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SECTION A

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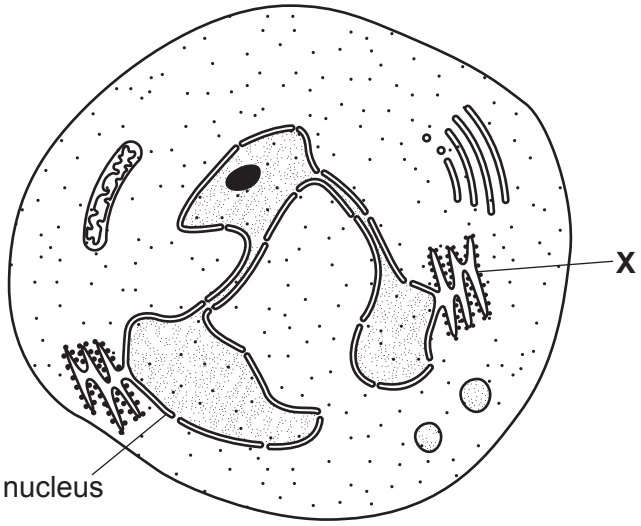
1 The diagram below shows a cell found in the bloodstream of a mammal.



Which of the statements, **A** to **D**, correctly identifies the cell and structure **X**?

A The cell is a neutrophil and structure **X** is rough endoplasmic reticulum.

B The cell is a monocyte and structure **X** is rough endoplasmic reticulum.

C The cell is a lymphocyte and structure **X** is a ribosome.

D The cell is a neutrophil and structure **X** is the Golgi apparatus.

Your answer ☐

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2 A scientist was observing electron micrographs of eukaryotic cells and writing descriptions for the organelles observed. One of the organelles was described as:

Two groups of microtubules usually arranged at right angles to each other.

Which of the options, **A** to **D**, is the organelle being described by the scientist?

A centriole

B lysosome

C endoplasmic reticulum

D Golgi apparatus

Your answer ☐

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3 *Haladaptatus cibarius* is a photosynthetic organism found in salt lakes.

The cells of *H. cibarius* do not have nuclei or membrane-bound organelles.

Which of the options, **A** to **D**, describes the cells of *H. cibarius*?

A eukaryotic animal

B eukaryotic plant

C prokaryotic

D viral

Your answer ☐

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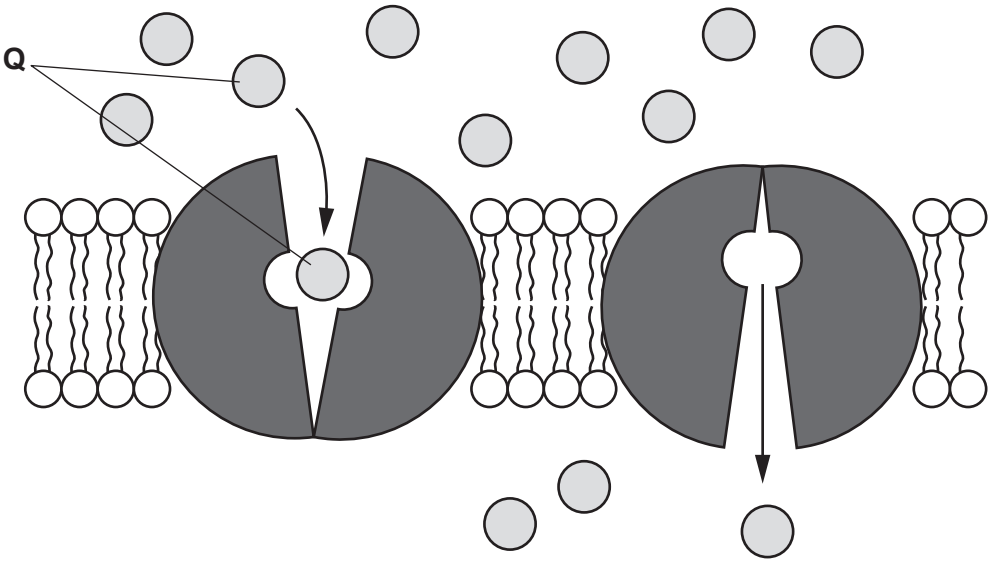
4 The diagram below shows the transport of solute **Q** through a cell surface membrane.



Which of the statements, **A** to **D**, describes the transport of solute **Q**?

A Solute **Q** is glucose being transported by active transport through a carrier protein.

B Solute **Q** is oxygen being transported by active transport through a channel protein.

C Solute **Q** is glucose being transported by facilitated diffusion through a carrier protein.

D Solute **Q** is oxygen being transported by facilitated diffusion through a channel protein.

Your answer ☐

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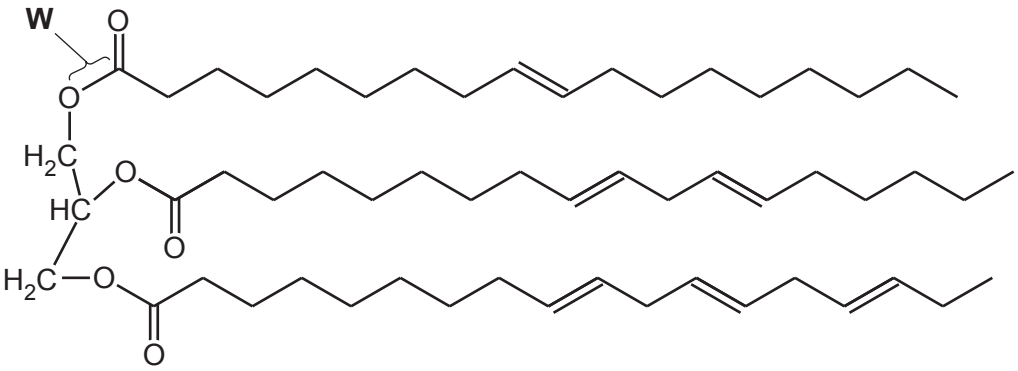
5 Linseed oil is a polyunsaturated triglyceride that can be extracted from the seeds of the flax plant, *Linum usitatissimum*.

