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Section 1 (/20)	
Section 2 (/30)	
TOTAL (max 50)	



General Certificate of Secondary Education
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Science A

SCA4/PU1.1

Controlled Assessment ISA PU1.1 Solar Cells Section 1
For moderation in May 2012 or January 2013

For this paper you must have:

- your Candidate Research Notes
- a pencil and a ruler.

You may use a calculator.

Time allowed

- 45 minutes

Instructions

- Use black ink or black ball-point pen.
- Fill in the boxes at the top of this page.
- Answer **all** questions in the spaces provided.
Do not write outside the box around each page or on blank pages.
- Do all rough work in this book. Cross through any work you do not want to be marked.

Information

- The marks for questions are shown in brackets.
- The maximum mark for Section 1 is 20.
- The maximum mark for the Controlled Assessment is 50.
- You are reminded of the need for good English and clear presentation in your answers.

Details of additional assistance (if any). Has the candidate received any help or information from anyone other than the subject teacher(s) in the production of this work? If the answer is yes, give the details below or on a separate page.

Yes ☐ No ☐

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Hypothesis: *The output voltage from a solar cell depends on the area of the solar cell exposed to the light.*

- 1** Think about the research that you did to find out how to test this hypothesis.

Name **two** sources that you used for your research.

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Which of these sources was the more useful and why?

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(3 marks)

- 2** In this investigation, you will need to change the area of the solar cell exposed to the light.

Describe briefly how you would do a preliminary investigation to find a suitable interval to use for this variable.

You should also explain how the results of this preliminary investigation will help you to decide on the best interval to use.

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(3 marks)

- 3** *In this question you will be assessed on using good English, organising information clearly and using scientific words where appropriate.*

Describe how you plan to do your investigation to test the hypothesis given.

You should include:

- the equipment that you plan to use
- how you will use the equipment
- the measurements that you are going to make
- how you will make it a fair test
- a risk assessment.

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Continue your answer on the next page

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(9 marks)

- 4** Do you think that the level of light in the room in which you are going to do the investigation will be important?

Explain the reason for your answer.

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(3 marks)

- 5** Make sure that you hand in your Candidate Research Notes and your blank table for the results with this paper.

You will be awarded up to two marks for your table.

(2 marks)

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END OF QUESTIONS

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