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A Level

A Level Biology

The Immune System Answers

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Total Marks: /36

Answer	Marks
1. a)i) An organism that can cause disease- e.g. virus, bacterium, fungus	3 marks
 b) i) – Hydrochloric acid is released in the stomach lowers the pH and destroys pathogens that have entered the body from the external environment 	2 marks
ii) – the tracheae are lined with cilia (small hairs) - waft foreign objects and trap them in secreted mucus which is then digested	2 marks
2. a) i) White blood cell ii) – Phagocytes recognise pathogens	1 mark
via chemo-attraction -The phagocyte engulfs the pathogen -A lysosome fuses with the engulfed pathogen and digests/ using lysozymes The phagocyte then presents the pathogen's antigens/becomes an antigen presenting cell to further	4 marks
b) i) Foreign substance that induces an immune response in the body/ foreign protein that initiates immune response	1 mark
ii) -T Killer Cells – kills foreign cells - T-helper cells – activate B cells and regulate the immune response - T-memory cells – remain in the body from previous infections to enable a faster immune response if the body is re-infected.	6 marks
c) i) A – Light chain	2 marks

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B – Heavy chain	
ii) Four	1 mark
iii) Complementary to specific antigens	1 mark
iv) Mitosis	1 mark
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v) Disulphide bonds	1 mark
vi) – each antibody binds to antigens	
on pathogen	
 Pathogens become clumped together 	3 marks
-Phagocytes/ macrophages can	S IIIdikS
engulf more pathogens at once.	
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d) -Cellular response – T-cells, phagocytes	
-Humoral response – B cells and	
antibody production.	2 marks
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3.	
a) i) – A is the primary response	
- It takes time for the body to	
undergo an immune response and	
build up a large enough	
concentration of the specific	3 marks
antibody	
-Symptoms occur while the body is	
undergoing the stages of the	
immune response.	
ii) – when the body is infected again	
by the same pathogen the response	
is quicker and stronger	
-Memory B-cells divide into plasma	3 marks
cells and produce antibodies	
-Memory T-cells divide into the	
correct type of killer T-cells	