A diagram of a linseed oil molecule is shown below.



Which of the options, **A** to **D**, identifies the bond labelled **W**?

A glycosidic

B phosphodiester

C peptide

D ester

Your answer ☐

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6 Lactase is an enzyme found in mammals that breaks down lactose.

Which of the molecules, **A** to **D**, would be found in a solution following the complete hydrolysis of the enzyme lactase?

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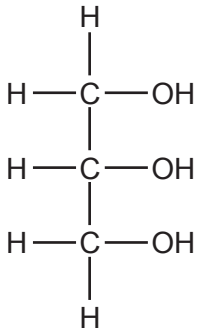

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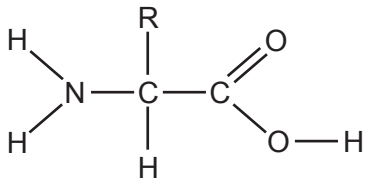

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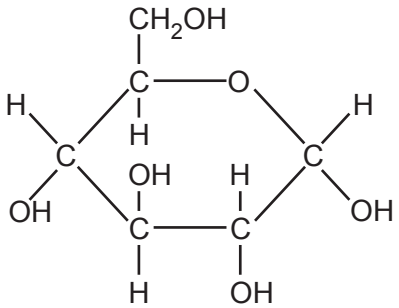

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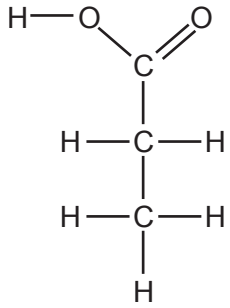

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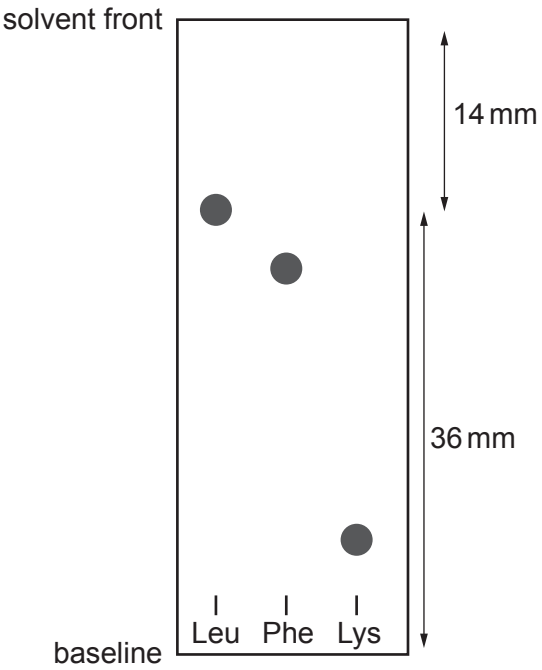
7 The diagram below is a chromatogram of three different amino acids. The distance travelled by the solvent from the baseline is 50 mm.



Using the information in the chromatogram, which of the options, **A** to **D**, is the Rf value for the amino acid leucine (Leu)?

A 0.39

B 0.28

C 0.72

D 1.39

Your answer ☐

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8 Haemoglobin is a protein molecule found in mammalian erythrocytes.

Which of the statements, **A** to **D**, about the structure of haemoglobin is correct?

A Primary structure does not contain any oxygen-carrying haem groups.

B Secondary structure is stabilised by hydrogen bonds between different polypeptide chains.

C Tertiary structure has two α and two β polypeptide chains.

D Quaternary structure is stabilised by peptide bonds between the polypeptide chains.

Your answer ☐

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9 During a clinical trial, two groups of patients that had received blood transfusions were compared.

Some of the results are shown below.

Patient group	Number of patients	Number of deaths during the hospitalisation period	Mortality rate (%)
Group 1	420	118	28.1
Group 2	418	93	

Which of the options, **A** to **D**, is the correctly calculated difference in mortality rate between the two groups?

A 22.2%

B 50.3%

C 71.9%

D 5.9%

Your answer ☐

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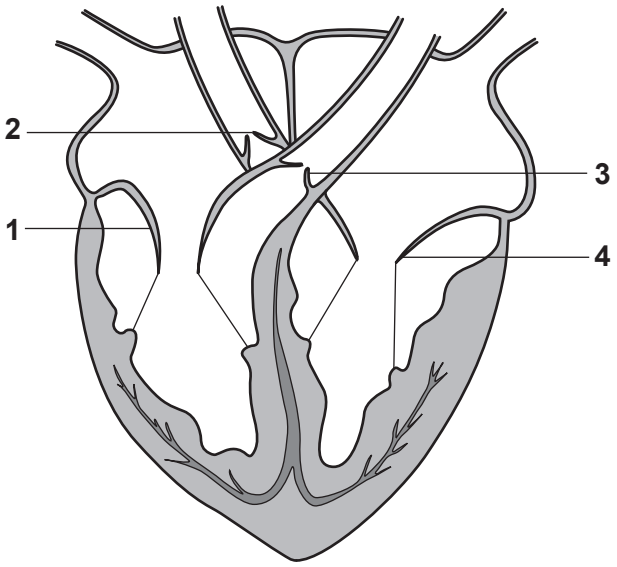
10 The diagram below shows the internal structure of a mammalian heart.

Valves have been labelled **1**, **2**, **3** and **4**.



Which of the rows, **A** to **D**, describes the positions of these valves during ventricular systole?

	1	**2**	**3**	**4**
A	open	closed	open	open
B	open	closed	closed	open
C	closed	open	open	closed
D	closed	open	open	open

Your answer ☐

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11 A student was investigating the effect of exercise on heart function. Some of the results are shown in the table below.

