

Question Number	Answer	Mark
15	<p>Log expansion of <math>R = R_0 e^{-\mu x}</math> (1)</p> <p><math>\mu</math> identified as (-) gradient (1)</p> <p>Gradient calculated (1)</p> <p>Use of <math>R = R_0 e^{-\mu x}</math> <b>Or</b> use <math>x_{1/2} = \frac{\ln 2}{\mu}</math> (1)</p> <p>Half-value thickness = 1.5 cm (1)</p> <p>Conclusion consistent with half-value thickness</p> <p><b>OR</b></p> <p>Log expansion of <math>R = R_0 e^{-\mu x}</math> (1)</p> <p><math>\ln R_0</math> identified as intercept (1)</p> <p>Intercept read from graph (1)</p> <p><math>R_0/2</math> calculated and <math>x</math> read from graph (1)</p> <p>Half-value thickness = 1.5 cm (1)</p> <p>Conclusion consistent with half-value thickness (1)</p> <p><b>(6)</b></p> <p><u>Example of calculation</u></p> <p><math>\ln R = \ln R_0 - \mu x</math></p> <p><math>\mu = -\left(\frac{5.20 - 6.85}{3.5 \text{ cm}}\right) = 0.471 \text{ cm}^{-1}</math></p> <p><math>\frac{R_0}{2} = R_0 e^{-0.471 \text{ cm}^{-1} x}</math></p> <p><math>\therefore \ln 2 = 0.471 \text{ cm}^{-1} x</math></p> <p><math>\therefore x = 1.47 \text{ cm}</math></p>	
	<b>Total for Question 15</b>	<b>6</b>