

# **KARPAGAM ACADEMY OF HIGHER EDUCATION**

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## **M.Phil. / Ph.D. MICROBIOLOGY**

### **SYLLABUS**

**(Effective from the Academic year 2021 – 2022 and onwards)**

## **DEPARTMENT OF MICROBIOLOGY**

**2021 – 2022**

**DEPARTMENT OF MICROBIOLOGY**  
**FACULTY OF ARTS, SCIENCE AND HUMANITIES**  
**RESEARCH PROGRAM – PhD in Microbiology**  
**(2021–2022 Batch and onwards)**

| <b>Course code</b>   | <b>Name of the course</b>                  | <b>Instruction hours/ week</b> | <b>Credits</b> | <b>Maximum Marks (100)</b> |
|----------------------|--|--------------------------------|----------------|----------------------------|
| 21RMB101             | Research Methodology and Pedagogy          | 4                              | 4              | 100                        |
| 21RMB201             | Research and publication ethics            | 4                              | 4              | 100                        |
| 21RMB301             | Industrial and Pharmaceutical Microbiology | 4                              | 4              | 100                        |
| 21RMB302             | Immunotechnology and Biotechnology         |                                |                |                            |
| 21RMB303             | Virology                                   |                                |                |                            |
| 21RMB304             | Medical Microbiology                       |                                |                |                            |
| <b>Program Total</b> |  | <b>12</b>                      | <b>12</b>      | <b>300</b>                 |

**21RMB101 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, ES bound X ray spectroscopy, Red and blue shift, R and B bands various transition compounds, Vibrational spectroscopy, different vibrations, 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), High performance Thin Layer Liquid Chromatography (HPTLC), Perfusion chromatography, Ion-exchange 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)**

Concepts of data base management brief idea of data types, data structures, searching, sorting, designing a data base, genomic, proteomic databases. Computer analysis of genetic sequences: general concepts of sequence analysis identification of functional sequences, homology, brief idea of BLAST, ENTREZ and PUBMED. 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

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PAPER – II: RESEARCH AND 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 data.

**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 publisher 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.

**21RMB301 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**

Chemotherapeutic agents; Antimicrobial agents, sulfa drugs, antibiotics- penicillin and cephalosporin; classification of antibiotics; antibiotics from prokaryotes; mode and action of antibiotics, origin of drug resistance, mechanism action of drug resistance. 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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**21RMB302 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, RT PCR, Inverse PCR, Nested PCR, Multiplex PCR, Expression cassette PCR, Real time PCR. Applications – gene cloning, DNA sequencing, genome mapping 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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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**

Virology methods: Cultivation and purification of viruses, *In vitro* and *in ovo* system for virus growth, estimation of yields, methods for purification of viruses with special emphasis on ultracentrifugation. Epidemiology and Laboratory diagnosis of viruses: Electron microscopy, molecular and serodiagnosis of viral infections, PCR; Sequencing & genotyping.

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PAPER – III: MEDICAL MICROBIOLOGY

4H – 4C

**Instruction Hours / week: L: 4 T: 0 P: 0****Marks: External: 100 Total: 100****End Semester Exam: 3 Hours****UNIT – I**

Laboratory precaution and guidelines – collection – transportation – handling and examination of pathological specimens (Blood, Urine, Stool and sputum) – methods of isolation, identification and interpretation of pathogenic organisms – Antibiotic susceptibility testing. Infections – types – methods – Infectious disease cycle. Quality control in microbiology lab and automation in medical microbiology.

**UNIT – II**

Gram positive organisms: Morphology, cultural characteristics, antigenic property, pathogenicity, laboratory diagnosis and Treatment. *Staphylococcus* sp., *Streptococcus* sp., *Bacillus* sp., *Corynebacterium* sp., *Clostridium* sp. and *Mycobacterium* sp.

**UNIT – III**

Gram negative organisms: Morphology, cultural characteristics, antigenic property, pathogenicity, laboratory diagnosis and Treatment. *E.coli*, *Klebsiella* sp., *Proteus* sp., *Pseudomonas* sp., *Vibrio* sp., *Salmonella* sp., *Shigella* sp., *Treponema* sp., *Neisseria* sp. and *Haemophilus* sp. MDR, XDR and PDR.

**UNIT – IV**

Superficial mycosis - *Pityriasis versicolor*, *Tinea nigra*, *pedra*. Cutaneous mycosis Dermatophytes. Systemic mycosis - Coccidiomycosis - Blastomycosis – Histoplasmosis. Opportunistic mycosis, Candidosis, Aspergillosis, Zygomycosis. Subcutaneous mycosis – Sporotrichosis, Chromoblastomycosis and Mycetoma.

**UNIT – V**

Protozoan infections - *Entamoeba histolytica*, *Plasmodium vivax*, *Plasmodium falciparum*, *Giardia intestinalis*, *Trichomonas vaginalis*, *Taenia solium*. Trematodes - *Fasciola hepatica*, *Schistosoma haematobium*, Nematodes - *Trichuris trichiura*, *Ascaris lumbricoides*, and *Wuchereria Bancrofti*.

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