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Q1.

Enzymes are involved in the breakdown of carbohydrates.

The enzyme amylase breaks down the polysaccharide amylose into maltose.

How many of these statements are true for amylose?

(1)

- It contains 1,6 glycosidic bonds
- It contains 1,4 glycosidic bonds
- It has a helical structure
- It has a branched structure

☒ **A** 1

☒ **B** 2

☒ **C** 3

☒ **D** 4

(Total for question = 1 mark)

Q2.

Answer the question with a cross in the box you think is correct ☒. If you change your mind about an answer, put a line through the box ☒ and then mark your new answer with a cross ☒.

Lipids and carbohydrates are used as respiratory substrates.

The respiration of lipids generates more ATP than the respiration of carbohydrates.

The table shows bonds that may be found in carbohydrates and lipids.

Which box in each row shows whether the bond may be found in these molecules?

(3)

Bond	Molecule that bond may be found in			
	carbohydrate only	lipid only	both carbohydrate and lipid	neither carbohydrate nor lipid
covalent	☐	☐	☐	☐
ester	☐	☐	☐	☐
hydrogen	☐	☐	☐	☐

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Q3.

An investigation was carried out to compare the aerobic respiration of different sugars by yeast.

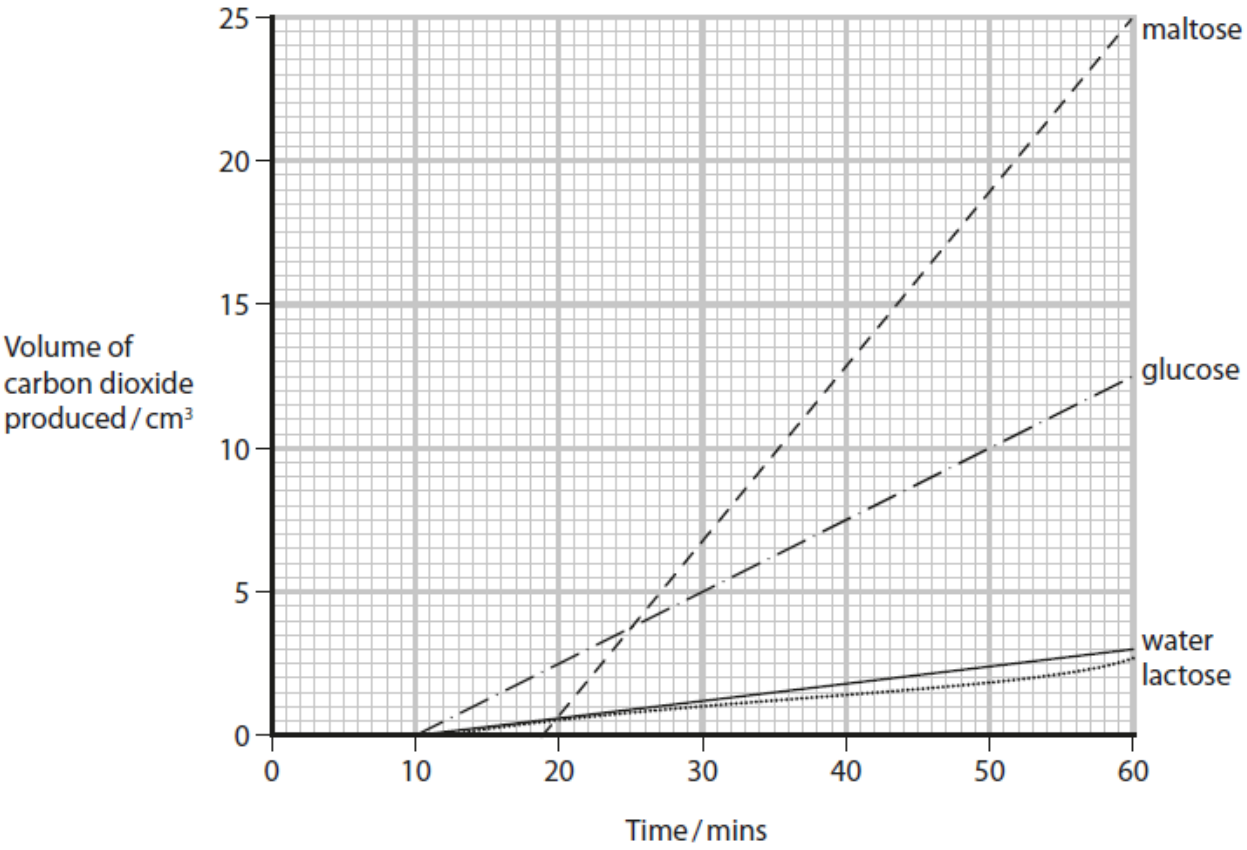
A suspension of yeast was used to produce three cultures, each one with a different sugar.

