

DEPARTMENT OF MICROBIOLOGY

SYLLABUS

M.Sc. (MICROBIOLOGY)

Effective from academic session 2019-2020



RADHA GOVIND UNIVERSITY
RAMGARH, JHARKHAND

The brochure of the programme of study in Microbiology is broadly divided into three parts.

(A) General Information

(B) Scheme of Examination and

(C) Course of Study.

(A)General Information

1. Duration of the Course: The M.Sc. Microbiology programme offered by Radha Govind University is of two years' duration and is divided into four semesters. The first part of the course shall be called M.Sc. previous consisting of 1st and 2nd semesters and second part as M.Sc. final, consisting of 3rd and 4th semesters. At the end of each Semester/Academic year, there shall be university examination. The various courses of the programme are designed to include classroom teaching and lectures, laboratory work, project work, viva, seminars, assignments and field trips.

2. Eligibility for admission: The student shall be eligible for admission to a Master's Degree Program in Microbiology after he/she has successfully completed a three year undergraduate degree or earned prescribed number of credits through the examinations conducted by University as equivalent to an undergraduate degree.

Admission criteria for M.Sc. (Microbiology): Entrance test based and Merit based.

Eligibility	Course requirements	Marks requirement
For Entrance Based	B.Sc. (General) or B.Sc. (Hons.) or an equivalent Undergraduate Degree in any branch of Life Sciences/ Medical Sciences/ any branch of Biology	60% or above marks in qualifying exam
For Merit Based	B.Sc. (Hons.) in Microbiology from the University of Delhi (after 10+2+3)	60% or above marks in qualifying exam

The number of seats will be 25. Number of seats can be increased from time to time on the approval of the Vice Chancellor. Admission to the course will be done through a National Written Entrance Test followed by personal interview counseling to be conducted at the University preferably in the month of June each year.

Method of Admission:

The admission to the 1st Semester of Master's Course will be made in general on the basis of a merit list of the application prepared on the basis of marks obtained in the last qualifying examination or on the basis of the written entrance test conducted by the university for the purpose.

Reservation and Weightage:

(i) The reservation rules of the Jharkhand state government framed for the purpose of admission shall be applicable to different caste categories of the candidates provided that 15% of the total seat of the department shall be reserved for students passing outside the Jharkhand state, out of which 5% seats will be reserved for NRI categories. In case candidate of a particular category are not available adequately, the vacant seats will be treated as general seats.

(ii) The following categories of candidates will be provided weightage of marks obtained against each category for preparing merit list.

Category: - Weightage (percent of marks to be added in the relevant Marks obtained by the candidate in the subject concerned for preparing merit list)

(i) Girl Student	3%
(ii) Department of Ex Serviceman	2%
a. Ward of Teaching and Non-teaching Staff of the University/College under Privilege of the University	7%
(iv) N.C.C	
(a) N.C.C. Cadet having camp certificate	1%
(b) N.C.C. Cadet having state comp certificate	2%
(c) N.C.C. CADET having National camp Certificate	3%
(d) N.C.C. C- Certificate	5%
(e) N.C.C. B-Certificate	4%
(v) N.S.S	
(a) N.S.S. Special Camp Certificate (unit level)	1%
(b) N.S.S. Zonal Level	2%
(c) PRD- Camp N.S.S National Level Camp	3%
(d) R.D.Parade/National award	5%
(vi) Sports/Cultural Activities/Fine Art and Music/Drama	
(a) International Level Representation	
(i) Olympic or Equivalent	20%
(ii) Asian Level	15%
(b) National Level	10%
(c) Representation of the college at State/Zonal Level	05%

Provided that no candidate shall be allowed two benefits at the same time.

The Total number of seats allotted to the University Department shall be fixed by the Syndicate on the recommendation of the Academic Council.

Provided that if the Academic Council does not ratify the increase in the number of seats, the increase will be reverted back only in next academic session.

3. Course Fee per Semester: This course will be totally operated under self –Finance Scheme of the University. Candidates admitted to this course will pay for his/her seats Rs 25,000 for General/OBC category and Rs 20,000 for SC/ST category along with other fees of the University every semester. Fee may be increased as and when required after due consideration.

4. Selection Procedure: The admission to first semester/year of M.Sc. Microbiology course shall be made on the basis of performance of the candidate at the **Entrance Aptitude test (EAT)**

followed by **counselling** and **interview**. For admission against NRI/NRI sponsored seats, EAT is not required but the sponsored candidates shall be required to appear at **Special test** including Viva-voce on a date to be decided by the department.

5. Nature of test: The entrance test will be conducted to test the knowledge of the candidates from various disciplines of Microbiology (Covering 80% questions of Degree level) & Mathematics including Statistics, Physics & Computer (covering 20% questions of + level). Questions will be of Objective/.Multiple choice/Fill in the blank type. There shall be **Negative Marking** and half of the total marks of each question will be deducted for wrong answer.

6. Scope of students (Structure of Programme): There will be four papers along with practical in each semester. Every student of fourth semester will submit a dissertation. The course of studies in different papers and in practical will be as per syllabus prescribed by the Board of Studies in Microbiology, Radha Govind University.

Course Structure

The Course structure of Semester I-IV shall be as under.

(Total Credits: 96)

FIRST SEMESTER

(24 credits)

Paper	Subject Code	No. of Credits per week	Teaching (in hours) per week	Minimum Teaching required in Hrs
I	MBM-101	4(4x1=4)	4	45
II	MBM-102	4(4x1=4)	4	45
III	MBM-103	4 (4x1=4)	4	45
IV	MBM-104	4 (4x1=4)	4	45
V	MBM-105	4 (4x1=4)	4	45
VI	MBM-106	4 (4x1=4)	4	45/90

SECOND SEMESTER

(24 credits)

Paper	Subject Code	No. of Credits per week	Teaching (in hours) per week	Minimum Teaching required in Hrs
VII	MBM-201	4(4x1=4)	4	45
VIII	MBM-202	4(4x1=4)	4	45
IX	MBM-203	4(4x1=4)	4	45
X	MBM-204	4(4x1=4)	4	45
XI	MBM-205	4(4x1=4)	4	45
XII	MBM-206	4(4x1=4)	4	45/90

THIRD SEMESTER

(24 credits)