	Heart rate (bpm)	**Cardiac output (cm^3 min^{-1})**
At rest	75	5625
During exercise	120	12600

Which of the options, **A** to **D**, is the correctly calculated **stroke volume** for this heart at rest?

A 0.01 cm^3

B 75 cm^3

C 105 cm^3

D 421 875 cm^3

Your answer ☐

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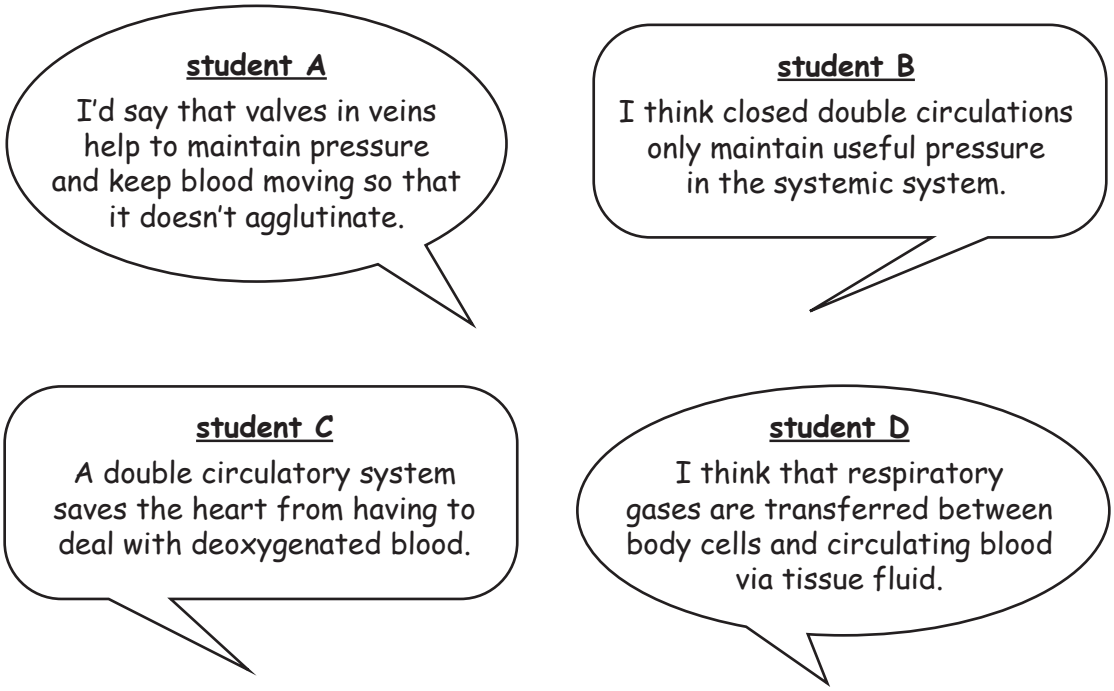
12 Some students are preparing for a lecture on the mammalian transport system.



Which of the students, **A** to **D**, has the correct idea about the mammalian transport system?

A student A

B student B

C student C

D student D

Your answer ☐

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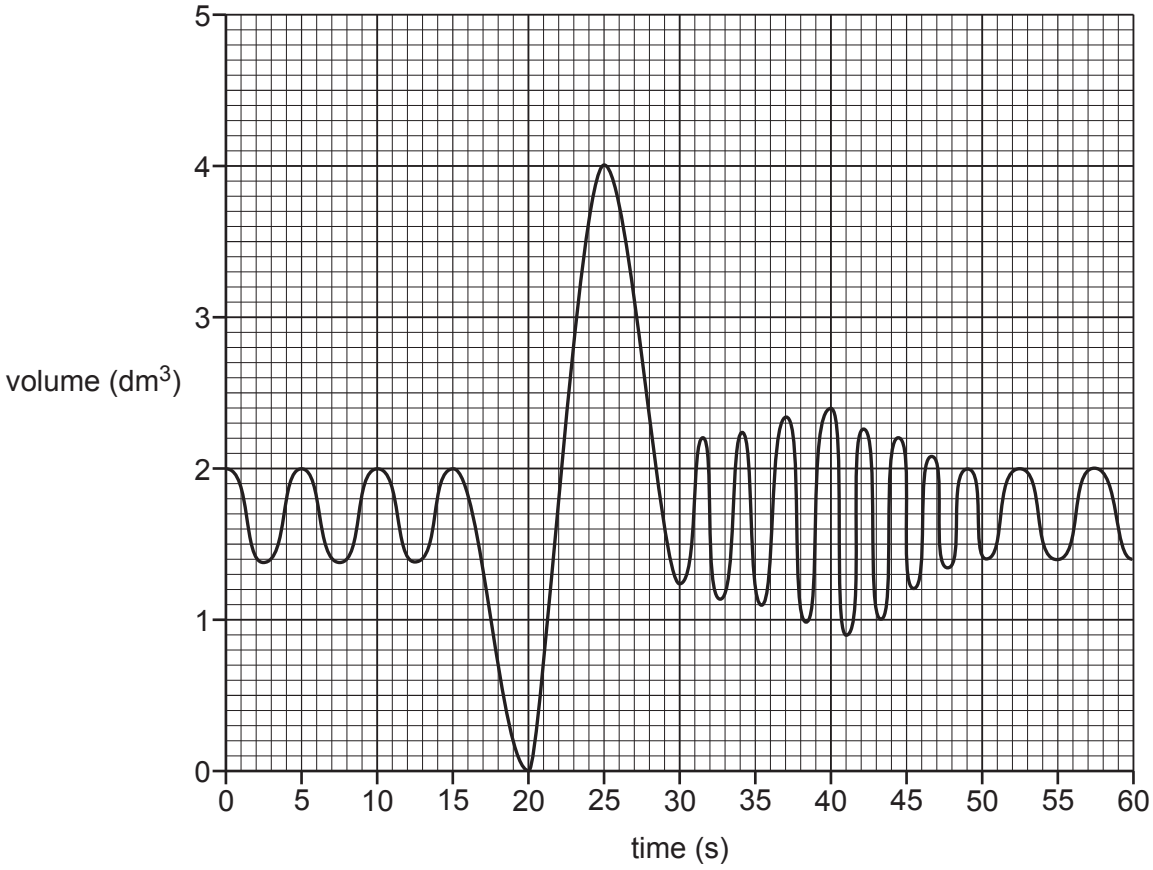
13 A spirometer was used to monitor the breathing of a student during periods of rest and exercise. The resulting spirometer trace is shown below.



