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DEPARTMENT OF MICROBIOLOGY

**SYLLABUS FOR I and II semester UNDERGRADUATE
PROGRAMME**

For Batch 2021-2024

SUMMARY OF CREDITS IN MICROBIOLOGY

DEPARTMENT OF MICROBIOLOGY (UG)								
(2021-2024)								
Semester 1	Code Number	Title	No. of Hours of Instructions	Number of Hours of teaching per week	Number of credits	Continuous Internal Assessment (CIA) Marks	End Semester Marks	Total marks
Theory	MB-121	Basic Microbiology & Microbiological techniques	60	04	04	30	70	100
Practical	MB-1P1	Basic Microbiology & Microbiological techniques	33	03	01	15	35	50
Total Number of credits:			05					
Semester 2	Code Number	Title	No. of Hours of Instructions	Number of teaching hrs /week	Number of credits	Continuous Internal Assessment (CIA) Marks	End Semester Marks	Total marks
Theory	MB-221	Biophysics, Biochemistry and Microbial diversity	60	04	04	30	70	100
Practical	MB-2P1	Biophysics, Biochemistry and Microbial diversity	33	03	01	15	35	50
Total Number of credits:			05					
Semester 3	Code Number	Title	No. of Hours of Instructions	Number of teaching hrs /week	Number of credits	Continuous Internal Assessment (CIA) Marks	End Semester Marks	Total marks
Theory	MB-321	Microbial physiology, growth and control of microorganisms	60	04	04	30	70	100
Practical	MB-3P1	Microbial physiology, growth and control of microorganisms	33	03	01	15	35	50
Total Number of credits:			05					
Semester 4	Code Number	Title	No. of Hours of Instructions	Number of teaching hrs /week	Number of credits	Continuous Internal Assessment (CIA) Marks	End Semester Marks	Total marks
Theory	MB-421	Microbial Genetics and Molecular Biology	30	02	02	15	35	50
Theory	MBOE-4121	Microbial Diseases: Causes, Prevention and Cure	30	02	02	15	35	50
Practical	MB-4P1	Microbial Genetics, Molecular Biology	33	03	01	15	35	50
Total Number of credits:			03					

<u>Semester 5</u>	Code Number	Title	No. of Hours of Instructions	Number of teaching hrs /week	Number of credits	Continuous Internal Assessment (CIA) Marks	End Semester Marks	Total marks
<u>Theory</u>	MB-5121	Immunology and Medical Microbiology	45	03	03	30	70	100
<u>Practical</u>	MB-5P1	Immunology and Medical Microbiology	33	03	01	15	35	50
<u>Theory</u>	MB-5221	Agricultural and Environmental Microbiology	45	03	03	30	70	100
<u>Practical</u>	MB-5P2	Agricultural and Environmental Microbiology	33	03	01	15	35	50
Total Number of credits:						08		
<u>Semester 6</u>	Code Number	Title	No. of Hours of Instructions	Number of teaching hrs /week	Number of credits	Continuous Internal Assessment (CIA) Marks	End Semester Marks	Total marks
Theory	MB-6121	Food and Fermentation Technology	45	03	03	30	70	100
Practical	MB-6P1	Food and Fermentation Technology	33	03	01	15	35	50
Theory	MB-6221	Microbial technology	45	03	03	30	70	100
Practical	MB-6P2	Microbial technology	33	03	01	15	35	50
Total Number of credits:						08		

CORE COURSES (CC)	
Course Title	Code Number
Basic Microbiology & Microbiological techniques	MB-121
Biophysics, Biochemistry and Microbial diversity	MB - 221
Microbial physiology, growth and control of microorganisms	MB - 321
Microbial Genetics, Molecular Biology	MB - 421
Immunology and Medical Microbiology	MB - 5121
Agricultural and Environmental Microbiology	MB - 5221
Food and Fermentation Technology	MB - 6121
Microbial technology	MB - 6221