Paper	Subject Code	No. of Credits per week	Teaching (in hours) per week	Minimum Teaching required in Hrs
XIII	MBM-301	4(4x1=4)	4	45
XIV	MBM-302	4(4x1=4)	4	45
XV	MBM-303	4(4x1=4)	4	45
XVI	MBM-304	4(4x1=4)	4	45
XVII	MBM-305	4(4x1=4)	4	45
XVIII	MBM-306	4(4x1=4)	4	45/90

FOURTH SEMESTER

(24 credits)

Paper	Subject Code	No. of Credits per week	Teaching (in hours) per week	Minimum Teaching required in Hrs
XIX	MBM-307	4(4x1=4)	4	45
XX	MBM-308	4(4x1=4)	4	45
XXI	MBM-309	4(4x1=4)	4	45
XXII	MBM-310	4(4x1=4)	4	45
XXIII	MBM-311	4(4x1=4)	4	45
XXIV	MBM-312	4(4x1=4)	4	45/90

7. Internal (Continuous) Assessment: Apart from the semester (term) examination, every student of first, second and third semesters will be assessed in (i) Written tests (ii) Assignments. (iii) Seminars (iv) Attendance

(i) Written tests: In I, II, III and IV semesters, every student will have to appear in two written test at least.

(a) The assessment (sessional) in theory courses shall comprise a class test of 1.5 hour duration for 20 marks and 10 marks for regularity/viva/quiz/ or any other similar test.

The 30 marks of sessional for courses of laboratory exercises shall be based on completion of the laboratory exercise in due course of time/keeping up of practical record book / punctuality in class/viva to the practical/ any other relevant judgment.

(b) At the discretion of the concerned Head, a student who could not appear in the internal test(s) already conducted on account of some cogent reasons, such as late admission, illness, etc., may be allowed to appear in the internal assignment/test held for such a student.

(c) The class tests shall be conducted by the teacher (or group of teachers) teaching the course and the marks shall be displayed on the Notice Board and the student must be allowed to see their evaluated answer books based on their desire.

(d) Head of The Department shall ensure that all internal assessment marks of the sessional are sent to Controller of Examination prior to the commencement of End Semester Examination.

(e) Sessional marks of a course shall be carried over for failed students in the course.

(ii) Assignments: Regular assignments will be given to each student during 1st, 2nd and 3rd semester in each course. Assignments should be relevant to course content. Credit for assignments in each semester shall be included along with internal assessment marks.

(iii) Seminars: Students in I, II and III semesters will be required to deliver one seminar of 30 minute duration followed by discussion. The performance of the student will be judged by two teachers of the department. The credit for seminar in each semester shall be included along with internal assessment exam marks.

(iv) Attendance: - Each student shall attend at least 75% of the classes (Theory / Practical/ Library/ Seminar) held in the department, failing which He/ She shall be debarred from filling up the University Examination form/appearing at the University Examination. Internal evaluations will also be done for the above.

Absence during the Semester-

(a) A student must inform the HOD concerned immediately of any instance of continuous absence from classes.

(b) A student who is absent due to illness should approach the teachers concerned for make-up test

immediately on return to class. The request should be supported with a medical certificate issued by a registered medical practitioner.

(c) In case of period of absence on medical grounds is more than 20 days during the Semester a student may apply for withdrawal from the semester. Such application must be made as early as possible. No applications for semester withdrawal will be considered after External examination have commenced. Partial withdrawn in a semester is not allowed.

(d) If a student is continuously absent from the institute for more than four weeks without permission of the Head of the Department concerned, his/her name will be removed from institute rolls.

8. Eligibility for taking examination: Students Participation in the Course (Attendance):

No student admitted to M.Sc. course in Microbiology, shall be considered to have completed the course and be eligible for taking the concerned examination unless he/she has attended at least 75% of lectures and practicals and has completed his/her project work. The H.O.D. concerned/Principal can act at his/her discretion to exempt 5% attendance under special condition only on production of medical certificate. The student(s) **will be declared failed in that subject/course/semester.**

9. Term (Semester) Examination: There shall be term (semester) examination at the end of each semester. The semester examination will be held every year normally in the month of December and June or on dates declared in the academic calendar of the Department/University. A student seeking admission to a semester examination will submit through the Head of the Department his/her application on prescribed form along with required examination fee, etc to the Registrar of the University. Every student will appear in five respective theory papers and one combined practical examination of 6 hour duration in every semester except for the fourth semester. In the fourth semester, every student will be allotted dissertation work in lieu of 4 theory papers and 1 practical paper Also the students have to study one theory paper and appear in exam. Allotment of dissertation will be done by a committee comprising of the Head of the Department of Microbiology and other faculties of the Department, preferably in a National Laboratory/ Institute etc. However if it is not arranged in these institutions, the students however may be permitted to pursue their dissertation work in the department or other Universities/ Private Universities or to a government recognized Laboratory or any institution duly recognized by a statutory body.

The dissertation evaluation will be evaluated by the external examiner(s) who has expertise in the concerned subject. For the purpose of holding viva-voce 2 external examiners will be appointed so. The scheme of marks for evaluating the various components of dissertation will be followed as given in the syllabus. **The dissertation evaluation will be purely external in nature.**

10. Condition for Pass: For passing the examination in each semester, a candidate must have secured a minimum of 45% marks in aggregate in theory, practical, dissertation and internal assessment separately. The students who do not pass a semester examination shall get an opportunity in the subsequent examination of that semester in the papers in which they have failed in the next academic session. Provided any student who fails in two consecutive semesters will not be given privileges of this clause.

Eligibility criteria for taking admission in 2nd/3rd/4th Semester:

All Candidates who have passed or promoted in the previous semester may take admission in next semester.

11. Result: The result of the candidate will be declared on the basis of aggregate marks obtained by him/her in all semester examination taken together. The division shall be awarded on the following basis *viz.*

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| (i) First Division: | 60% and above |
| (ii) Second Division: | 45% and above but less than 60% |
| (iii) Failed: | Less than 45% |

The result of an examination shall be published as per the provisions of the concerned Ordinance.

Examination:

There shall be the following four examinations comprising the course.

1st Examination: On completion of the courses for the period prescribed therein in November/December

2nd Examination: On completion of the courses for the period prescribed therein in April/May/June.

(B). Scheme of Examination of a Semester: The examination of each paper shall have two components- written examination at the end of each semester carrying 70% marks to be conducted by the University and Sessional work of 30% to be evaluated by the Departmental Council. Sessional work shall comprise the written component Seminars/Cultural Activities/NCC/NSS/Sports and day to day assessment. The written component shall carry 20% marks of a paper Seminars/Cultural Activities/Sports/NCC/NSS be 5% and day to day assessment 5% of a paper. The sessional work shall be evaluated which will comprise the candidate by the Departmental Council on the basis of his/her performance in various extra-curricular activities, general behavior, performance at seminar, etc.