A control was set up that had a suspension of yeast cultured with water only.

The volume of carbon dioxide produced was measured.

The mass of yeast and the concentration of each sugar were controlled.

The graph shows the results of this investigation.



(i) Give one difference between the structure of glucose and the structure of maltose.

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(ii) Explain the results for the yeast cultured with glucose and the yeast cultured with maltose.

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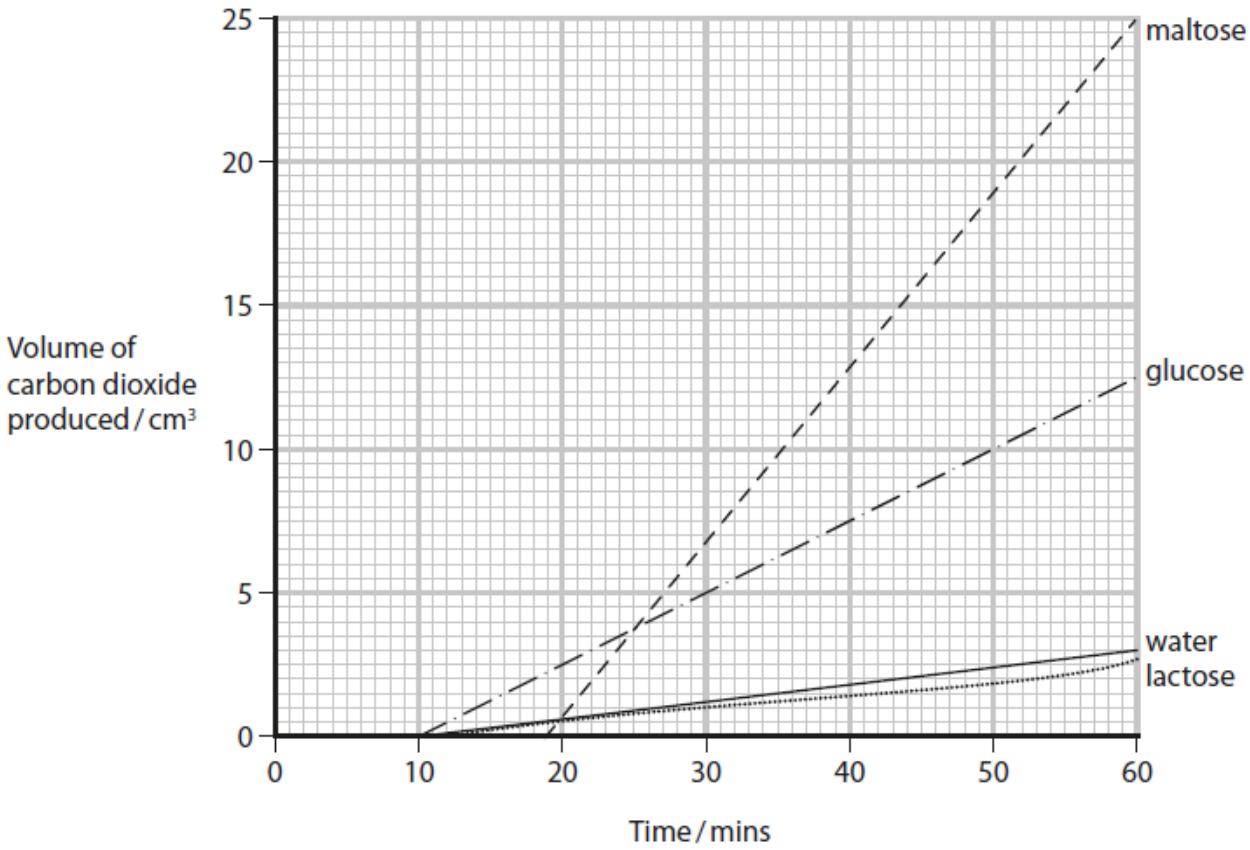
A suspension of yeast was used to produce three cultures, each one with a different sugar.