**GENERIC ELECTIVE COURSES (GSE)/ Can include open
electives offered**

Course Title	Code Number
Microbial Diseases: Causes, Prevention and Cure	MBOE- 4121

**SKILL ENHANCEMENT COURSE (SEC) –
Any practical oriented and software based courses offered by
departments to be listed below**

Course Title	Code Number
Basic Microbiology & Microbiological techniques	MB-1P ₁
Biophysics, Biochemistry and Microbial diversity	MB-2P ₁
Microbial physiology, growth and control of microorganisms	MB-3P ₁
Microbial Genetics, Molecular Biology	MB-4P ₁
Immunology and Medical Microbiology	MB-5P ₁
Agricultural and Environmental Microbiology	MB-5P ₂
Food and Fermentation Technology	MB-6P ₁
Microbial technology	MB-6P ₂

VALUE ADDED COURSES (VAC)

Certificate courses that add value to the core papers can be listed

Course Title	Code Number
Principles of Genetic Engineering	PGE 1 MB
Food Technology	
Ethics in Life Sciences and Health care Sector	

Course Outcomes and Course Content

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Semester	I
Paper Code	MB-121
Paper Title	Basic Microbiology and Microbiological Techniques
Number of teaching hours per week	04
Total number of teaching hours per semester	60
Number of credits	04

Objective of the Paper:

This paper introduces the students to the history, contribution of scientists, scope and the diversity of Microorganisms. It gives an overview of the microbial world and the techniques used to visualize and keep microbes in check. This paper acts as the first step to gain insight about the basics of the vast field of Microbiology.

UNIT – I

History and Scope of Microbiology:

a. Theories of origin of life

Scope and relevance of Microbiology as a modern science

Branches of Microbiology²

b. Contribution of Scientists to the field of Microbiology:

Antony Von Leewenhoek, Francisco Redi, Edward Jenner, Louis Pasteur, Joseph Lister, Robert Koch and Alexander Flemming.²

c. Microscopic examination of Microorganisms

Light Microscopy-Bright field, Dark field, Fluorescence and Phase contrast

Electron microscopy (TEM and SEM)⁷

UNIT – II

General Characteristics of Microorganisms

a. Introduction to prokaryotic and eukaryotic cells:

Comparative study of cellular organization of prokaryotes and eukaryotes

b. Bacteriology:

Overview of a bacterial cell (morphology, ultra structure and function)

Structure and function of flagella, pili and capsule, cell wall (gram positive and gram negative), cell membrane, mesosomes, ribosomes, and genetic material.

Plasmid- types and function.

Inclusion bodies and reserve food materials.

Endospore – structure, function, sporulation and germination.

Reproduction in bacteria: asexual and sexual, horizontal gene transfer.

Bacteria with unusual properties:

Mycoplasma

Actinomycetes **14**

c. Phycology

General characteristics and importance.

Overview of cyanobacterial cell (Ultrastructure and functions)

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UNIT – III

d. Mycology

Overview of fungal cell -ultra structure of Hyphal and yeast form.

Structure and function of cell wall, cell membrane, flagella, cell organelles.

Reproduction in fungi: asexual and sexual

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e. Virology

Structure, Reproduction, and Significance of:

Bacterial viruses - T4, Plant virus- TMV, Animal virus - HIV.

Cultivation of viruses.

f. Protozoology– General characters and type study- Paramecium (structure and reproduction).

g. Infectious particles- Prions & Viroids (general characteristics and diseases.)

Emergent pathogen relevant at the time - case study

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UNIT – IV

Microbiological techniques

a. Staining Techniques:

Simple staining (Negative staining)

Differential staining (Grams and Acid fast staining)

Structural staining (endospore, flagella and capsular staining) and fungal staining

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b. Sterilization techniques:

i) Factors affecting antimicrobial activity: -

Environment, organisms, physiological status of the organisms, inoculum concentration, intensity of concentration of the antimicrobial agent, temperature and time of action as factors affecting antimicrobial activity.

ii) Physical methods:

Moist heat (Pasteurization)

Moist heat under pressure (Autoclave)

Dry heat (incineration, hot air over)

Filtration- membrane filter, HEPA filter

Radiation (UV- rays, X- rays, ultrasonic rays)

iii) Chemicals (alcohols, formaldehyde, phenol, halogens and heavy

metals): Characteristics of an ideal antimicrobial chemical agent

Evaluation of antimicrobial chemical agents- agar plate techniques, Phenol co-efficient methods.