(i). Scheme of Examination:

As and when required, the Board of Studies in Microbiology, Radha Govind University will be empowered to change the scheme of examination.

(ii). Others: Moderation of Results, Award of Degrees and other provisions not covered under the present regulation shall be governed by the regulation for Masters examination in Arts, Science and Commerce of Radha Govind University, and may, if needed be reviewed.

(C). Course of Study: The courses of the studies in different papers and in practicals will be as per syllabus prescribed by the Board of Studies in Microbiology, Radha Govind University. The syllabus of M.Sc. Microbiology shall be demarcated in to well defined units/areas of content along with a topic wise break up in each paper as per UGC/ Microbiology guidelines. The syllabus may be revised as per discretion of the university.

There shall be twenty-four papers, all the papers will be of 100 marks each. Dissertation paper in 4th semester will be of 100 marks. The duration of test of theory papers will be of 3 hours and that of practical papers will be of 6 hours.

Teaching in Microbiology subject shall follow the Semester pattern with a minimum of 90 days covered in 15-16 weeks per semester as provided in the relevant summary chart.

Invited lectures from eminent Researchers, Industrialists and others, on recent issues related to Biodiversity, Ethics, Biosafety, Intellectual Property Rights and Patent Issues, and Good Laboratory and Manufacturing practices shall be organized.

Note: The Departmental council shall be responsible for conduct of sessional examination. Normally the test of a portion shall be conducted by the teacher who had imparted the teaching of the relevant portion and shall evaluate the answer paper and submit the result to the HOD within a week of the test conducted.

The following are the detailed schemes of examination of a semester.

COURSE STRUCTURE OF M.Sc.

Semester	Paper number	Name of the Paper	Mid Sem	End Sem	Full Marks	Pass Marks
Semester I	Paper I	General Microbiology	30	70	100	40
	Paper II	Diversity of Prokaryotic and Eukaryotic Microbes	30	70	100	40
	Paper III	Microbial Physiology and Metabolism	30	70	100	40
	Paper IV	Virology	30	70	100	40
	Paper V	Practical based on Paper I and Paper II	30	70	100	40
	Paper VI	Practical based on Paper III and Paper IV	30	70	100	40
Semester II	Paper VII	Cell Biology and Analytical techniques	30	70	100	40
	Paper VIII	Bio-Molecules and Enzymes	30	70	100	40
	Paper IX	Environmental Microbiology	30	70	100	40
	Paper X	Microbial Genetics	30	70	100	40
	Paper XI	Practical based on Paper VII and Paper VIII	30	70	100	40
	Paper XII	Practical based on Paper IX and Paper X	30	70	100	40

Semester III	Paper XIII	Molecular Biology	30	70	100	40
	Paper XIV	Recombinant DNA Technology	30	70	100	40
	Paper XV	Medical Microbiology	30	70	100	40
	Paper XVI	Agricultural Microbiology	30	70	100	40
	Paper XVII	Practical based on Paper XIII and Paper XIV	30	70	100	40
	Paper XVIII	Practical based on Paper XV and Paper XVI	30	70	100	40
Semester IV	Paper XIX	Industrial Microbiology and Bioprocess Engineering	30	70	100	40
	Paper XX	Bioinformatics	30	70	100	40
	Paper XXI	Immunology	30	70	100	40
	Paper XXII	Food And Dairy Microbiology	30	70	100	40
	Paper XXIII	Practical based XX, Paper XXI and Paper XII	30	70	100	40
	Paper XXIV	DISSERTATION	00	00	100	40
		Total Marks			2400	

M.Sc. Microbiology Semester I

Paper I: General Microbiology

UNIT – I: History and scope of Microbiology. Recent trends and developments in modern microbiology. Identification, characterization and classification of microorganisms- Principles of bacterial taxonomy and classification: - Bergey's manual and its importance, Concepts, nomenclature and taxonomic ranks: general properties of bacterial groups. Major characteristics used in Taxonomy- morphological, physiological and metabolic, ecological, numerical taxonomy, genetic and molecular classification systems; the kingdoms of organisms and phylogenetic trees. Distinguishing characteristics between prokaryotic and eukaryotic cells Structure and function of Cell wall of bacteria, cell membranes, flagella, pili, capsule, gas vesicles, carboxysomes, magnetosomes and phycobolisolomes.

UNIT- II: Methods of sterilization: Physical methods – Dry heat, moist heat, radiation methods, filtration methods, chemical methods and their application. Concept of containment facility, sterilization at industrial level. Microbial cultures: Concept of pure culture, Methods of pure culture isolation, Enrichment culturing techniques, single cell isolation, and pure culture development. Microscopic identification characteristics, staining methods – simple staining, differential staining, structural staining and special staining methods.

UNIT -III: Microbiological media-Natural and synthetic; autotrophic, heterotrophic and phototropic media: basal, defined, complex, enrichment, selective, differential, maintenance and transport media Preservation and Maintenance of Microbial cultures: Repeated sub culturing, preservation at low temperature, sterile soil preservation, mineral oil preservation, deepfreezing and liquid nitrogen preservation, drying, glycerol cultures, freeze- drying (lyophilization).

UNIT -IV:Bacterial nutrition and growth kinetics- synchronous, stock, batch and continuous cultures. Growth measurement methods –Metabolic diversity, measurements of NAD, ATP, DNA, and Protein, CO₂ liberated O₂ consumed, extra cellular enzymes. Cultivation of aerobes and anaerobes.

Reproduction and spore formation in bacteria. Morphology, Ultra structure and chemical composition of bacteria, actinomycetes, spirochetes, rickettsiae, mycoplasma, Chlamydiae.

Recommended Books: -

1. Wiley, J.M., Sherwood, L.M. and Woolverton, C.J. Prescott, Harley and Klein's microbiology. McGraw-Hill, New York.
2. Black, J.G. Microbiology: Principles and exploration. John Wiley and Sons, New Jersey.
3. Madigan, M.T., Martinko, J.M. and Parker, J. Brock biology of microorganisms. Prentice Hall, New Jersey.
4. Pommerville, J.C. Alcamo's fundamentals of microbiology. Jones and Bartlett Learning, Sudbury.
5. Wheelis, M. Principles of modern microbiology. Jones and Bartlett Learning, Sudbury.

