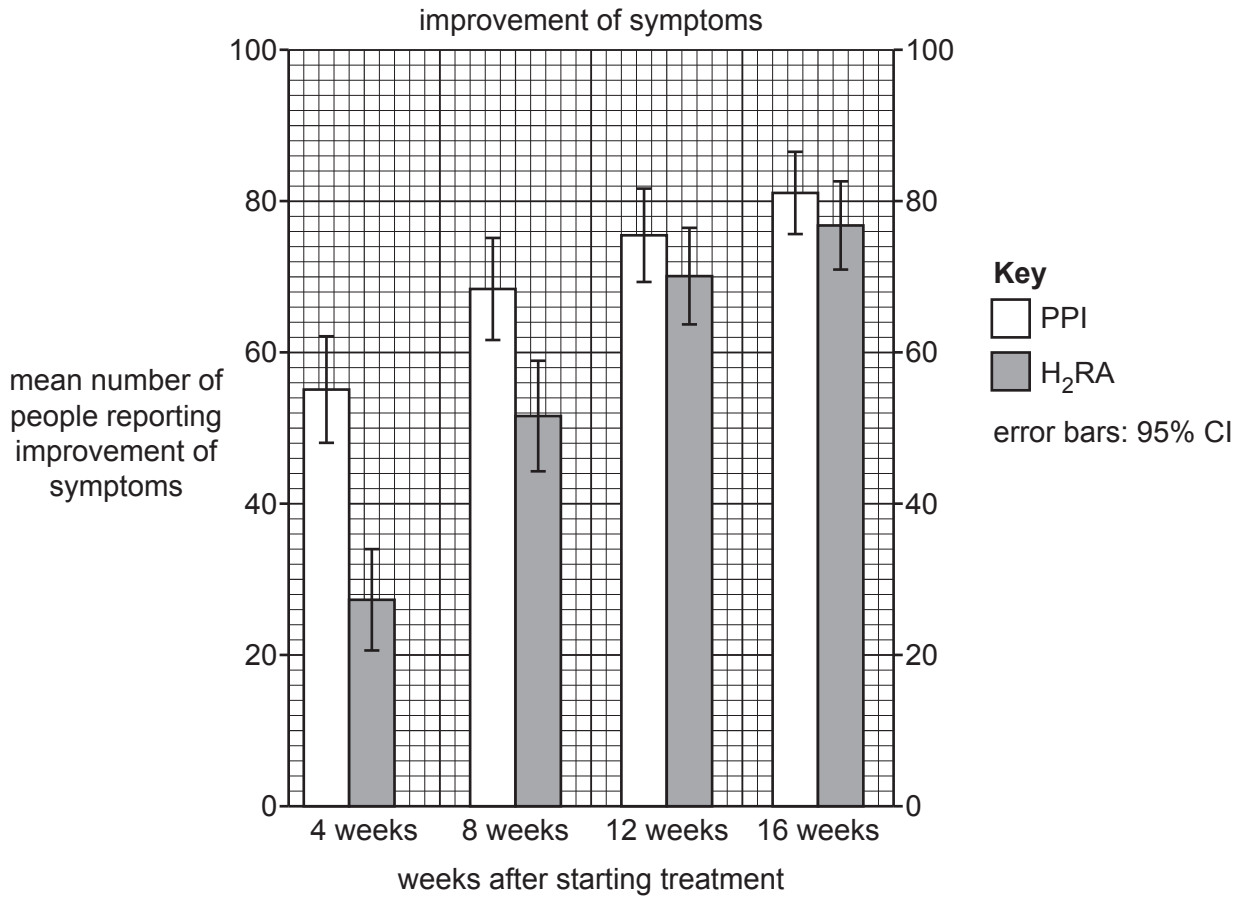
scale	symptom
1	none
2	minimal
3	mild
4	moderate
5	moderately severe
6	severe
7	very severe

- Mean values for each of the treatments **A** and **B** were calculated for weeks 4, 8, 12 and 16.
- People with a score of 1 were classified as showing **removal of symptoms**.
- People with a score of 2 or 3 were classed as showing **improvement of symptoms**.

The results of these trials are shown in Fig. 1.4 and Fig. 1.5.



**Fig. 1.4**



**Fig. 1.5**

The scientists analysed the data and concluded that PPIs should be used to treat acid reflux rather than H<sub>2</sub>RAs.