A control was set up that had a suspension of yeast cultured with water only.

The volume of carbon dioxide produced was measured.

The mass of yeast and the concentration of each sugar were controlled.

The graph shows the results of this investigation.



Explain the results for the yeast cultured with lactose.

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(Total for question = 2 marks)

Q5.

A student investigated the effect of the concentration of sodium chloride solution on blood.

The student set up six test tubes, each with a different concentration of sodium chloride solution.

Five drops of blood were added to each test tube.

The appearance of the solutions was then recorded.

Samples of each solution were observed using a light microscope.

The table shows the results of this investigation.

Concentration of sodium chloride (%)	Appearance of solution after blood was added	Observation with light microscope
3.0	very cloudy	cells seen with shrunken edges
1.0	very cloudy	cells seen
0.9	very cloudy	cells seen
0.7	slightly cloudy	cells seen
0.5	cloudy at first, then went clear	no cells seen
0.3	clear	no cells seen

The student then investigated the effect of using glucose solutions and sucrose solutions, instead of sodium chloride solutions.

The appearance of the solutions was recorded and samples were observed using a light microscope.

When the concentration of glucose solution was below 3%, the solution was clear and no blood cells could be seen. When the concentration of glucose solution was above 3%, the solution was cloudy and blood cells could be seen.

When the concentration of sucrose solution was below 6%, the solution was also clear and no blood cells could be seen. When the concentration of sucrose solution was above 6%, the solution was cloudy and blood cells could be seen.

Explain the differences in the effects of the solutions of glucose and sucrose.

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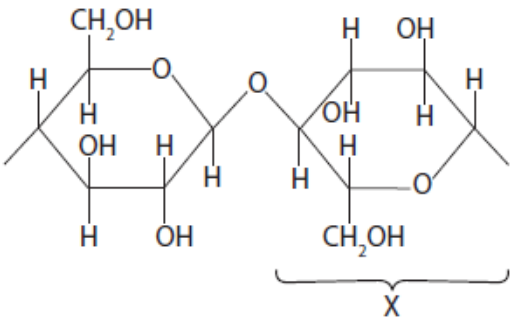
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In Kenya, an in-situ conservation project has been set up to make paper from elephant dung.

This project aims to help conserve elephant populations, conserve biodiversity and help local communities.

Paper is produced from cellulose molecules present in elephant dung.

The diagram shows part of a cellulose molecule.



(i) Which of the following is the name of the monomer labelled X on the diagram?

(1)

☒ **A** α glucose

☒ **B** β glucose

☒ **C** α ribose

☒ **D** β ribose

(ii) Draw one of the products of the hydrolysis of this part of the cellulose molecule.

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(iii) Explain how the structure of cellulose is adapted for its function in plant cell walls.

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(Total for question = 6 marks)

Q7.

Chemical control in plants is brought about by plant growth substances such as auxins.

Auxins cause elongation of cells.

Auxins weaken the bonds between molecules found in cell walls. Molecules found in cell walls include cellulose and hemicellulose.

(i) Which of the following statements about cellulose molecules is correct?

