

Cell biology

Eukaryotes and prokaryotes

- 1 a Nucleus B; cytoplasm C.
 - b Any two from: This cell has a nucleus, or prokaryotic cells do not have a nucleus; This cell has does not have a cell wall, or prokaryotic cells have a cell wall; This cell does not contain plasmids, or prokaryotic cells can contain plasmids.
 - **c** $1.2 \times 1000 = 1200 \,\mu\text{m}$
 - **d** 0.6 mm

Animal and plant cells

- Absorbs sunlight for photosynthesis

 Chloroplasts; Provides strength to the cell – Cellulose cell wall; Filled with cell sap to keep the plant turgid – Permanent vacuole.
- **2 a** A, cellulose cell wall; B, chloroplast; C, nucleus.
 - b Cells near the top of a leaf have more chloroplasts to absorb more sunlight; for photosynthesis.

Microscopy

The cells are not plant cells; There are no visible cellulose cell walls, permanent vacuole or chloroplasts.

b Magnification =
$$\frac{5 cm}{0.5 \mu m} = \frac{50000 \mu m}{0.5 \mu m}$$

= $\times 100000$

- 2 Higher magnification/resolution; Able to see sub-cellular structures clearly/in detail.
- 3 Size of image = magnification \times size of real object;

$$= 200 \times 10;$$

 $= 2000 \, \mu m$ or $2 \, mm$.

Using a light microscope

- 1 a Move the lowest magnification objective lens over the specimen; Move the stage by moving the course focus, until the cells are in focus; Move the objective lens to a higher magnification, and focus using the fine focus.
 - **b** ×400

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	Number of cells after 12 hours			
	1	2	3	Mean
With mitotic inhibitor	12	10	11	11
Without mitotic inhibitor	108	110	106	108

 Any two from: Type of cells; Starting number of cells; Temperature; Volume of nutrient broth/culture medium.

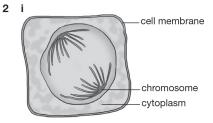
 Use different concentrations of mitotic inhibitor.

Cell specialisation and differentiation

- 1 a Many mitochondria
 - **b** Any two from: Xylem cells; Phloem cells; Muscle cells.
 - c The phloem cells are joined end to end to form a tube; The sugars can pass through the sieve plates.
- 2 a A cell that is undifferentiated and can become any type of cell.
 - **b** Embryo
 - c Take stem cells and grow them in a laboratory; Expose cells to chemicals/hormones to make them differentiate into a type of specialised cell; Grow the specialised cells on a Petri dish so that they form tissues; Use the tissues to form the new organ.

Mitosis and the cell cycle

- 1 a G2 phase Chromosomes are checked; S phase – Chromosomes are replicated; M phase – The cell divides into two daughter cells.
 - b So that when the cell divides during mitosis; each daughter cell has the correct number of sub-cellular structures.



 The replicated chromosomes are separating; to the opposite sides of the cell.

Stem cells

- **1** B
- 2 Any two from: Replacing/repair of cells; Growth; Used in medical research/ treatments; Meristem used in plant cloning.
- 3 Meristem tissue
- 4 Stem cells can be used to make organs for transplants, so there is no waiting time for organ donors; However, there is an ethical objection to using embryos, as they could potentially grow into humans/animals; Using stem cells in medical treatments means that the body will not reject the cells;

but there is a risk of transfer of viral infection from putting stem cells into the body.

Diffusion

- 1 a Diffusion is the spreading out of the particles of any substance in solution, or particles of a gas; resulting in a net movement from an area of higher concentration to an area of lower concentration.
 - b Any one from: In the lungs for exchange of oxygen/carbon dioxide; In the small intestines for the movement of the products of digestion.

$$96:64 = 3:2 = 1.5:1;$$

Organism B has the smallest surface area to volume ratio.

b They cannot get all the substances they need by diffusion alone; They need to increase the rate of diffusion; by increasing the surface area/providing a short diffusion pathway.

Osmosis

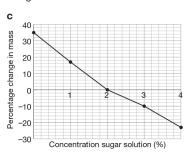
- 1 Osmosis is the diffusion of water from a dilute solution to a concentrated solution; through a partially permeable membrane.
- 2 From inside the cell to outside the cell.

3 Percentage increase =
$$\frac{(14-10)}{10} \times \frac{100\%}{10}$$

- 4 a 3% sugar solution; because the plotted line crosses the x-axis at 3%.
 - **b** The same volume of water left the cell as moved into the cell.

Investigating the effect of a range of concentrations of salt or sugar solutions on the mass of plant tissue

- 1 a In order, the percentage change is: 16.7; 0.0; -25.0; -34.1
 - No units in third column; should be (g). 4 in second column; should be given as 4.0



d -14%