M.Sc. Microbiology Semester I

Paper II: Diversity of Prokaryotic and Eukaryotic Microbes

UNIT I. Archaea: Systematics, and occurrence, diversity, characteristic features, significance and potential applications (eg., biochips, methane generation, ultrafiltration membranes, production of PHB and PHA, desulphurization of coal and crude oil, bioleaching of metals, enzymes, compatible solutes and others) of different groups of archaeobacteria (Crenarchaeota, Euarchaeota, Korarchaeota, Nanoarchaeota).

UNIT II. Bacteria: Conventional and molecular systematics, and general discussion on the occurrence, diversity, characteristic features, significance and potential applications of various groups of bacteria according to Bergey's Manual of Systematic Bacteriology.

UNIT III. Fungal Systematics and diversity: Implications of molecular and biochemical methods including rDNA analysis, RFLP, RAPD. Endophytic fungi, colonization and adaptation of endophytes. Endophytes as latent pathogens and biocontrol agents.

Mycorrhizal fungi: Diversity of endo and ectomycorrhizal fungi. Biology of arbuscular mycorrhizal fungi: signaling, penetration and colonization inside roots, culturing and benefits, recent advances in the field of mycorrhiza. **Agriculturally important toxigenic fungi:** Biodiversity, Chemical and biological characterization of toxic metabolites, toxigenic fungi in sustainable agriculture with special emphasis on biopesticides.

UNIT IV. Biotechnological applications of yeasts: Yeasts as producers of bioactive molecules such as pigments, lipids, organic acids and EPS, yeasts as probiotics, yeasts in bioremediation, yeasts in alcoholic fermentations.

UNIT V. Algal diversity from morphology to molecules: Importance of algae in production of algal pigments, biofuels, hydrogen production, important bioactive molecules, role of algae in sustainable environment.

Recommended Books: -

1. The Prokaryotes. A handbook on the biology of bacteria: ecophysiology, isolation, identification, applications. Volumes I-IV by Balows, A., Trüper, H. G., Dworkin, M., Harder, W., Schleifer, K. H. Springer-Verlag, New York; 1992
2. Bacterial Systematics, by Logan, A., Niall A. Logan, Wiley-blackwell; 1994
3. Principles of Microbiology by R.M. Atlas, Mosby publishers, St. Louis; 1995
4. Brock Biology of Microorganisms (12th edition) by Madigan and John M. Martinko, Paul V. Dunlap, David P. Clark Benjamin Cummings; 2008.
5. Microbiology : An Introduction by Gerard J Tortora, Berdell R Funke, Christine L Case Benjamin- Cummings Publishing Company ; 2008.

M.Sc. Microbiology Semester I
Paper III: Microbial Physiology and Metabolism

UNIT I. Growth and cell division: Measurement of growth, growth physiology, cell division, growth yields, growth kinetics, steady state growth and continuous growth.

UNIT II. Solute Transport: Primary and Secondary transport: Introduction, Kinetics, ABC transporters, Phosphotransferase system, Drug export systems, amino acid transport.

UNIT III. Central Metabolic Pathways and Regulation: Glycolysis, PPP, ED pathway, Citric acid cycle: Branched TCA and Reverse TCA, glyoxylate cycle.

UNIT IV. Protein and Nitrogen metabolism: Metabolism of amino acids: Amino acid biosynthesis and utilisation. Catabolism of amino acid, transamination, decarboxylation and oxidative deamination.

UNIT V. Metabolism of lipids and hydrocarbons: Lipid composition of microorganisms, biosynthesis and degradation of lipids.

UNIT VI. Metabolism of nucleotides: Purine and pyrimidine biosynthesis, regulation of purine and pyrimidine biosynthesis, inhibitors of nucleotide synthesis.

UNIT VII. Physiological Adaptations and Intercellular signaling: Introduction to two component system, regulatory systems during aerobic- anaerobic shifts: Arc, Fnr, Nar, FhlA, Regulon, response to phosphate supply: The Pho regulon. Quorum sensing: A and C signaling system, sporulation in *Bacillus subtilis*, control of competence in *Bacillus subtilis*. Heat-Shock responses, pH homeostasis, osmotic homeostasis.

Recommended Books: -

1. Biochemistry by Geoffrey L. Zubay. Fourth Edition, Addison-Wesley educational publishers Inc., 2008
2. Lehninger Principles of Biochemistry by David L. Nelson and Michael M. Cox. Fifth Edition, W.H. Freeman and Company; 2008.
3. Microbial lipids edited by C. Ratledge and SG Wilkinson, second edition, Academic Press; 1988.
4. Microbial Physiology by Albert G. Moat and John W. Foster. Third edition, John Wiley and Sons; 2002
5. The Physiology and Biochemistry of Prokaryotes by David White. Second Edition, Oxford University Press; 2000.

M.Sc. Microbiology Semester I

Paper IV: VIROLOGY

UNIT I. Animal Viruses: Classification, Morphology and Chemistry of Viruses: Virus evolution and classification, properties of viruses, virus structure. Techniques for visualisation and enumeration of viral particles, measuring biological activity of viruses, characterization of viral products expressed in infected cells, Diagnostic virology, Physical and chemical manipulation of viruses.

UNIT II. Virus replication Strategies: Principal events involved in replication: Adsorption, penetration, uncoating nucleic acid and protein synthesis, intracellular trafficking, assembly, maturation and release, viral- host interaction, Host response to viral infection. Replicative strategies employed by animal DNA viruses. Replicative strategies employed by animal RNA viruses. Identification of virus prototypes associated with different virus replication schemes; Details on important viruses namely Herpes virus, Poliovirus, Influenza virus, VSV, SV40 and Adeno Virus, Poxviruses, Hepatitis Viruses, coronaviruses, Retroviruses. **Subviral pathogens:** HDV, Prions, Viroid.

UNIT III. Pathogenesis of viral infection and control of viral diseases: Stages of infection, Patterns of some viral diseases- epidemiology, transmission, infection, symptoms, risk, transformation and oncogenesis, emerging viruses. Host specific and nonspecific defense mechanisms involved in resistance to and recovery from virus infections. Role of interferon in viral infections. Viral Chemotherapy: Nucleoside analogs, reverse transcriptase inhibitors, protease inhibitors, History of vaccines especially smallpox and polio. New methods: subunit vaccines, anti- idio type and DNA vaccines.

