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A Level

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Muscles Answers

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Total Marks: /32

Muscle Contraction

Answer	Marks
1. a) i) A - T-tubules B - Sarcolemma C - Myofibril ii) Mitochondria produce ATP	3 marks
which is required for muscle contraction	2 mark
iii) Actin Myosin iv) A - band	2 marks
z - line I - band v) I band – gets shorter A -band – stays the same H-zone – gets shorter Z - line – gets closer together	4 marks
2. a) i) Myosin –globular heads/binding sites for actin and ATP Actin – binding sites for myosin heads	2 marks

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 ii) - tropomyosin blocks the actin-myosin binding sites - prevents muscle contraction during rest period - Displaced in presence of calcium ions. 	3 marks
iii) - The action potential depolarises the sarcolemma depolarisation spreads down the T-tubules to the sarcoplasmic reticulum Calcium ions are released Calcium ions cause tropomyosin to move out of the actin-myosin binding site Myosin head binds to actin filament to form an actin- myosin cross bridge ATPase activated by Ca ²⁺	6 marks
3. a)no ATP is producedATP is required to break down the actin-myosin bridges	2 marks
b) - ATP binds to myosin - Causes head to detach from actin -ATP hydrolysed to ATP + Pi -Energy released is used to reposition the mysoin head - Cross bridge cycle can then be repeated.	4 marks