(1)

☒ **A** they are branched polymers

☒ **B** they contain α-glucose

☒ **C** they are bonded to each other by hydrogen bonds

☒ **D** they contain 1,6 glycosidic bonds

(ii) The following statements relate to calcium pectate:

1. found in the middle lamella

2. cell walls together

3. prevents the movement of water

Which of the following is correct for calcium pectate?

(1)

☒ **A** statement 1 and statement 2

☒ **B** statement 1 and statement 3

☒ **C** statement 2 only

☒ **D** statement 3 only

(Total for question = 2 marks)

Q8.

Glucose and fructose are monosaccharides.

The makers of sweet tasting drinks use the enzyme glucose isomerase to convert glucose into fructose.

Fructose is a monosaccharide that tastes much sweeter than glucose.

(i) Explain a possible health benefit of converting glucose into fructose for use in sweet tasting drinks.

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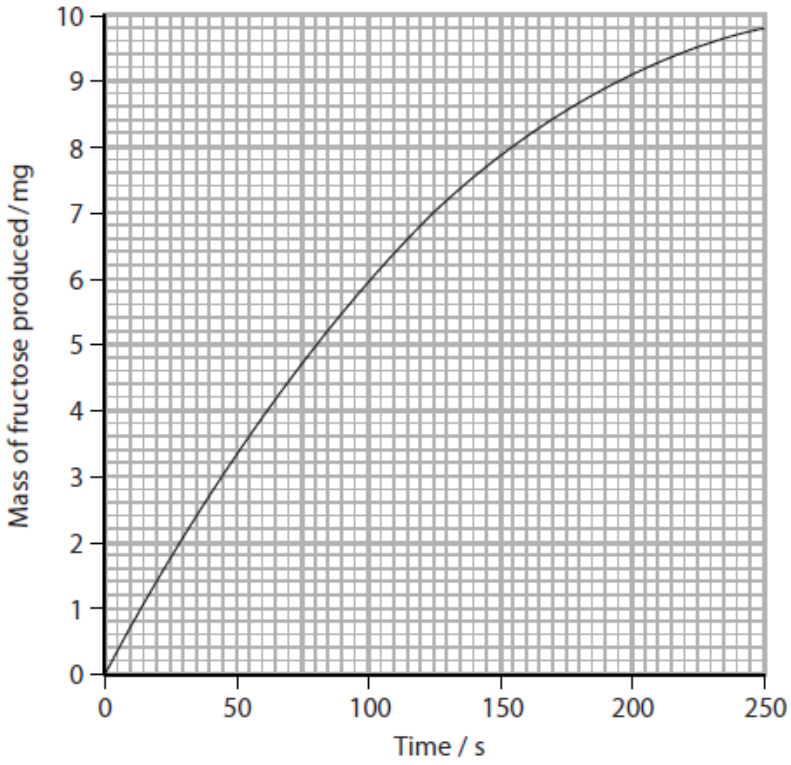
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(ii) A student investigated the activity of glucose isomerase.

The graph shows the results of this investigation.



Determine the initial rate of the reaction.

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(iii) Cofactors are non-protein molecules that help enzymes to function.

Magnesium ions act as cofactors for some enzymes.

Devise an experiment to investigate the effect of magnesium ions on the initial rate of this reaction.

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Q9.

Answer the questions with a cross in the boxes you think are correct ☒. If you change your mind about an answer, put a line through the box ☒ and then mark your new answer with a cross ☒.

Adrenaline is a hormone that stimulates the breakdown of glycogen into glucose.

(i) Which of the following describes this breakdown?