UNIT IV. Plant and microbial viruses: General methods of propagation of plant viruses; purification of plant viruses using centrifugation, chromatography and electrophoresis techniques, their assay and comparison of the sensitivity of assay methods; methods employed in identification of plant viruses and structural and functional genomics.

UNIT V. Symptoms of plant virus diseases, transmission of plant viruses, viral and viroid diseases and their control: General discussion on symptoms caused by viruses and viroids in diseased economically important trees and agricultural crops, and their control including development of virus disease resistant transgenic.

UNIT VI. Microbial viruses: Diversity, classification, characteristics and applications of bacteriophages, and general account on algal, fungal and protozoan viruses.

Recommended Books: -

1. Principles of Virology: Molecular Biology, Pathogenesis and Control of Animal Viruses by S.J. Flint, L.W. Enquist, V.R. Racaniello, and A.M. Skalka 2nd edition, ASM Press, Washington, DC, 2004.
2. Introduction to Modern Virology EPZ by Nigel Dimmock, Andrew Easton and Keith Leppard, 5th edition, Blackwell Publishing, 2005.
3. Basic Virology by Edward K. Wanger, Martinez Hewiett, David Bloom and David Camerini, 3rd edition, Blackwell Publishing, 2007.
4. Principles of Molecular Virology by Alan J. Cann, 3rd edition, Elsevier Academic Press, 2001.
5. Plant Virology by Roger Hull, 4th edition, Academic press, 2002.

PAPER V: Practical based on Paper I and Paper II

PAPERVI: Practical based on Paper III and Paper IV

M.Sc. Microbiology Semester II
Paper VII: Cell Biology and Analytical techniques

UNIT I. Organellar Biology: structure, function and biogenesis of chloroplast and mitochondria, mesosomes, lysosomes and cytoskeletal system. Photosynthesis in bacteria and plants, oxygenic and anoxygenic photosynthesis, PSI and PSII, electron transport, CO₂ fixation, purple green and halo bacteria photosynthesis. Physicochemical properties of bacteria- intracellular osmotic pressure, permeability of bacterial cell, nutrient transport- simple diffusion, active, passive and facilitated diffusion.

UNIT II. Signal transduction in eukaryotes: Protein kinases, phosphorylation cascades, Ras pathway, MAP kinase pathway, cyclic nucleotides, G proteins.

UNIT III. Microscopy- Basic principles and application of light, phase contrast microscopy, fluorescent and electron microscope- scanning and transmission. Microtome and sample preparations- fixing of specimens, preparation of block, staining of biological samples. Principles of cytometry and flow cytometry.

UNIT V. Analytical Techniques: Principles of centrifugation, techniques, preparative and analytical methods, density gradient centrifugation. General principle and application of chromatography-paper, column, thin layer, Gas, Ion Exchange, affinity chromatography, HPLC and Gel filtration. Electrophoresis- moving boundary, zone electrophoresis, immunoelectrophoresis, immunoblotting, isoelectric focussing, 2-D electrophoresis.

UNIT VI. Principles, laws of absorption and radiation. Visible, ultraviolet, infrared and mass spectrophotometry. Absorption spectra, flame photometry, NMR, ESR, principles of colorimetry, turbidometry, viscometry. Determination of size, shape and molecular weight of macromolecule- light scattering, diffusion, sedimentation, optical rotatory dispersion and X ray diffraction.

UNIT VII. Radio isotopic tracers- methodology, radiometric analysis, stable and radioactive isotopes, preparation, labelling, detection and measurement of isotopes. RIA, Kinetics of radioactive disintegration, manometric techniques, freeze drying and its application in biological systems.

Recommended Books: -

1. Alberts, B., Johnson, A., Lewis, J., Raff, M., Roberts, K. and Walter, P. Molecular biology of the cell. Garland Science, New York.
2. Lodish, H., Berk, A., Kaiser, C.A., Krieger, M., Scott, M.P., Bretscher, A., Ploegh, H. and Matsudaira, P. Molecular cell biology. W.H. Freeman and Company, New York.
3. Cooper, G.M. and Hausman, R.E. Cell: Molecular approach. ASM Press, Washington, D.C.
4. de Robertis, E. D. P. and de Robertis, E.M.F. Cellular and molecular biology. Saunders, Philadelphia.

M.Sc. Microbiology Semester II

Paper VIII: Bio-Molecules and Enzymes

UNIT I. Major Biomolecules: Carbohydrates – Classification, chemistry, properties, and function –. Conjugated polysaccharides– lycoproteins, muriens and lipopolysaccharides.

UNIT II. Lipids – classification, chemistry, properties and function –Conjugated lipids – lipoproteins. Major steroids of biological importance – prostaglandins.

UNIT III. Amino acids and proteins: classification, structure and function. Peptide structure. Ramachandran's plot.. Structural levels of proteins – primary, secondary, tertiary and quaternary, denaturation of proteins. Hydrolysis of proteins, Protein sequencing using various methods.

UNIT IV. Nucleic acids –Structure, function and their properties. Structural polymorphism of DNA, RNA. Structural characteristics of RNA. Sources,.

UNIT V. Enzymology- Introduction, General characteristics of enzymes, Activation energy, Coupled reactions, active site and its importance, Factors influencing catalytic efficiency. Enzyme kinetics, Rapid Equilibrium, Henry-Nucgaekkus-Menten's equations, Steady State approach, significance of K_m , Haldane equation, Velocity vital Substrate concentration curves. Methods of plotting enzyme kinetics data-Lineweaver-Burk. Equilibrium dialysis, Effect of pH and temperature on enzyme stability and activity, Arrhenius equation.

UNIT VI. Regulation of enzyme activity: Feedback inhibition, reversible covalent modification, irreversible covalent modification, allosteric concept, Aspartate transcarbamylase, ligand-protein interaction, scatchard plot, Hill plot, cooperativity index, Models for allostery (MWC, KNF), Half site reactivity. Enzyme Inhibition, Models and types of inhibition.

UNIT VII. Applied enzymology: Application of enzymes in analytical labs. (clinical and industrial), enzymes as industrial catalysts, Immobilized enzymes, enzyme electrodes, assay of enzyme activities for diagnostic purposes, abzymes, recent developments.