Using the spirometer trace, which of the options, **A** to **D**, is the value for the resting tidal volume?

A 2.0 dm^3

B 2.6 dm^3

C 0.6 dm^3

D 4.0 dm^3

Your answer ☐

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14 During a routine visit to the antenatal clinic, a woman in the early stages of pregnancy was offered advice about why she should increase her intake of certain nutrients.

Which of the following nutrients, **A** to **D**, should be increased for synthesis of DNA and production of erythrocytes?

A iron

B folic acid

C calcium

D vitamins A and C

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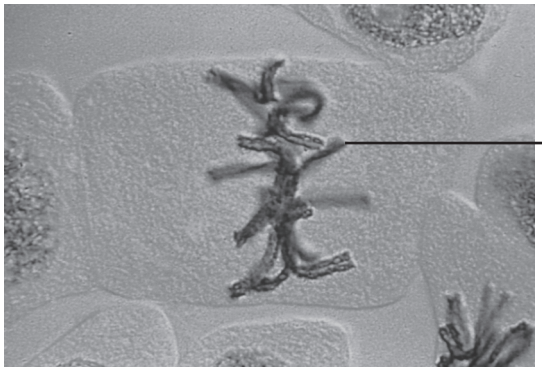
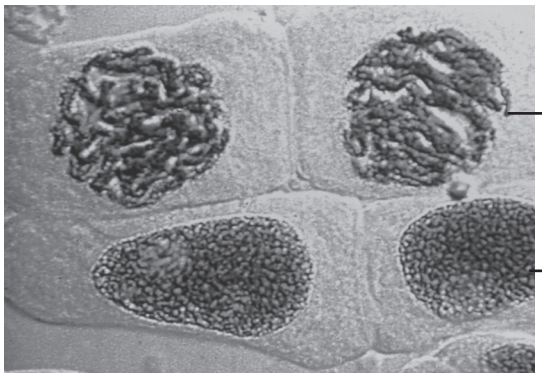
15 The photomicrographs show plant cells in different stages of the cell cycle.





Which of the rows, **A** to **D**, correctly identifies the stages of the cell cycle occurring in the cells?

	Cell P	Cell Q	Cell R	Cell S
A	metaphase	interphase	telophase	anaphase
B	anaphase	prophase	interphase	telophase
C	metaphase	prophase	interphase	telophase
D	metaphase	interphase	prophase	anaphase

Your answer ☐

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16 Living organisms are classified by biologists in hierarchical groupings called taxonomic ranks.

After domain and kingdom, which of the options, **A** to **D**, is the correct sequence for these ranks?

A phylum, order, class, family, genus, species

B phylum, class, order, family, genus, species

C phylum, order, family, class, genus, species

D phylum, class, family, order, genus, species

Your answer ☐

[1]

17 Which of the options, **A** to **D**, are molecules that enhance phagocytosis by marking antigens during an immune response?

A cytokines

B agglutinins

C anti-toxins

D opsonins

Your answer ☐

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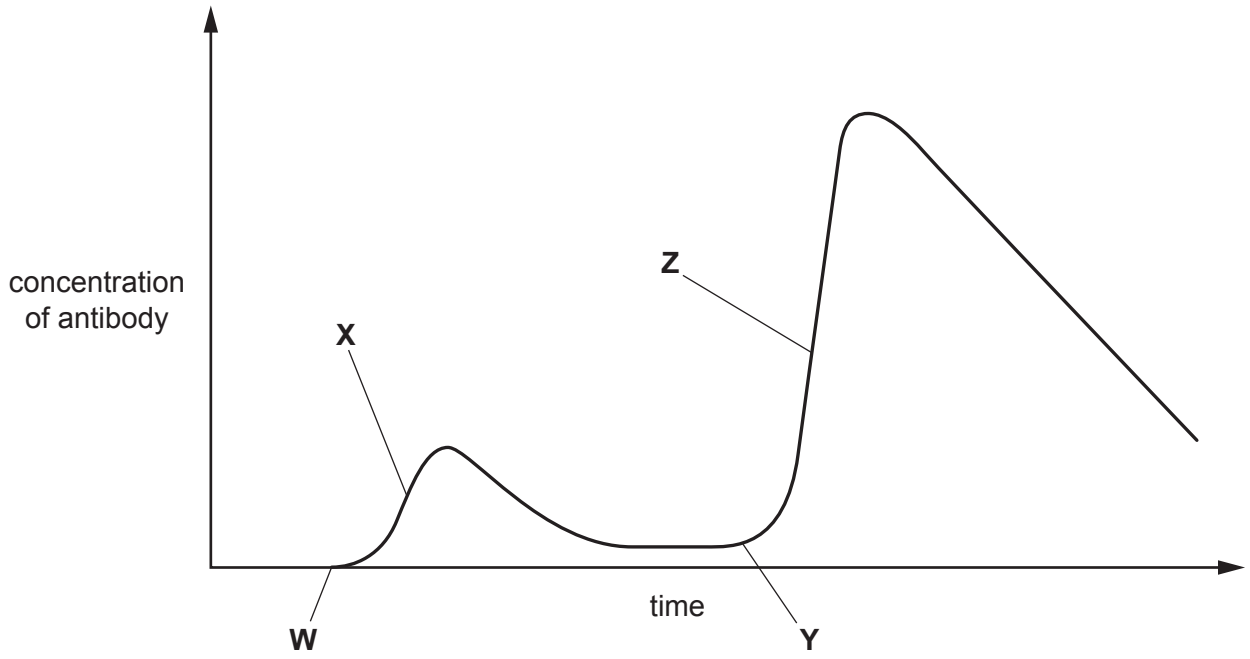
18 Vaccination can provide immunity to infectious diseases.

