Instructions

- Use **black** ink or ball-point pen.
- **Fill in the boxes** at the top of this page with your name, centre number and candidate number.
- Answer **all** questions.
- Answer the questions in the spaces provided – **there may be more space than you need**.

Information

- The total mark for this paper is 90.
- The marks for each question are shown in brackets – **use this as a guide as to how much time to spend on each question**.
- Questions labelled with an **asterisk** (*) are ones where the quality of your written communication will be assessed – **you should take particular care with your spelling, punctuation and grammar, as well as the clarity of expression, on these questions**.
- Candidates may use a calculator.

Advice

- Read each question carefully before you start to answer it.
- Keep an eye on the time.
- Try to answer every question.
- Check your answers if you have time at the end.

Turn over
Humans have a nervous system that has a variety of neurones.

(a) The human brain is made up of a number of areas containing many millions of neurones.

Place a cross in the box [ ] that identifies the areas of the brain associated with riding a bicycle uphill.

(i) the decision to ride the bicycle

A  cerebrum
B  cerebellum
C  hypothalamus
D  medulla

(ii) initiating an increase in sweating during the ride

A  cerebrum
B  cerebellum
C  hypothalamus
D  medulla
(b) Voltage-gated $K^+$ and $Na^+$ channels are involved in the transmission of impulses in sensory and motor neurones.

(i) The table below identifies two stages in the transmission of an impulse in a sensory neurone.

Place a tick (✓) in each box that correctly identifies whether the channels are open or closed during these two stages.

(ii) The diagram below shows a myelinated motor neurone.

Place a cross in the box that labels the site where neurotransmitters bind and initiate depolarisation.
(iii) Describe the differences in the structure of a myelinated sensory neurone and a myelinated motor neurone.

(Total for Question 1 = 8 marks)
A human heart can work effectively for over a hundred years but many people throughout the world have heart problems.

(a) Explain how the sinoatrial node (SAN) ensures that oxygenated blood enters the aorta.

(4)
*(b) The treadmill test can be used to diagnose heart problems.*

This test requires a person to walk on a treadmill whilst an electrocardiogram (ECG) is recorded.

The angle of the treadmill is raised to increase the level of exercise. The photograph below shows a person carrying out the treadmill test.

Explain how the heart rate of this person is controlled as the level of exercise increases during this test.

(6)
(c) The ECG below was recorded at rest.

(i) This person had a resting heart rate of 74 beats per minute.

Calculate the time taken for this ECG. Show your working.

(2)

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(ii) Suggest suitable units for the vertical axis (y-axis) of this ECG.

(1)

(Total for Question 2 = 13 marks)
An investigation was carried out to study the effect of positive and negative physical and emotional experiences on humans.

The positive physical experience was a warm object placed on the arm of a person for five seconds.

The negative physical experience was a hot object placed on the arm of a person for five seconds.

All other variables were kept constant.

Two groups of people were used in this investigation. In the first group, the warm object was used before the hot object. In the second group, the hot object was used before the warm object.

After each experience, the individuals were asked to rate their feelings using the scoring system below.

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<tr>
<th>Feelings</th>
<th>Score</th>
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<tr>
<td>Very bad</td>
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<td>Bad</td>
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<td>Neutral</td>
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<td>Good</td>
<td>4</td>
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<tr>
<td>Very good</td>
<td>5</td>
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</table>

(a) Suggest why one group had the warm object placed on their arm before the hot object and the other group had the hot object placed on their arm first.
(b) These two groups were then exposed to a positive emotional experience and a negative emotional experience.

The mean results for the investigation are shown in the table below.

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<thead>
<tr>
<th>Experience</th>
<th>Mean score for feelings and standard deviation</th>
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<td></td>
<td>Physical</td>
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<td>Positive</td>
<td>4.5 ± 0.5</td>
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<tr>
<td>Negative</td>
<td>1.9 ± 0.6</td>
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A student concluded that the physical experiences and emotional experiences were similar.

Using information in the table, comment on the validity of this conclusion.
(c) This investigation then used a scanning technique to study whether the same areas of the brain were involved in both physical experiences and emotional experiences.

(i) Suggest the scanning technique required to study the brain in this investigation. Give reasons for your choice.

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(ii) It was found that an area of the brain called the insula was involved in both physical experiences and emotional experiences. The insula is found just above the hypothalamus.

Using the diagram below, place a cross in the box ☒ that identifies the area of the insula.

(A) A
(B) B
(C) C
(D) D

(Total for Question 3 = 10 marks)
An investigation was carried out to study the effect of light on the mammalian retina.