Recommended Books: -

1. Atkins, P. and Paula, J.D. Atkins' physical chemistry. Oxford University Press, Oxford.
2. Segel, I.H. Biochemical calculations. John Wiley and Sons, New York.
3. Nelson D.L. and Cox, M.M. Lehninger principles of biochemistry. W.H. Freeman and Company, New York.
4. Berg, J.M., Tymoczko, J.L. and Stryer, L. Biochemistry. W.H. Freeman and Company, New York.
5. Garrett, R.H. and Grisham, C.M. Biochemistry. Cole Publishing Company, California.

M.Sc. Microbiology Semester II

PAPER IX: ENVIRONMENTAL MICROBIOLOGY

Unit 1 Brief history and development of environmental microbiology: History and development of microbial ecology highlighting significant contributions of microbiologists and emergence of environmental microbiology, and significant applications of microbes in solving environmental pollution problems.

Unit – 2 Environment and Ecosystems

Definitions, biotic and abiotic environment. Environmental segments. Composition and structure of environment. Concept of biosphere, communities and ecosystems. Ecosystem characteristics, structure and function. Food chains, food webs and trophic structures. Ecological pyramids.

Unit – 3 Eutrophication

Water pollution and its control,, Eutrophication, causes of eutrophication, effects of eutrophication on the quality of water environment, factors influencing eutrophication. Qualitative characteristics and properties of eutrophic lakes. Algae in eutrophication, algal blooms, their effects and toxicity, coloured waters, red tides, and cultural eutrophication. Physico-chemical and biological measures to control eutrophication

Unit –4 Effluent treatment techniques

Microbiology of wastewater and solid waste treatment: - Waste-types-solid and liquid waste Characterization, physical, chemical, biological, aerobic, anaerobic, primary, secondary and Tertiary treatments. Anaerobic processes: Anaerobic digestion, anaerobic filters, and up flow anaerobic sludge. Treatment schemes for effluents of dairy, distillery, tannery, sugar and antibiotic industries. Bioconversion of Solid Waste and utilization as fertilizer. Bioaccumulation of heavy metal ions from industrial effluents.

Unit 5 Biodegradation

Factors affecting biodegradation, effects of pesticides, biodegradation of pesticides, mechanism of biodegradation, microorganisms involved, biodegradation of other toxic chemicals. Bioplastics.

Unit – 6 Bioremediation of Xenobiotics

Microbiology of degradation of xenobiotics in the environment, ecological considerations, decaybehaviour, bioaccumulation and bio magnification, oil pollution, surfactants and pesticides. Genetically Modified Organisms released and its environmental impact assessment and ethical issues. Bioremediation of **Petroleum** hydrocarbons.

Unit – 7 Global environmental problems

Ozone depletion, UV-B, global warming and its impact, ozone layer-formation and depletion, greenhouse effect and acid rain, their impact and biotechnological approaches for management.

Recommended Books: -

1. Microbial Ecology By Atlas R.M., Bartha R., Benjamin Cummings Publishing Co, Redwood City, CA., 1993.
2. Environmental Microbiology by A.H. Varnam & M.G. Evans, Manson Publishing Ltd., 2000.
3. Manual of Environmental Microbiology by Christon J. Hurst, Ronald L. Crawford, Jay L. Garland, David A. Lipson, Aaron L. Mills, ASM Press, 2007.
4. Environmental Microbiology by W.D. Grant & P.E. Long, Kluwer Academic Publishers, 1981.
5. Environmental Microbiology by R. Mitchel (2nd edition), Wiley-Blackwell, 2009.
6. Microbiology: An environmental Perspective by P. Edmonds, Macmillan, New York, 1978.
7. Environmental Microbiology by Raina Maier, Ian Pepper, & Charles Gerba, Academic Press, 2008.
8. Environmental Microbiology: Principles And Applications by Patrick K. Jjemba, Science Publishing Inc., 2004.

M.Sc. Microbiology Semester II

Paper X: MICROBIAL GENETICS

UNIT I. Genetic analysis of bacteria: Importance and uses of mutation analysis. Inheritance in bacteria, types of mutations, spontaneous and induced mutagenesis, isolating mutants, selecting mutants, mutant enrichment. Reversions versus suppression. Complementation tests, recombination tests and gene replacements. Cloning genes by complementation. Cloning genes by marker rescue.

UNIT II. Gene transfer and mapping by conjugation: Basis of fertility in bacteria. Self-transmissible and mobilizable plasmids. Molecular mechanism of gene transfer by conjugation – genes and proteins involved. Regulation of gene transfer by conjugation. Hfr strains. Mapping bacterial genomes using Hfr strains. Chromosomal DNA transfer by plasmids – by integrated plasmids, by chromosome mobilization and by creation of prime factors. Ti plasmid transfer system and its application in creating transgenics.

UNIT III. Lytic bacteriophages: Lytic development cycle using phages T4 and T7 as models. Regulation of expression of genes in phage T4 – transcriptional activators, anti termination, a new sigma factor and replication-coupled transcription. Regulation of gene expression in phage T7 – a phage-encoded RNA polymerase. Replication of T4 versus T7 phages – recent advances. Replication and packaging of filamentous phages M13 and f1 – recent advances. Genetic analysis of phages – complementation and recombination tests with phages.

UNIT IV. Lysogenic phages: Lambda phage – gene and promoter organization. Lambda lytic cycle – regulation of gene expression – very early, early and late genes. Establishment and maintenance of lysogeny. Regulation of gene expression in lysogenic phase - role of cI, cII and cIII proteins. Lambda immunity region and immunity to super infection. Events leading to induction – role of cI and cro repressors in regulating the events. Other lysogenic phages – P2 and P4.

UNIT V. Gene transfer by transformation and transduction: Natural transformation and competence. Molecular basis of natural transformation – DNA uptake competence systems in gram positive and gram negative bacteria. Regulation of competence in *B.subtilis*. Importance of natural transformation. Artificially induced competence. Generalized versus specialized transduction - T4 and lambda phage. Mapping bacterial genes by transduction.