The graph below shows an immune response for a person who has been vaccinated against an infectious disease.



Which of the options, **A** to **D**, describes what is happening during this immune response?

A At **W** the person was first exposed to the pathogen and at **X** the person was vaccinated.

B At **X** the person is producing a primary response to the vaccine and at **Z** the person is producing a primary response to the same antigen as that found in the vaccine.

C At **W** the person was vaccinated and at **Z** the person is producing a secondary response to the same antigen as that found in the vaccine.

D At **X** the person was vaccinated and at **Y** the person is producing a secondary response to the same antigen as that found in the vaccine.

Your answer ☐

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19 Cromolyn is a medicinal drug derived from plants. It has properties that make it useful in the treatment of asthma.

Which of the options, **A** to **D**, describes a property that would be most useful for the treatment of asthma?

A inhibits mitosis

B is antibacterial

C acts as a painkiller

D acts as a relaxant of smooth muscle

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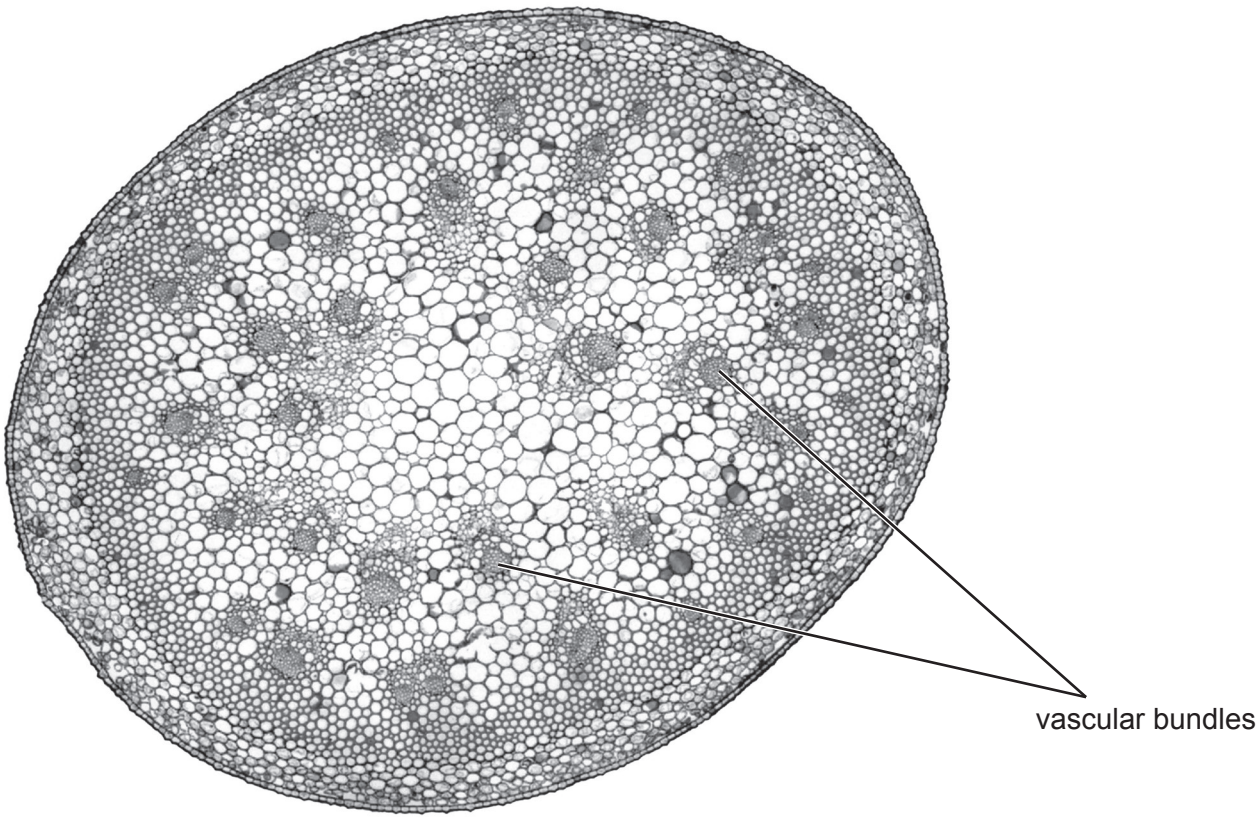
20 The photomicrograph below shows a transverse section of a plant organ.



Which of the plant organs, **A** to **D**, is shown in the photomicrograph?

A stem of a dicotyledon

B stem of a monocotyledon

C root of a dicotyledon

D root of a monocotyledon

Your answer ☐

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SECTION B

Answer **all** the questions.

21 In addition to stomata, seedlings of trees such as the red maple, *Acer rubrum*, develop lenticels in their stems as they grow.

(a) Explain why tree seedlings need to develop lenticels in addition to stomata as they grow.

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(b) Flooded or waterlogged soils can affect the development of lenticels in *A. rubrum* seedlings.

The effect of waterlogged soils on lenticel development was investigated *in situ* on a sloping hillside as shown in Fig. 21.1.