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NOTE: 8 hours of self-study will be assigned from the above units.

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1. Jacquelyn G.Black, (2008), Microbiology Principles and explorations, JohnWiley& sons Ltd
2. Prescott, Harley & Klein's,(2008), Microbiology, Mac Graw Hill Higher education.
3. James T Staley; (2007)Microbial Life; Sinauer Associates.
4. Michael J Pelczar, JR. E.C.S Chan, Noel R. Krieg; Microbiology, TATA McGraw-Hill publication.
5. Douglas B Murphy; Fundamentals of light microscopy and electronic imaging; John Wiley and Sons.

BLUEPRINT

Code number: **MB 121**

Title of the paper: **Basic microbiology and Microbiological techniques.**

Total marks for which the questions are to be asked (including bonus questions)	Number of Hrs	Chapter number
19	11	Unit I
27	17	Unit II
27	17	Unit III
23	15	Unit IV
Total	96	60
Maximum marks for the paper (Excluding bonus question)= 70		

Practical I

MB 1P₁ – Basic microbiology and Microbiological techniques (11 sessions 3hr/week)

1. Safety measures in laboratory.
2. Study of compound and binocular microscopes.
3. Study of instruments- Autoclave, hot air oven, LAF, incubator, membrane filter, colony counter.
4. Preparation of media – NB, NA.
5. Isolation and identification of bacteria.
6. Pure culture techniques – pour plate, spread plate and streak plate (Simple, Continuous, Quadrant) methods.
7. Aseptic transfer techniques.
8. Staining of bacteria – Gram's, Negative, Endospore and Capsule Staining.
9. Permanent slides – *Aspergillus*, *Penicillium*, *Rhizopus* and *Anabaena*.

Course outcomes (MB121): At the end of the Course, the Student will be able to

CO1	Appreciate contributions of Pioneers in the field of microbial research.
CO2	Get acquainted with different types of microbial life forms and their basic structure and functions.
CO3	Understand the basics of structural organization of a prokaryotic and eukaryotic cell.
CO4	Build a strong foundation in theoretical and practical understanding of growth and control of microorganisms
CO5	Apply the knowledge gained to identify and use various laboratory aids to culture, visualize and control microorganisms.
CO6	Compare and contrast the similarities and differences between different groups of microorganisms.
CO7	Assess the importance of microbes in all realms of life.
CO8	Apply the basic disinfection and sterilization techniques to maintain health and hygiene.

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Semester	II
Paper Code	MB-221
Paper Title	Biophysics, Biochemistry and Microbial diversity
Number of teaching hrs per week	04
Total number of teaching hrs per semester	60
Number of credits	04

Objective of the Paper:

This paper enables students to learn about the Bio molecules present in microbial cells and the techniques used in their biophysical and biochemical analysis. It also deals with the study of the diversification of microorganisms.

UNIT - I

Biophysics

a. Scope and development of Biophysics 1

b. Properties and dissociation of water

Structure, properties, hydrogen bonding, water as a solvent and ionization of water 3

c. pH and Buffers pH –

pH- concept and pH scale; Buffers- concept.

