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Biology Advanced Higher Project-Report

Skills, knowledge and understanding		Marks Available	Marks Awarded
1. Abstract	A brief abstract stating the main aim(s) and overall findings/ conclusion(s)	1 mark	
2. Introduction	a. Clear statement of the aim(s) together with relevant hypotheses	1 mark	
	b. - account of underlying biology is relevant to aim(s) - biological terms/ideas are explained clearly and accurately - biological terms/ideas are at an appropriate depth - biological importance is justified	4 marks	
3. Procedures	a. Appropriate to aim(s)	1 mark	
	b. Procedure(s) described clearly in sufficient detail to allow the investigation to be repeated	2 marks	
	c. Appropriate controls	1 mark	
	d. Control of confounding variables	1 mark	
	e. Sample size	1 mark	
	f. Independent replication described and a separate data set(s) provided	1 mark	
	g. Justification of how the pilot study informed the final procedure(s)	1 mark	
	h. Complexity, creativity or accuracy	1 mark	
4. Results	a. Relevant to the aim(s)	1 mark	
	b. Raw data recorded and within limits of accuracy of measurement	1 mark	
	c. Appropriate presentation	1 mark	
	d. Overall results calculated and presented	1 mark	
	e. Presentation of tables and graphs	2 marks	
5. Discussion	a. Conclusion(s) relevant to the aim(s) and supported by data	1 mark	
	b. Conclusion(s) is/are valid	1 mark	
	c. Evaluation of procedures includes comment, as appropriate, on: - accuracy/sources of error in measurement - adequacy of replication/sampling - adequacy of controls - the control or monitoring of confounding variables - solutions to problems and modifications to procedures	2 marks	
	d. Evaluation of results includes, as appropriate: - analysis of results - interpretation of results - critical and scientific discussion of finding(s)	3 marks	
6. Presentation	a. Appropriate structure, including informative title, contents page and page numbers	1 mark	
	b. References cited in the text and listed using Harvard or Vancouver referencing systems	1 mark	
Total		30 marks	



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