UNIT VI. Transposons: Discovery of transposition. Classes of bacterial transposons. Regulation of transposition activity. Effects of transposition in bacteria. Genetic requirements for transposition. Molecular mechanisms of transposition – genetic evidence supporting the mechanisms. Conjugative transposons. Transposon mutagenesis. Cloning out genes by transposon mutagenesis. Mutransposon, Mud transposons and gene fusions, mini-Mu elements and their use in *in vivo* cloning. Yeast Ty-1 transposon

UNIT VII. Gene regulation: Control of gene expression. Positive gene regulation, negative gene regulation and attenuation, using the *lac*, *gal*, *trp*

Recommended Books: -

1. Molecular Genetics of Bacteria by Larry Snyder and Wendy Champness, 3rd edition; ASM press; 2007.
2. Fundamental Bacterial Genetics by Nancy Trun and Janine Trempy, 1st edition; Blackwell Science Publishers; 2004.
3. Modern Microbial Genetics by U.N. Streips and R.E. Yasbin, 2nd edition; Wiley Publishers; 2002.
4. Microbial Genetics by Stanly R. Maloy, John E. Cronan, Jr. & David Freifelder, 2nd edition; Narosa Publishing House; 1987.

PAPER XI: Practical based on Paper VII and Paper VIII

PAPER XII: Practical based on Paper IX and Paper X

M.Sc. Microbiology Semester III
Paper XIII: MOLECULAR BIOLOGY

UNIT I. The nature of Genetic material: The structure of DNA and RNA; Melting of DNA, Superhelicity, Organization of Microbial Genomes, Organization of Eukaryotic Genomes, Chromatin arrangement, nucleosome formation.

UNIT II. DNA replication: Arrangement of replicons in a genome, Various modes of replication, specific features of replication in Prokaryotes and Eukaryotes, action of topoisomerases, Telomere maintenance and Chromatin Assembly, Single stranded DNA replication. DNA repair and recombination, DNA Mismatch Repair, Double Strand Break Repair, Recombination as a molecular biology tool.

UNIT II. Transcription: Transcription machinery of prokaryotes, eukaryotes, various forms of RNA polymerase promoters, enhancers, silencers, activators, effect of chromatin structure, regulation of transcription.

UNIT III. Post-transcriptional processes: RNA processing, splicing, capping and polyadenylation, rRNA and tRNA processing, RNA Editing; RNAi and miRNAs, Antisense RNA, Post-transcriptional gene regulation.

UNIT IV. Translation: The genetic code and protein structure, Mechanisms of translation in prokaryotes, Mechanisms of translation in eukaryotes, *in vitro* translation systems, polycistronic/ monocistronic synthesis, Regulation of translation, RNA instability, inhibitors of translation, stringent response in bacteria. Post-translational processes: Protein modification, folding, chaperones, transportation; The Signal Hypothesis, protein degradation.

UNIT V. Molecular basis of cell physiology: Signals and cascades in organism development Molecular mechanisms of Oncogenesis and cancer, genetic disorders, aging, mitochondrial inheritance. Implications of genome organization, Genes and behavior, Genomeanalysis, DNA typing, Genomics and beyond.

Recommended Books: -

1. Gene IX by Benjamin Lewin, Jones and Bartlett Publishers, Sudbury, Massachusetts, 2007.
2. Molecular Biology by R.F. Weaver , 4th edition, McGraw Hill. New York. USA, 2007.
3. Molecular Biology of the Gene by J.D. Watson, T.A. Baker, S.P. Bell, A. Gann, M. Levin, R. Losick, 6th edition, Benjamin Cummings, San Francisco, USA, 2007.
4. Molecular Biology of the Cell by B. Alberts, A. Johnson, J. Lewis, M. Raff, K. Roberts, P. Walter, 5th edition, Garland Science, New York and London, 2007.
5. Biochemistry (5th edition) by J.M. Berg, J.L. Tymoczko, L. Stryer, W.H. Freeman and Company, New York, USA, 2008.
6. Current Protocols in Molecular Biology Edited by: Fred M. Ausubel; Roger Brent; Robert E. Kingston; David D. Moore; John A. Smith; Kevin Struhl, John Wiley and Sons, Inc. 2007.

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Paper XIV: RECOMBINANT DNA TECHNOLOGY

UNIT I. Basics of DNA cloning: Simple cloning and cloning using linkers and adaptors. Cloning vectors – plasmids, phages lambda and M13, phagemids, cosmids, P1 phage, PACs, BACs and YACs. Selection and screening of clones.

UNIT II. Methods of DNA and protein analysis: Isolation and purification of DNA. Agarose, polyacrylamide and pulsed field gel electrophoresis of DNA. Southern and Northern Blotting. Radiolabelling probes. RFLP analysis. DNA fingerprinting and its application. Native PAGE, SDS-PAGE and two-dimensional PAGE analysis of proteins. Western Blotting analysis.

UNIT III Polymerase Chain Reaction: Concept of PCR and various thermophilic enzymes used in PCR. Gradient PCR versus Touchdown PCR. Designing primers. Long PCR, Inverse PCR, RT-PCR, 5' and 3' RACE, qPCR, Real Time PCR using SYBR Green, Scorpion primers and TaqMan probes, MOPAC, Multiplex PCR, Differential Display PCR, RAPD fingerprinting of micro-organisms.

UNIT IV. Construction of cDNA and genomic DNA libraries: Vectors used in the construction of cDNA versus genomic DNA libraries. Screening libraries by colony hybridization and colony PCR. Enriching for clones in Cdna libraries by positive selection and subtractive hybridization.

UNIT V. Genome sequencing: DNA sequencing by Sanger's method – traditional and cycle sequencing. Physical mapping by restriction fragment fingerprinting of BAC clones. Whole genome shotgun sequencing. Clone-by-clone shotgun sequencing of genome – preparation of BAC/YAC library, map construction, random shotgun phase, finishing phase and sequence authentication. Genome annotation at the nucleotide level, protein level and process level. Comparative genome sequencing of micro-organisms to identify and categorize SNPs. Array CGH.

UNIT VI. Transcriptional analysis of gene expression and transcriptomics: Gene expression analysis by Northern Blotting, RT-PCR, EST analysis and the use of reporter genes. Transcriptome analysis by DD-PCR and EST analysis, DNA microarrays (cDNA arrays and oligo arrays), Serial Analysis of Gene Expression (SAGE).

UNIT VII. Overexpression of recombinant proteins: Overexpression and tagging of recombinant proteins in *E.coli*, driven by lac, T7 and Tet-regulatable promoters, Expression in *B. subtilis*. Overexpression systems in *S.cerevisiae*, *S.pombe*. Baculovirus overexpression system. Mammalian cell overexpression system.

UNIT VIII. Analysis of protein-DNA and protein-protein interactions: Gel retardation assay, DNA footprinting by DNase I and chemical methods, yeast one-hybrid assay, ChIP-chips. Yeast two hybrids, three-hybrids, split hybrids and reverse hybrids. Co-immunoprecipitations, pull-downs and Far-Westerns. GFP and FRET. Phage display.

