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M.Phil. / Ph.D. MICROBIOLOGY

SYLLABUS

(Effective from the Academic year 2020 – 2021 and onwards)

DEPARTMENT OF MICROBIOLOGY

DEPARTMENT OF MICROBIOLOGY FACULTY OF ARTS, SCIENCE AND HUMANITIES RESEARCH PROGRAM – M.Phil / PhD in Microbiology (2020–2021 Batch and onwards)

Course code	Name of the course	Instruction hours/ week	Credits	Maximum Marks (100)
20RMB101	Research Methodology and Pedagogy	4	4	100
20RMB201	Research and publication ethics	4	4	100
20RMB301	Industrial and Pharmaceutical Microbiology			
20RMB302	Immunotechnology and Biotechnology	-		
20RMB303	Virology	4	4	100
20RMB304	Medical Microbiology	-		
Program Total		12	12	300

20RMB101 PAPER - I: RESEARCH METHODOLOGY AND PEDAGOGY 4H - 4C

Instruction Hours / week: L: 4 T: 0 P: 0 Marks: External: 100 Total: 100

End Semester Exam: 3 Hours

UNIT - I (Spectroscopy and Chromatography)

Spectroscopy: Principles and instrumentation and applications of UV-Visible light spectroscopy, UV-Visible absorption spectroscopy, Spectrofluorimeter, Atomic spectroscopy, IR spectroscopy, NMR spectroscopy and MALDI-TOF. Chromatographic techniques: Principles of column chromatography. Instrumentation of Low pressure liquid chromatography (LPLC), High performance liquid chromatography (HPLC) Fast protein liquid chromatography (FPLC), Perfusion chromatography, Ionexchange chromatography, Molecular exclusion chromatography, Affinity chromatography, Gas chromatography (GC – MS).

UNIT - II (Research design)

Research: Scope and significance – Types of Research – Research Process – Characteristics of good research – Problems in Research – Identifying research problems. Research Designs – Features of good designs. Sampling design: Meaning – Concepts – Steps in sampling – Criteria for good sample design.

UNIT - III (Sample design and analysis)

Scaling measurements – Techniques – Types of scale. Correlation – Meaning and definition - Scatter diagram –Karl pearson's correlation coefficient. Rank correlation. Regression: Regression in two variables – Regression coefficient problems – uses of regression. Hypothesis testing – Errors in Hypothesis testing - large sample test (Z – test) single and two tailed test, Small sample test (t – test)-Single mean-Two mean-Paired t-test, F – test, Chi–square test –Single variance-Goodness of fit, SPSS Software, Anova – one way and two way. – CRD, RBD Designs. RSM (Response Surface Methodology). Thesis report writing.

UNIT – IV (Computer Applications)

Spreadsheet tool - Introduction to spreadsheet application, features and functions, using formulas and functions, data storing, features for statistical data analysis, generating charts/ graph and other features. Tools used may be Microsoft Excel, Open office or similar tool. Presentation tool - Introduction to presentation tool, features and functions, creating presentation, customizing presentation, showing presentation. Tools used may be Microsoft Power Point, Open Office or similar tool. Web Search - Introduction to internet, use of internet and WWW, using search engine like Google, Yahoo etc, using advanced search techniques. Plagiarism software, Literature search, Endnote, Mendeley and its application.

UNIT - V (Pedagogical Methods in Higher Learning)

Historical Perspectives – Objectives and role of Higher Education – Learning and Learning Hierarchy – Information processing – Learning Events and Outcomes – Motivation. Education Evaluation: A Conceptual Framework – Methods of Evaluation – Self Evaluation and Student Evaluation in Higher Education – Question Banking – Diagnostic Testing and Remedial Teaching.

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20RMB201

PAPER – II: RESEARCH PUBLICATION ETHICS

4H - 4C

Instruction Hours / week: L: 4 T: 0 P: 0

Marks: External: 100 Total: 100 End Semester Exam: 3 Hours

UNIT I:Philosophy and Ethics

Introduction to Philosophy: Definition, nature and scope, concept, branches – Ethics: Definition, moral philosophy, nature of moral judgments and reaction.

UNIT II:Scientific Conduct

Ethics with respect to science and research – Intellectual honesty and research integrity – scientific misconduct: Falsification – Fabrication – Fabrication and Plagiarism (FFP) – Redundant publications: duplicate and overlapping publication-salami slicing- selective reporting and misrepresentation of date.

Unit III :publication Ethics

Publication Ethics: Definition, introduction and importance-Best practices/ standards setting initiatives and guidelines: COPE, WAME, etc. – Conflicts of interest – publication misconduct: definition, concept, problems that lead to unethical behavior and vice versa, type-violation of publication ethics, authorship and contributing and appeals-predatory publishers and journals.

Unit IV: Publication misconduct

Group discussions: Subject specific ethical issues, FFP, authorship - conflicts of interest-complaints and appeals: examples and fraud from India and abroad.

Unit V: Development of e-content &IPR

Database: indexing database-citation database: web of science, scopus, etc.

Research Metrics: impact factor of journal as per Journal Citation Report, SNIP, SJR, IPP, Cite Score – Metrics: h-index, g index, g index, I 10 index, altmetrics.