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☒ **A** condensation reaction breaking glycosidic bonds

☒ **B** condensation reaction breaking phosphodiester bonds

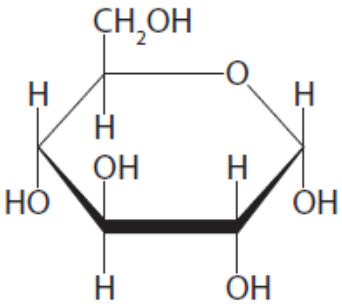
☒ **C** hydrolysis reaction breaking glycosidic bonds

☒ **D** hydrolysis reaction breaking phosphodiester bonds

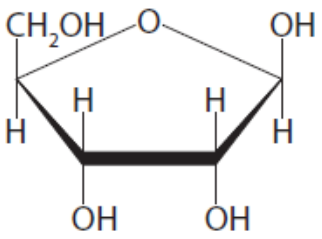
(ii) Which diagram shows the structure of the glucose produced?

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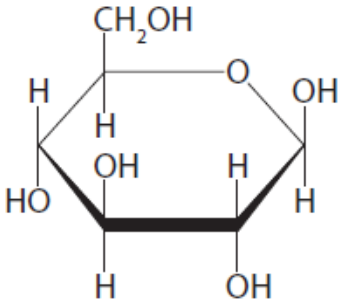
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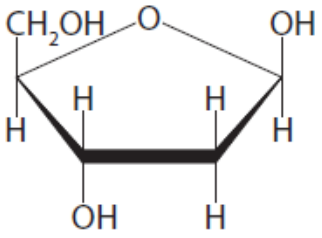
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☒ **B**



☒ **D**



(iii) Explain how the structure of glycogen is related to its function.

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Q10.

Fungi break down dead plant and animal material in ecosystems.

Some types of fungi produce cellulase enzymes. These enzymes break down cellulose.

The breakdown of cellulose can be detected using Benedict's solution.
This solution turns red if monomers from the breakdown of cellulose are present.

(a) State the type of reaction catalysed by cellulase to break down cellulose.

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(b) Describe the structure of the monomer produced when cellulose is broken down.

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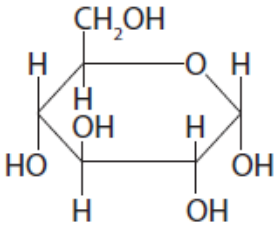
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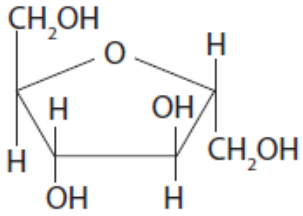
Glucose is broken down by respiration and produces ATP as a source of energy for metabolic reactions in cells.

The diagram shows the structure of four carbohydrates.

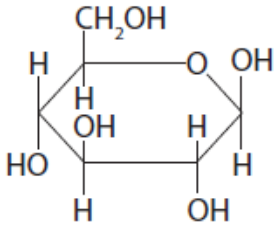
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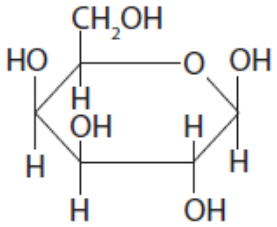
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Which of the structures is beta glucose?

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- ☒ **A**
- ☒ **B**
- ☒ **C**
- ☒ **D**

Q12.

Many of the chemicals found in living organisms are polymers.

Which of the following molecules are all polymers?

(1)

- ☒ **A** polypeptides, nucleotides, starch
- ☒ **B** polypeptides, starch, lipids
- ☒ **C** proteins, carbohydrates, lipids
- ☒ **D** proteins, nucleic acids, starch

Q13.

Answer the question with a cross in the box you think is correct ☒. If you change your mind about an answer, put a line through the box ☒ and then mark your new answer with a cross ☒.

Bacteria were cultured in two different types of medium.

One medium contained glucose as the energy source and the other contained sucrose.

The same molar concentrations of glucose and sucrose were used.

Which row of the table identifies these sugars?

(1)

	Glucose	Sucrose
☒ **A**	monosaccharide	monosaccharide
☒ **B**	monosaccharide	disaccharide
☒ **C**	disaccharide	disaccharide
☒ **D**	disaccharide	monosaccharide

(Total for question = 1 mark)

Q14.