Part of the retina of a young rat was removed and kept in the dark for two hours. This allowed the pigment in the rod cells to recover from bleaching caused by exposure to light.

(a) Suggest what happens in the rod cells during this two hours of darkness.

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(b) When the retina had recovered from bleaching, the resting potential of the bipolar neurones in the retina was found to be –43 mV.

The retina was then exposed to a range of light intensities. Each light intensity caused the bipolar neurones to depolarise. The peak voltage of the depolarisation for each light intensity was recorded.

All other variables were kept constant.

The investigation used retinas from an additional 14 rats.

The mean results are shown in the table below.

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<tr>
<th>Light intensity / arbitrary units</th>
<th>Mean peak voltage of depolarisation / mV</th>
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<td>1</td>
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<td>3</td>
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(i) Using the information in the table, describe the effect of light intensity on the mean peak voltage of depolarisation.

(ii) Suggest an explanation for the effect of light intensity on the mean peak voltage of depolarisation in these neurones.
(c) Suggest two reasons why some people might have objections to the use of rats in this investigation.

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(Total for Question 4 = 13 marks)
5 The tissues of some animals can carry out anaerobic and aerobic respiration.

(a) Three investigations were carried out to study respiration in an animal tissue, using the apparatus shown below.

The tissue used glucose as the respiratory substrate.

All other variables were kept constant.

The table below shows the three investigations that were carried out and the result for investigation 1.

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<thead>
<tr>
<th>Investigation</th>
<th>Type of respiration</th>
<th>Potassium hydroxide solution absent or present</th>
<th>Coloured liquid moved to the left</th>
<th>Coloured liquid moved to the right</th>
<th>Coloured liquid did not move</th>
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<td>Anaerobic</td>
<td>Absent</td>
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<td>2</td>
<td>Aerobic</td>
<td>Absent</td>
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<tr>
<td>3</td>
<td>Aerobic</td>
<td>Present</td>
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(i) Complete the table by placing a cross in one box ★ for each of investigations 2 and 3 to show the response of the coloured liquid.
(ii) Explain why the coloured liquid did not move in investigation 1.

(iii) Reduced NAD (NADH + H⁺) would be formed in investigations 2 and 3.

Describe the fate of reduced NAD in aerobic respiration.
(b) Explain how investigation 3, shown in the table, could be used to compare the rate of respiration of two different tissues.

(Total for Question 5 = 11 marks)
A number of drugs, including EPO, have been used by athletes.

EPO is a drug that stimulates the formation of red blood cells. EPO has been used to enhance the performance of certain types of athlete.

(a) Sprinters usually have more fast twitch fibres in their leg muscles than long distance runners.

Suggest why EPO may have less of an effect on the performance of a sprinter than on a long distance runner.

(b) Suggest **two** ethical reasons why the use of drugs, such as EPO, should be banned from sport.

(Total for Question 6 = 5 marks)
The scientific article you have studied is adapted from articles in *Nature* and *Scientific American*.

Use the information from the article and your own knowledge to answer the following questions.

(a) Rabies is a ‘nasty infection’ caused by a virus (paragraph 5).
   Explain how scientists would be able to determine that the rabies pathogen is a virus.

   *(b) Suggest how researchers had genetically modified the pathogen to ‘provoke an effective immune response’ (paragraph 12).*
(c) Octopamine is a neurotransmitter (paragraph 24). Libersat and his team believe that wasp venom probably blocks octopamine receptors in the central nervous system of the cockroach.

Suggest two ways that the ‘compound that reactivates octopamine receptors’ (paragraph 25) could work.

(d) Suggest how scientists, such as Hughes, could have estimated that ants comprise ‘half of all insect biomass worldwide’ (paragraph 31).
(e) ‘While the manipulated individual may look like an ant, it represents a fungal genome expressing fungal behaviour through the body of an ant’ (paragraph 33).

Suggest how fungal genes may be expressed and affect the behaviour of these ants.

(5)
(f) Suggest what is meant by the term **clock genes** (paragraph 35).

(g) Suggest how a lack of ‘signals’ (paragraph 36) could lead to muscle atrophy.
(h) ‘Instead of one variable species’ (paragraph 44), Evans, Hughes and Elliot have identified four new species of the fungus.

Suggest how these could have been identified as separate species.

(i) There is evidence showing that ants parasitised by the fungus bite the main veins of leaves (paragraphs 35 and 47).

Suggest the advantages to the zombie fungus of this ant behaviour.