Unit VI: Development of e-content & IPR

Integrated Library Management System (ILMS): e-journals — e-books — e-shodhsindu — shodhganga — database — e-content development — Learning Management system (LMS) — e-PG — Pathshala — CEC (UG) SWAYAM — MOOCs — NPTEL — NMEICT. IPR: Patent — Copyrights- trademark — Geographical Indication.

PRACTICE:

Open access publishing

Open access publications and initiatives-SHERPA/RoMEO online resource to check polisher copyright & self-archiving policies-software tool to identify predatory publications developed by SPPU-Journal finder / journal suggestion tools viz. JANE, Elsevier Journal Finder, Springer Journal Suggester, etc.

20RMB301 PAPER - III: INDUSTRIAL AND PHARMACEUTICAL MICROBIOLOGY 4H - 4C

Instruction Hours / week: L: 4 T: 0 P: 0 Marks: External: 100 Total: 100

End Semester Exam: 3 Hours

UNIT - I

History and chronological development of industrial microbiology. Industrially important strains – Isolation and preservation. Inoculum development for various fermentation processes. Strain development – mutation, recombinant DNA technology and protoplast fusion

UNIT - II

Fermentation – Submerged fermentation: batch, fedbatch and continuous fermentation and solid state fermentation. Types of fermentors (Tower, cylindroconical and airlift) – batch fermentation – continuous fermentation. Fermentor design – body construction – mass transfer – oxygen transfer – effect of viscosity, Aeration, Agitation, pH – scale-up process.

UNIT - III

Production of beverages: beer and wine, Vitamin: B12 and riboflavin, Antibiotics: penicillin and streptomycin, Production of enzymes: amylase and proteases. Free cell immobilization and enzyme immobilization techniques. Production of Single cell protein – bakers yeast, spirulina, red algae. Downstream process – intracellular and extracellular product separation. Liquid extraction, precipitation, floatation and filtration: Micro filtration and Ultra filtration.

UNIT - IV

Clinical uses of antimicrobial drugs, Microbial spoilage and preservation of pharmaceutical products, Sterilization of pharmaceutical products, Applications of microorganism in the pharmaceutical sciences

UNIT - V

Role of precursors and steering agents in production of antibiotics, vitamins and enzymes. Antiseptics-disinfectants - preparation, standardization. Quality control of Pharmaceutical products – Injectables, IV fluids and pyrogen testing.

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20RMB302 PAPER - III: IMMUNOTECHNOLOGY AND BIOTECHNOLOGY 4H - 4C

Instruction Hours / week: L: 4 T: 0 P: 0

Marks: External: 100 Total: 100 End Semester Exam: 3 Hours

UNIT – I

Cells and Organs of immune system, T / B cell – maturation, activation – receptor, Cytokines – structure and functions, Antigen – Structure and chemical make-up, Immunoglobulin – structure - Organization and expression of Immunoglobulin genes, Purification of antigens and immunoglobulins., MHC – structure and functions, HLA tissue typing,

UNIT - II

Antigens - Antibody reactions, *In vitro* methods - Agglutination - Passive and reverse passive agglutination, Precipitation - reactions in gels - Immuno diffusion - Counter immuno electrophoresis, Complement fixation test, Immunofluorescence, ELISA, RIA, Immuno electron microscopy, Forensic serology.

UNIT - III

Introduction to genetic engineering, Restriction enzymes – types and nomenclature - classification – and uses, Cloning Vectors – types of vectors, Prokaryotic hosts: *E. coli*, Eukaryotic hosts: Yeast cell. Gene cloning - construction of cDNA and genomic libraries - selection and screening method of recombinants - Screening of recombinants for Site directed Mutagenesis by SSCP, heteroduplex analysis.

UNIT - IV

Isolation of DNA and RNA – Handling and quantification of nucleic acids, radiolabelling and non radiolabelling of nucleic acids, Gel electrophoresis - Blotting techniques, Hybridization and heteroduplex analysis, Molecular diagnostics of genetic disease using PCR / OLA, DNA diagnostic system in forensic sciences.

UNIT - V

Genetic engineering of plants and animals: Gene transfer techniques into plant and animal cell. Plants as tool for recombinant protein production; Development and use of transgenic animals; transgenic mice – methodology and applications. Ethical issues of gene cloning.

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20RMB303

PAPER - III: VIROLOGY

4H - 4C

Instruction Hours / week: L: 4 T: 0 P: 0

Marks: External: 100 Total: 100 End Semester Exam: 3 Hours

UNIT -I

History of Virology, Brief outline of virology: discovery of virus, General properties of viruses, Classification of viruses, Preservation of viruses, & Cultivation of viruses.

UNIT-II

Viruses & Human diseases: DNA viruses: Pox virus, Herpes virus, adenovirus. Papova virus, Hepadna virus, Pathogenesis & Laboratory diagnosis.

UNIT-III

Viruses & Human diseases: RNA viruses: Orthomyxo viruses, Paramyxo viruses, Influenzae and other arthropod born viruses, Retroviridae. Emerging Viral infection – SARS-CoV, Bird flu and Nipha Virus.

UNIT - IV

Virus – Host interaction, immunity to viral diseases. Antiviral agents and Viral Vaccines. Immunization Schedules.

UNIT -V

Epidemiology and Laboratory diagnosis of viruses: Electron microscopy, molecular and sero diagnosis of viral infections, PCR; Sequencing & genotyping.

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