Mitochondria and chloroplasts in eukaryotic cells are thought to have originated millions of years ago by a process called endosymbiosis.

In endosymbiosis, free-living prokaryotic organisms were engulfed by their new host cells.

The table shows the lipid composition of the membranes of these two organelles.

Type of lipid	Percentage of total lipid composition of membranes (%)	
	In mitochondria	In chloroplasts
phosphatidyl A	43	0
phosphatidyl B	35	0
phosphatidyl C	6	1
phosphatidyl D	3	7
phosphatidyl E	13	0
monogalactosyldiacylglycerol F	0	55
digalactosyldiacylglycerol G	0	24
sulfolipid H	0	8

(i) Analyse the data and use your knowledge to explain why these two organelles are thought to have originated from different prokaryotic organisms.

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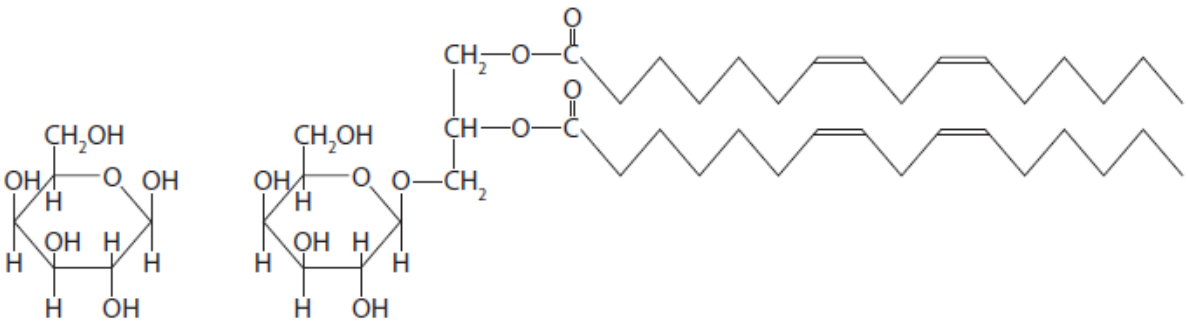
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(ii) Digalactosyldiacylglycerol (DGDG) is synthesised from galactose and monogalactosyldiacylglycerol (MGDG).

The galactose forms a 1,6 glycosidic bond with the MGDG.

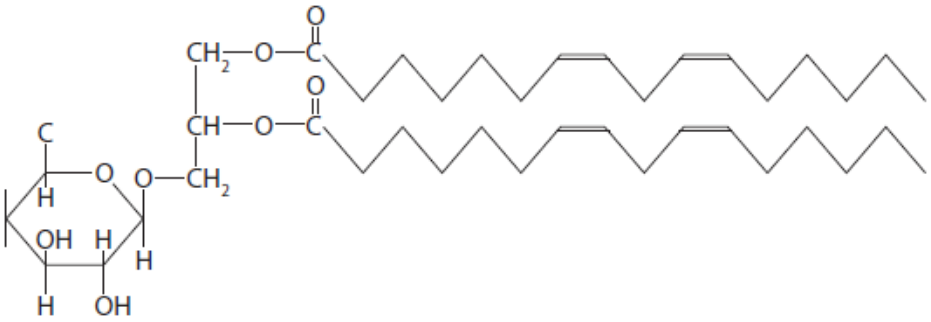
The diagram shows the structure of galactose and MGDG.



galactose MGDG

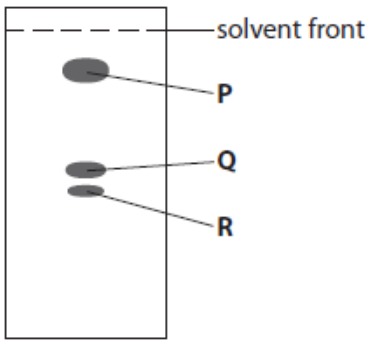
Complete the diagram below to show the structures of the products formed when DGDG is synthesised from galactose and MGDG.