Henderson- Hasselbalch equation, Biological buffer systems 3

d. Isotopes and Radioactivity

Nature of radioactivity, Atomic structure and stability, Types of radioactive emissions, Rate and half life of disintegration. Applications of radioisotopes in the biological sciences, safety measures and Autoradiography. 4

UNIT - II

Analytical techniques

Principle and applications of Chromatography (Paper chromatography, Thin layer chromatography, Column chromatography), Centrifugation and Electrophoresis (agarose gel electrophoresis and SDS-PAGE), Spectrophotometry. 7

UNIT - III

Bio molecules

Amino acids and Peptides- Classification and Properties (titration curve of amino acids).	3
Proteins – Classification of proteins based on structure and functions, Structural organization of proteins (Primary, Secondary, Tertiary and Quaternary structures)	4
Nucleic acids – Experiments to elucidate nucleic acids as genetic material, DNA (Watson and Crick model, types of DNA and its functions), Structure and function of mRNA, tRNA and rRNA	4
Vitamins – Water soluble and Fat- soluble vitamins(Dietary source and deficiency disorders)	3
Carbohydrates – Structure, Properties and Classification.	4
Lipids – Structure, Properties and Classification.	3

UNIT – IV

Enzymology

Introduction to enzymes, Classification, Enzyme kinetics (Michaelis Menten Equation)	
Factors influencing enzyme activity, co-enzymes and co-factors,	
Mechanisms of enzyme regulation	7

UNIT – V

Microbial Diversity

a. Microorganisms and microbial ecology – Classification based on temperature, pH, oxygen requirement, salt concentration and pressure (with adaptation strategies for each parameter), nutritional types	4
b. Microbial associations (Parasitism, symbiosis, commensalism, antagonism, predator, and competition).	4
c. Microbial systematics Bacterial Classification Bergey's manual.	
1. Brief account on- Numerical taxonomy, chemotaxonomy and genetic analyses.	4
2. Fungal classification – Alexopolus	1
3. Viral Classification – Baltimore	1

NOTE: 8 hours of self-study assigned from the above units.

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1. Michael M Cox, David L Nelson; Lehninger, Principles of Biochemistry; 5th edition; Worth Publishers, Inc
2. Jain and Jain; Biochemistry
3. Wilson and Walker; Principles and Techniques of Biochemistry and Molecular Biology.
4. Upadhyaya; Biophysical chemistry
5. James T Staley; (2007) Microbial Life; Sinauer Associates
6. Atlas and Bartha; Microbial Ecology.
7. Jacquelyn G. Black, (2008), Microbiology Principles and explorations, John Wiley & sons Ltd
8. Prescott, Harley & Klein's, (2008), Microbiology, Mac Graw Hill Higher education.

BLUEPRINT

Code number: **MB 221**

Title of the paper: **Biophysics, Biochemistry and Microbial diversity**

Total marks for which the questions are to be asked (including bonus questions)		Number of Hrs	Chapter number
18		11	Unit I
11		07	Unit II
34		21	Unit III
11		07	Unit IV
22		14	Unit V
Total	96	60	
Maximum marks for the paper (Excluding bonus question)= 70			

MB2P₁ – Biophysics, Biochemistry and Microbial diversity
(11 sessions 3hr/week)

1. Study of instruments: Centrifuge, pH meter, Spectrophotometer.
2. Preparation of buffer – citrate and phosphate buffer.
3. Estimation of reducing sugars by DNSA method.
4. Estimation of Protein by Lowry's method.
5. Estimation of DNA by Diphenylamine (DPA) method.
6. Estimation of RNA by Orcinol method.
7. Paper chromatography of amino acids.
8. Isolation and identification of fungi.
9. Study of microbial interactions - antagonism (Bacteria v/s Bacteria, Bacteria v/s Fungi, Fungi v/s Fungi).

Course outcomes (MB221): At the end of the Course, the Student will be able to

CO1	Gain insight into the structure and function of biomolecules and the techniques used for their analysis.
CO2	Gain knowledge about the diversification of microorganisms and interactions between them.
CO3	Understand the principles of various analytical techniques used to study biomolecules.
CO4	Develop an understanding of the characteristics/adaptations of different types of microorganisms and methods to classify them.
CO5	Estimate biomolecules in different samples
CO6	Analyze microbial interactions
CO7	Appreciate the importance of biomolecules in living systems