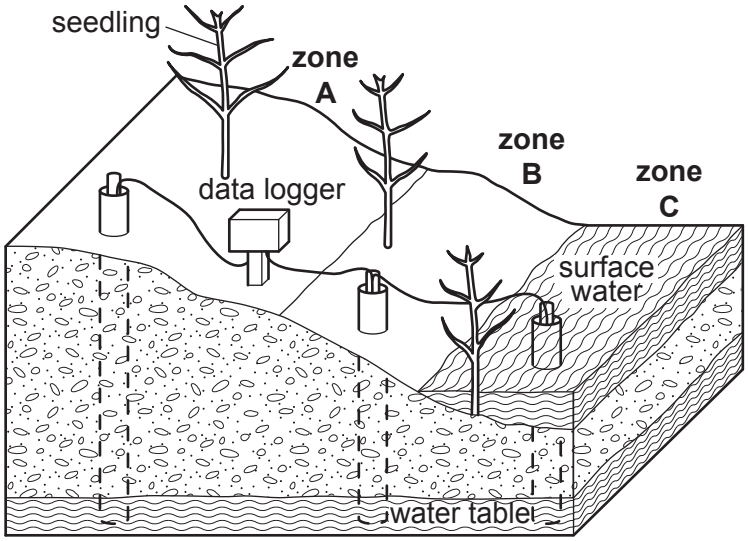

Fig. 21.1

Three zones were established:

- **Zone A** (upland) dry soil. Seedlings would only receive water when it rained
- **Zone B** (saturated) wet soil. Roots of the seedlings would always be in contact with water
- **Zone C** (wetland) water-logged soil with surface water always present at a depth of at least 5 cm. Both stems and roots of seedlings would always be in contact with water.

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(i) The level of the water table shown in Fig. 21.1 was monitored throughout the investigation.

Suggest why.

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(ii) Suggest one advantage **and** one disadvantage of carrying out this investigation ***in situ*** rather than in a laboratory.

advantage .....

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disadvantage .....

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(c) There were 100 seedlings in each zone and the number of lenticels on the stem of each seedling was counted over a period of 13 weeks.

Fig. 21.2 shows the results of the investigation.

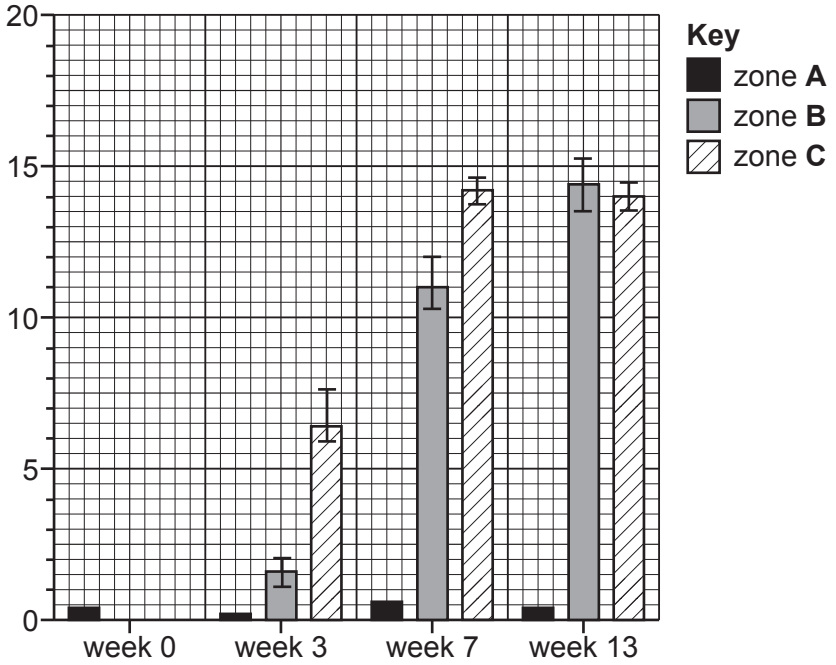

Fig. 21.2

(i) What would be a suitable label for the *y*-axis of the bar chart shown in Fig. 21.2?

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(ii) Using Fig. 21.2, what can you conclude about the results for zones **B** and **C** over the period of the investigation?

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(d) After 13 weeks it was noticed that the seedlings in zone **C** developed an increase in thickness of the stem (stem hypertrophy) caused by enlargement of cells in the cortex of the stem.

(i) Apart from enlargement of cells, name **one** other process that would result in an increase in the thickness of the seedling stem.

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(ii) Suggest why the roots of *A. rubrum* seedlings in zone **C** had reduced uptake of nutrients during the investigation.

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22 Fig. 22 represents one branch of a phylogenetic tree for the evolution of hominids.

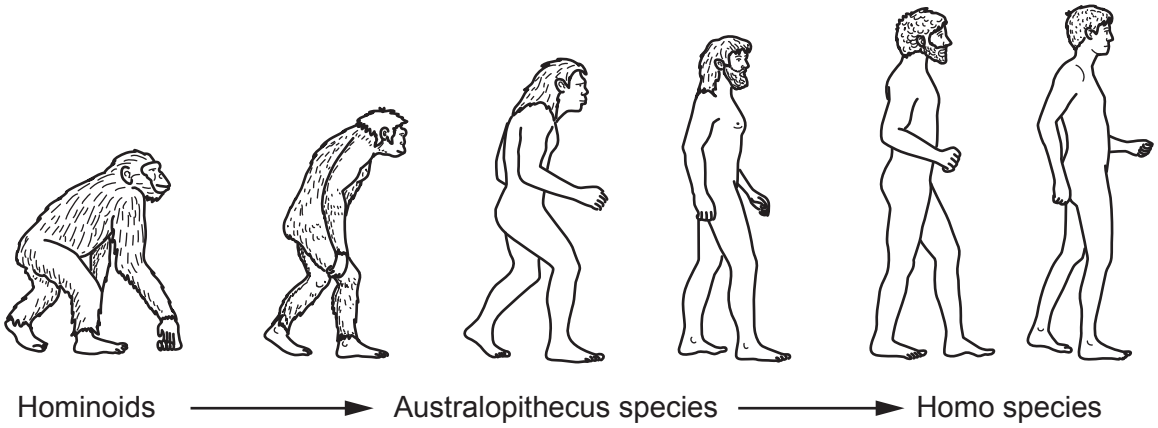

Fig. 22

(a) Using Fig. 22, describe one anatomical adaptation that arose during the evolution of hominids and suggest how this was an advantage to early hominids such as *Australopithecus africanus*.

