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Question	Answer	Marks
1(a)(i)	regular intervals + at least 5 times;	1
1(a)(ii)	top of arrow to appropriate height;	2
	bottom of arrow to appropriate height;	
1(b)(i)	1 table drawn + heading pH;	4
	2 heading height of foam + mm;	
	3 records results for at least three times + 5 pH values;	
	4 height of foam recorded as whole millimetres;	
1(b)(ii)	shows maximum height of foam for pH 5 divided by time;	2
	answer to the appropriate degree of accuracy;	
1(b)(iii)	decides whether temperature was a significant source of error;	1
1(b)(iv)	states the height of foam for U;	1

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Question	Answer	Marks
1(b)(v)	estimates the correct pH using the result stated in (b)(iv);	1
1(b)(vi)	states at least five concentrations of hydrogen peroxide;	3
	concentrations of hydrogen peroxide prepared by proportional dilution or serial dilution;	
	describes counting the number of bubbles or collecting the volume of oxygen using displacement of water or alternative correct method;	
1(c)(i)	1 (x-axis) temperature °C + (y-axis) rate of enzyme activity / arbitrary units;	4
	2 (scale on x-axis) 10.0 to 2 cm, labelled at least each 2 cm + (scale on y-axis) 10.0 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, joined plot to plot + thin line drawn;	
1(c)(ii)	correct reference to optimum temperature + 16°C;	3
	as temperature increase more enzyme substrate complexes form or correct reference to kinetic energy;	
	after a specific temperature enzyme denatured;	

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Question	Answer	Marks
2(a)(i)	1 plan diagram of appropriate size + no cells;	6
	2 correct section drawn;	
	3 draws tissues in the part of the vascular ring below R;	
	4 draws detail of tissues at the top of R correctly;	
	5 draws tissues beneath the epidermis correctly;	
	6 uses one label line + one label to identify the epidermis;	
2(a)(ii)	1 quality of line for outer wall of cells + cells of appropriate size;	5
	2 only four cells drawn, each cell of the group touching at least two of the other cells;	
	3 cell walls drawn as two lines close together;	
	4 a cell drawn with 5 sides or more;	
	5 uses one label line + one label, C , to identify a structure made of cellulose;	

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Question	Answer	Marks
2(b)(i)	correct measurement of line X;	3
	records correct units;	
	correct answer shown to appropriate degree of accuracy;	
2(b)(ii)	states only observable differences;	4
	any three observable differences of comparison ;;; e.g. on J1 the vascular tissue is positioned in the shape of a ring while the vascular bundles in Fig. 2.2. are distributed throughout the stem	

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