With reference to the data in Fig. 1.4 and Fig. 1.5, discuss the conclusion that PPIs should be used to treat acid reflux.

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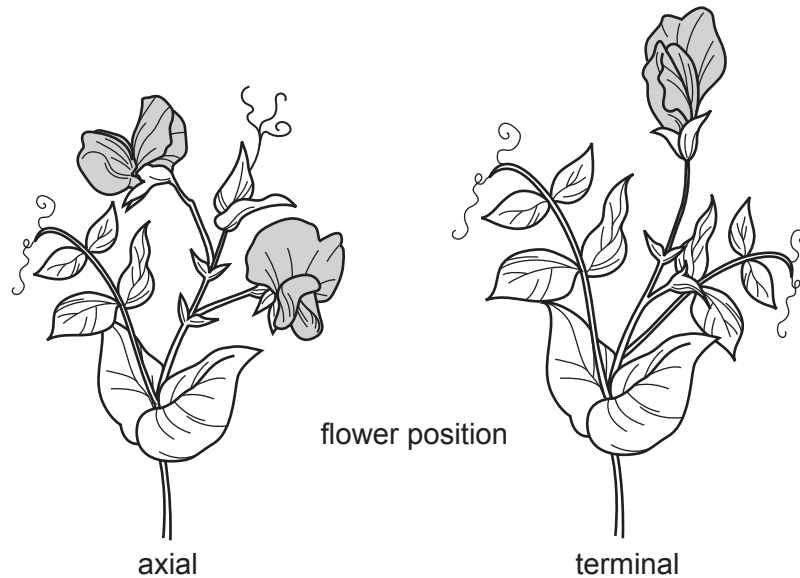
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2 Inheritance of flower colour and flower position in pea plants are controlled by two genes.

- Gene **P/p** controls flower colour. Allele **P** for purple flowers is dominant to allele **p** for white flowers.
- Gene **A/a** controls flower position. Allele **A** for flowers growing from the side of the shoot (axial position) is dominant to allele **a** for flowers growing at the end of the shoot (terminal position), as shown in Fig. 2.1.



**Fig. 2.1**

A biologist predicted that, if the genes are on **different** chromosomes, the ratio of the phenotypes of the F<sub>2</sub> generation would be 9:3:3:1.

The biologist carried out a breeding experiment.

- Plants homozygous for white flowers and axial position were crossed with plants homozygous for purple flowers and axial position.
- All the F<sub>1</sub> plants had purple, axial flowers.
- The F<sub>1</sub> plants were crossed with each other.

Table 2.1 shows the results for the F<sub>2</sub> generation.

**Table 2.1**

F <sub>2</sub> phenotype	frequency
purple, axial flowers	1756
purple, terminal flowers	653
white, axial flowers	702
white, terminal flowers	234
<b>total</b>	<b>3345</b>



(a) The chi-squared test ( $\chi^2$  test) was used to analyse the data in Table 2.1.

(i) State **one** reason why the chi-squared test ( $\chi^2$  test) was used.

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(ii) State the null hypothesis that the biologist would use for this test.

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(iii) Complete Table 2.2 **and** calculate the value of  $\chi^2$  for the results of the F2 generation.

The equation for the calculation of  $\chi^2$  is:

$$\chi^2 = \sum \frac{(O - E)^2}{E}$$

O = observed result

E = expected result

$\sum$  = sum of

**Table 2.2**

offspring phenotype	O	E	$\frac{(O - E)^2}{E}$
purple, axial flowers	1756		
purple, terminal flowers	653		
white, axial flowers	702		
white, terminal flowers	234		
		$\chi^2 =$	

[3]

Table 2.3 shows some critical values of  $\chi^2$  at different probability levels.

**Table 2.3**

degrees of freedom	probability (p)			
	0.10	0.05	0.01	0.001
1	2.71	3.84	6.64	10.83
2	4.61	5.99	9.21	13.82
3	6.25	7.82	11.34	16.27
4	7.78	9.49	13.28	18.46

(iv) State the critical value at  $p < 0.05$  for this  $\chi^2$  test. .... [1]

(v) Use your calculated value of chi-squared ( $\chi^2$ ) to:

- explain whether the null hypothesis should be accepted or rejected

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- suggest a conclusion the biologist could make about the inheritance of the genes controlling flower colour and flower position in pea plants.

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