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(b) There are many different theories for the evolution of language in hominids.

In the late nineteenth century, the Royal Linguistic Society banned any discussion about the evolution of language based on the fact that none of the theories could be proven scientifically.

Using your knowledge of the theories for the evolution of language, outline methods that have been developed in recent years to test these theories.

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(c) Evidence from fossils and biochemical molecules, such as DNA, has enabled scientists to classify hominids.

Complete the following passage about DNA using the most appropriate terms.

DNA is a double helix made of two ..... strands. The individual molecules in each strand are held together by ..... bonds formed during a series of ..... reactions. The two strands are held together by bonds between pairs of nitrogenous bases. Evidence showed that cytosine, a type of ..... base, always pairs with ..... . This is called complementary base pairing.

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23 Variegin is a small protein molecule that has been isolated from the salivary glands of the tick species, *Amblyomma variegatum*.

(a) Variegin is a competitive inhibitor of the blood-clotting enzyme, thrombin.

(i) Using your knowledge of the role of thrombin in the blood-clotting process, explain how variegin acts as a competitive inhibitor.

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(ii) Fig. 23 shows the effect of two different inhibitors, **Y** and **Z**, on the activity of thrombin as substrate concentration increases.

Curve **X** shows the effect of substrate concentration without an inhibitor.

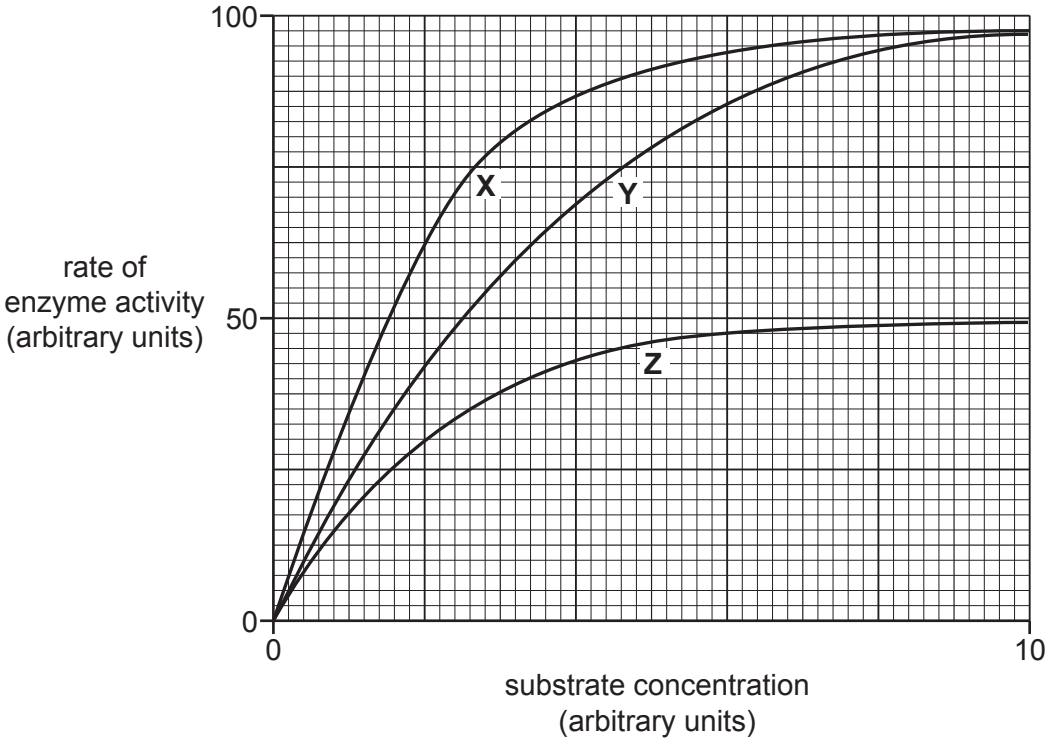

Fig. 23

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Which of the curves, labelled in Fig. 23, shows the effect of variegin on the activity of thrombin?

Give a reason for your choice.

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(iii) Using Fig. 23, calculate the percentage decrease in rate of enzyme activity when inhibitor **Z** is present at a substrate concentration of 4.0 arbitrary units.

Give your answer to **2** significant figures.

decrease = ... % **[2]**

(b) Heparin is a blood-clotting inhibitor which can be used to treat people with a disorder known as antiphospholipid antibody syndrome (APS).

People with APS produce antibodies that attach to phospholipid molecules in cells.

Suggest why this may result in the formation of blood clots in the circulatory system.

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24 *Aspergillus fumigatus* is a fungus normally found in soil humus. It is an opportunistic pathogen known to cause a variety of diseases in mammals and birds called aspergillosis.

Aspergillosis can occur in any area of the body, but the respiratory system is most commonly affected.

(a) **(i)** Using *A. fumigatus* as an example, explain what is meant by the term opportunistic.

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(ii) Outline **one** mechanism used by pathogenic fungi such as *A. fumigatus* to infect body tissues.

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(b) One method of diagnosing aspergillosis in the human respiratory system is to use a light microscope to observe sputum samples.

Fig. 24 is a photomicrograph showing the presence of *A. fumigatus* in a human sputum sample.

