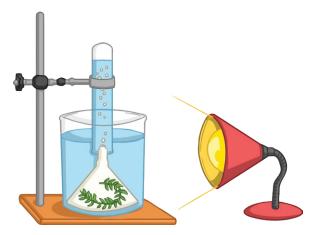
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Graph Mark Scheme:

Axis both labelled to include units (distance on x axis, number of bubbles on y axis)

· Suitable scale chosen

All 5 points correctly plotted

Line of best fit included

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Dependent variable: Number of bubbles produced (accept amount of oxygen produced)

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Using the graph, describe the effect of light intensity on the rate of photosynthesis.

As the light intensity initially increases, so does the rate of photosynthesis. Having reached a maximum, the rate of photosynthesis levels off and then stays constant regardless of the increasing light intensity.