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(iii) Chromatography can be used to separate MGDG, DGDG and sulfolipid extracted from chloroplasts.

The diagram shows the position of these three lipids, **P**, **Q** and **R**, on a chromatogram.



Which row in the table identifies the position of these three lipids in this chromatogram ?

(1)

	Lipid in position P	Lipid in position Q	Lipid in position R
☒ **A**	DGDG	sulfolipid	MGDG
☒ **B**	MGDG	DGDG	sulfolipid
☒ **C**	sulfolipid	DGDG	MGDG
☒ **D**	sulfolipid	MGDG	DGDG

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Q15.

Many of the chemicals found in living organisms are polymers.

Which of the following molecules is made of different monosaccharides?

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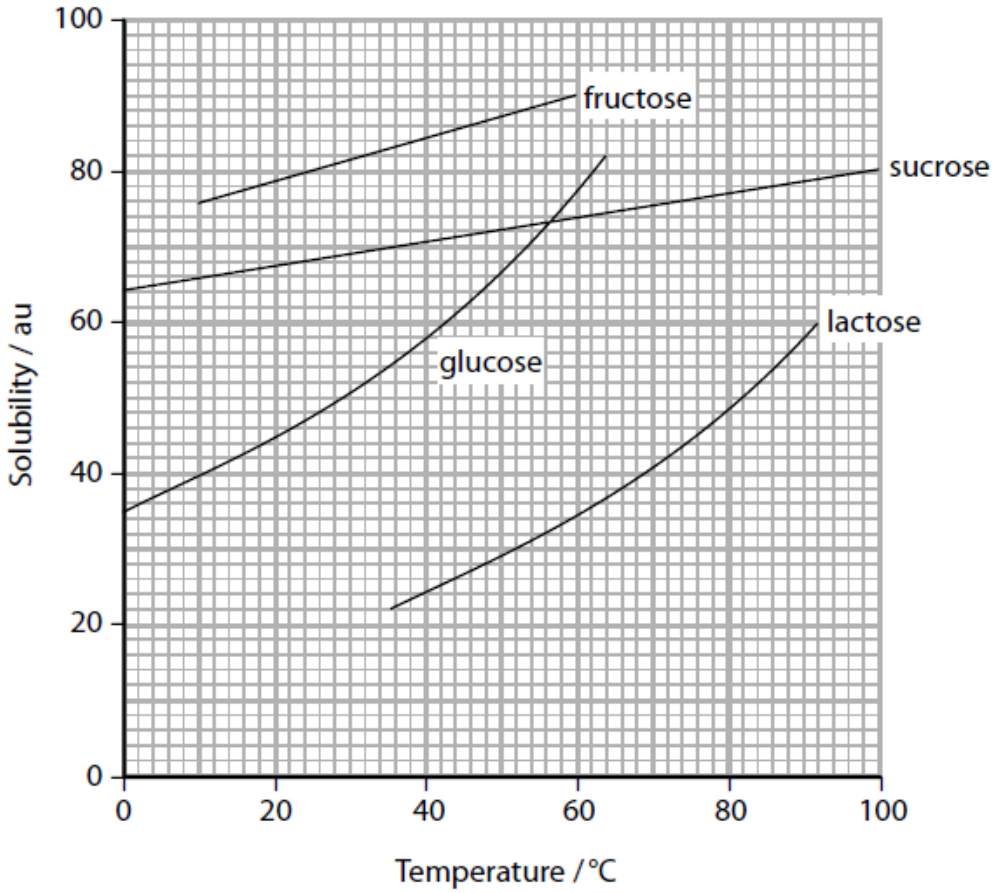
- ☒ **A** amylose
- ☒ **B** glycogen
- ☒ **C** lactose
- ☒ **D** maltose

Q16.

An investigation into the effect of temperature on the solubility of some monosaccharides and some disaccharides was carried out.

Each monosaccharide and disaccharide was dissolved in water at different temperatures.