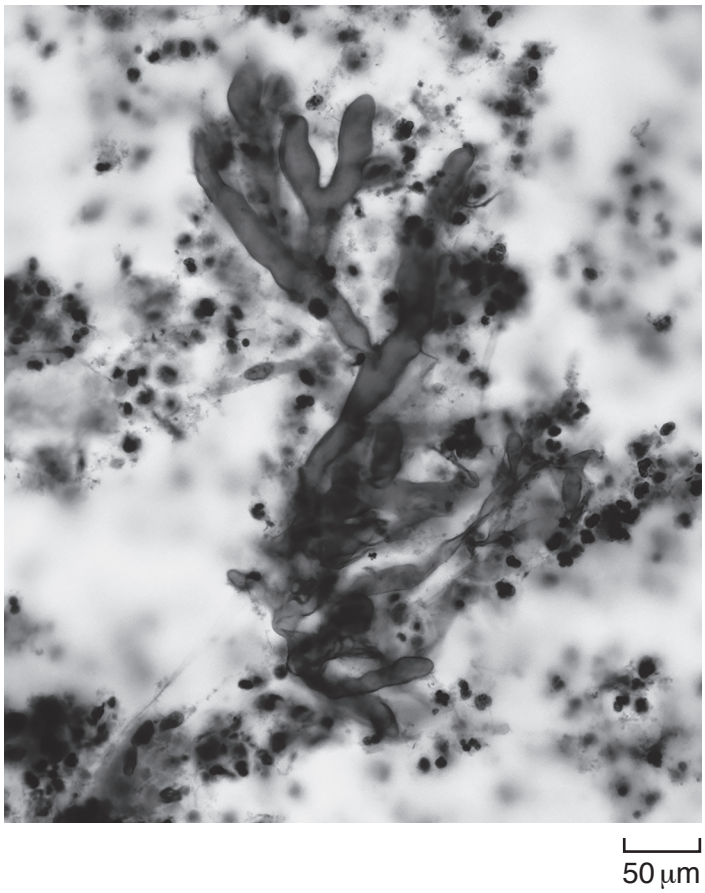

Fig. 24

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(i) Describe how the sputum sample in Fig. 24 could have been prepared for viewing the cells of *A. fumigatus* using a light microscope.

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(ii) Calculate the magnification of the photomicrograph shown in Fig. 24.

magnification = ... **[2]**

(c) *A. fumigatus* can also be observed using other types of microscope such as scanning electron microscopes and transmission electron microscopes.

The table below lists a number of features that could apply to **either or both** of these types of electron microscope.

Complete the table by indicating with a tick (✓) which of the features apply to each type of electron microscope.

Feature	Scanning electron microscope	Transmission electron microscope
The electron beam reflects off the surface of the specimen		
A 3-D image is produced		
Heavy metals are used to stain or coat the specimen		
Specimens **must** be extremely thin		

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25 Fig. 25 shows the number of cancer cases linked to human papilloma virus (HPV) that occurred worldwide in 2002.

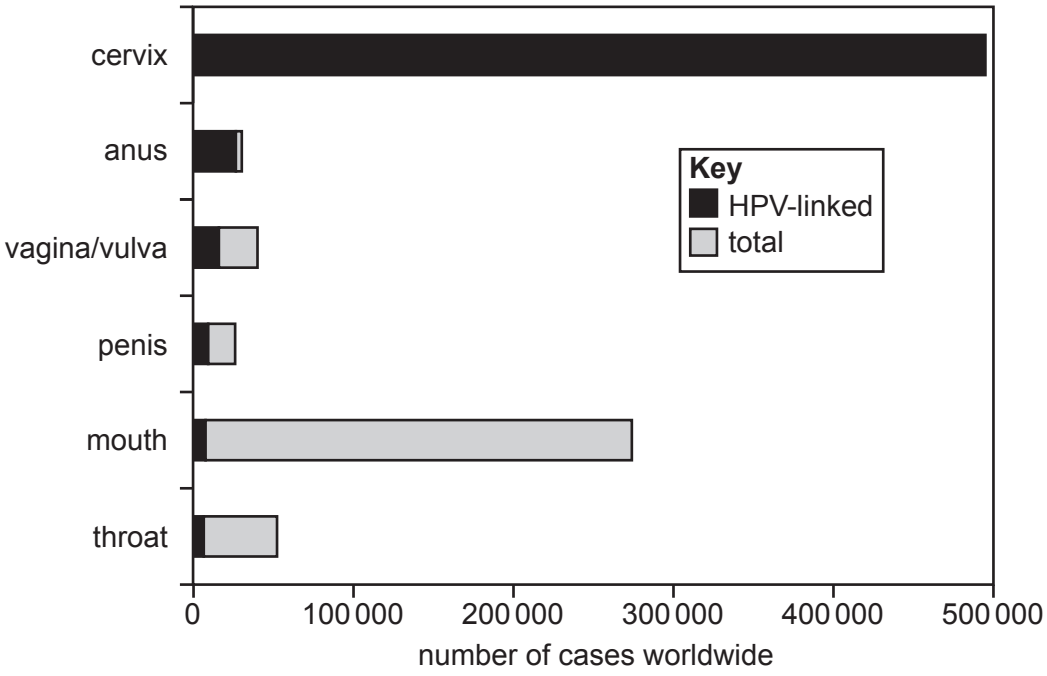

Fig. 25

(a) It has been concluded that women are at greater risk than men of developing cancer linked to HPV. The most common cancer linked to HPV in women is cervical cancer.

(i) Using Fig. 25, suggest what additional information would be needed to conclude that women are at greater risk than men of developing **other** cancers linked to HPV.

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(ii) A vaccine against HPV has been developed to protect young women from cervical cancer. It has been suggested that young men could also benefit from this vaccine.

Suggest why some people might object to compulsory vaccination of young men.

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(b) In the UK, the HPV vaccine is now part of the national childhood vaccination programme.

Administration of vaccines such as the HPV vaccine is an example of a type of artificial immunity.

(i) Describe examples of **two** types of **natural** immunity.

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(ii) Studies have shown the presence of memory B lymphocytes in recipients of the HPV vaccine eight years after it was administered.

Outline the role of memory B lymphocytes in providing long-term immunity to HPV.

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(c) In some areas of the UK, screening tests for HPV were trialled in addition to the normal cervical screening test.

Suggest why women in these trials were offered both screening tests.

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