AS and A-Level AQA Biology

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Cell recognition
and the immune
system

Each type of cell has specific molecules on its surface that identify it. These molecules include proteins and enable the immune system to identify:

- Pathogens
- Abnormal body cells

The use of vaccines to provide protection for individuals and populations against disease. The concept of herd immunity.

The use of monoclonal antibodies in:

• Targeting medication to specific cell types by attaching a therapeutic drug to an antibody

Ethical issues associated with the use of vaccines