The graph below shows the solubility of some monosaccharides and some disaccharides in water at different temperatures.



(a) The graph shows that as water temperature increases, the solubility of

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☒ **A** monosaccharides increases more than that of disaccharides

☒ **B** monosaccharides increases less than that of disaccharides

☒ **C** monosaccharides is always more than that of disaccharides

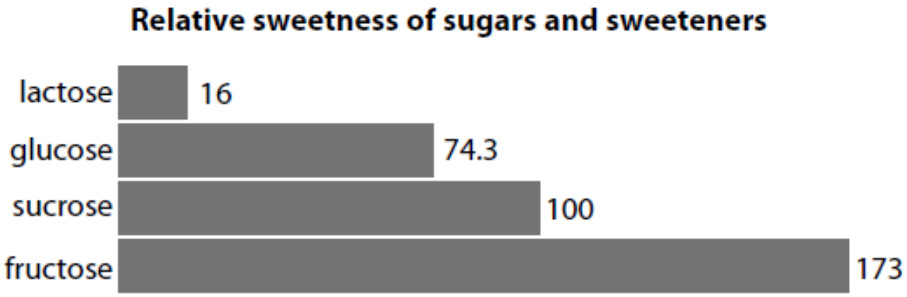
☒ **D** monosaccharides is always less than that of disaccharides

(b) Which row of the table below is correct for carbohydrates?

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	Contains only six carbon atoms	Can be split by hydrolysis
☒ **A**	glucose	glucose
☒ **B**	glucose	lactose
☒ **C**	lactose	glucose
☒ **D**	lactose	lactose

(c) The graph below shows the relative sweetness of the monosaccharides and disaccharides.



People who are obese are at an increased risk of developing health problems.

Explain why the food industry uses the enzyme glucose isomerase to convert glucose into fructose when manufacturing its slimming products.

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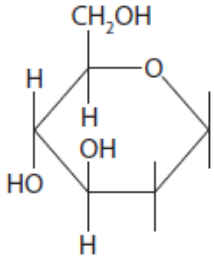
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Q17.

Glucose and fructose are monosaccharides.

Complete the diagram to show the structure of alpha glucose.

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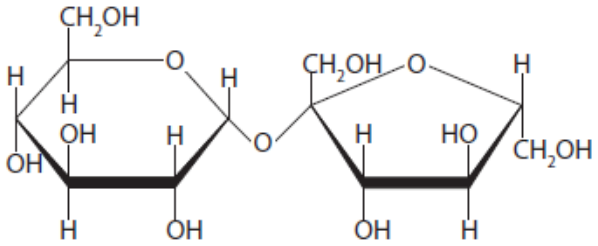


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Q18.

Enzymes are involved in the breakdown of carbohydrates.

The diagram shows the structure of sucrose.



The enzyme sucrase breaks down sucrose into two monosaccharides.

(i) Which type of reaction does sucrase catalyse?

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☒ **A** condensation

☒ **B** hydrolysis

☒ **C** phosphorylation

☒ **D** translocation

(ii) Name the monosaccharides produced from the breakdown of sucrose.

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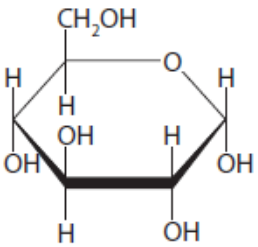
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(iii) The diagram shows one of these monosaccharides.

Draw the structure of the other monosaccharide.

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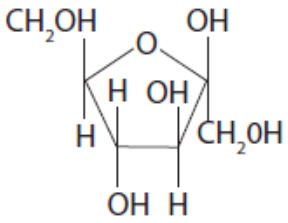
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Q19.

Sperm cells are released into the female genital tract in seminal fluid.

Seminal fluid contains fructose instead of glucose.

The diagram shows the structure of fructose.



(i) Compare and contrast the structure of fructose with the structure of glucose.

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(ii) Explain the advantages of the presence of fructose in seminal fluid.

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