UNIT VIII. Pharmaceutical products of DNA technology: Human protein replacements – insulin, hGH and Factor VIII. Human therapies – TPA, interferon, antisense molecules.

Recommended Books: -

1. Brown, T.A. Gene cloning and DNA analysis: An introduction. Wiley-Blackwell, New Jersey.
2. Primrose, S.B. and Twyman, R. Principles of gene manipulation and genomics. WileyBlackwell, New Jersey.

3. Nicholl, D.S.T. An introduction to genetic engineering. Cambridge University Press, Cambridge.
4. Glick, B.R., Pasternak, J.J. and Patten, C.L. Molecular biotechnology: Principles and applications of recombinant DNA. ASM Press, Washington, D.C.
5. Hartwell, L. Genetics: From genes to genome. McGraw-Hill, New York.
6. Old, R.W. and Primrose, S.B. Principles of gene manipulations. Blackwell Science, Oxford.
7. Winnacker, E.L. From genes to clones: Introduction to gene technology. Wiley-VCH, Germany.
8. Kingsman, S.M. and Kingsman, A.J. Genetic engineering: An introduction to gene analysis and exploitation in eukaryotes. Blackwell Science, Oxford.
9. Greene, J.J. and Rao, V.B. Recombinant DNA principles and methodologies. Marcel Dekker, New York.

M.Sc. Microbiology Semester III
Paper XV: MEDICAL MICROBIOLOGY

UNIT I. General topics on medical microbiology: History and development, Koch's postulates, classification of medically important bacteria. Infection: source, modes of transmission, portal of entry into susceptible host and prevention. Bacterial pathogenicity, identification of bacteria: staining methods, culture method, biochemical tests and other recent methods. Sterilization and disinfection. Normal microbial flora, antimicrobial agents, drug resistance and drug sensitivity test.

UNIT II. Systematic Microbiology: Diseases caused by Gram positive cocci- sore throat, pneumonia etc., Diseases caused by Gram negative cocci- meningitis, gonorrhoea etc. Diseases caused by Gram positive bacilli- Tuberculosis, Diphtheria, Tetanus, Gas gangrene etc, Diseases caused by Gram negative bacilli of Enterobacteriaceae- Enteric fever, Bacillary dysentery, UTI
Diseases caused by Gram negative bacilli- Cholera, plague, Whooping cough, Wound infection, Septicaemia. Sexually transmitted diseases. Disease caused by mycoplasma, Chlamydia, Rickettsia.

UNIT III. Overview of medical Mycology: Important fungal diseases- Superficial, Subcutaneous, Systemic and opportunistic Mycosis. Overview of Medical Parasitology, Important Protozoan Diseases- Ascaris, Ankylostomiasis, Filariasis, Taeniasis, Echinococcosis etc. Overview of Medical Virology, Important Viral Diseases- Herpesvirus, Poliovirus, Rabies Virus, Arboviruses, Hepatitis, HIV etc. Opportunistic Microbial Infection, Water, Milk and Food borne Diseases, Microbial Vaccine.

UNIT IV. Quality Control: Introduction, Total Quality Management, Framework, Laboratory Processes, Assurance and Assessment, Quality control Planning and Improvement.

UNIT V. Haematology: Basic Haematological Disorders- Classification of Anemia, Iron Deficiency anemia, Megaloblastic Anemia, Haemolytic Anemia, Basic Haematological Techniques- Collection of Blood Specimens, Haemolysis of Blood, Separation of Serum and Plasma, Maintenance and Transport of Specimen, Coagulation and Bleeding Disorders (in brief).

Recommended Books: -

1. Murray, P.R., Tenenbaum, K.S., Tenenbaum, G.S. and Tenenbaum, M.A. Medical microbiology. Saunders, Philadelphia.
2. Baron, E.J., Tenenbaum, L.R. and Tenenbaum, S.M. Bailey and Scott's diagnostic microbiology. Mosby, St. Louis.
3. Dack, R.M., Tenenbaum, M., Tenenbaum, I.M. and Tenenbaum, P.L. Medical microbiology. Elsevier, London.
4. Collee, J.C., Duguid, J.P., Fraser, A.C. and MacIntyre, B.P. Mackie and McCartney practical medical microbiology. Churchill Livingstone, London.
5. Ananthanarayanan, R. and Panicker, C.K.J. Text book of microbiology. Orient Longman, Hyderabad.
6. Koneman, E.W. Koneman's color atlas and textbook of diagnostic microbiology. Lippincott Williams and Wilkins, Philadelphia.

M.Sc. Microbiology Semester III
Paper XVI: Agricultural Microbiology

UNIT I. Soil Microorganism in agro ecosystem: Types of microbial communities: soil microbial diversity: significance and conservation; effect of agricultural practices on soil organism.

UNIT II. Biological Nitrogen fixation: The range of nitrogen fixing organisms; mechanism of nitrogen fixation (biochemistry of nitrogenase); genetics of nitrogen fixation. Rhizobium Legume Association; Symplasmids, N₂ fixation by non leguminous plants.

UNIT III. Chemical transformation of microbes: Organic matter decomposition, nutrient mineralization and immobilization; transformation of carbon and carbon compounds.

UNIT IV. Biodegradation of herbicides and pesticides

UNIT V. Biofertilizers: Mass cultivation of microbial inoculants; green manuring; algalization; *Azolla*.

UNIT VI. Microbial products and plant health: Plant growth promoting rhizobacteria (PGPR); significance of mycorrhizae, Microbial herbicides, biological control.

Recommended Books: -

1. Subba Rao, N.S. Soil microorganisms and plant growth. Oxford and IBH Publishing Company, New Delhi.
2. Alexander, M. Introduction to soil microbiology. John Wiley and Sons, New York.
3. Kononova, M.M. Soil organic matter: Nature, its role in soil formation and in soil fertility. Pergamon, Oxford.
4. Burges, A. and Raw, F. Soil biology. Academic Press, London.
5. Rangasami G. and Bagyarai, D.J. Agricultural microbiology. Prentice-Hall, New Delhi.
6. Agrios, G.N. Plant pathology. Academic Press, San Diego.
7. Mathews, R.E. Functionals of plant virology. Academic Press, San Diego.

PAPER XVII: Practical based on Paper XIII and Paper XIV PAPER XVIII:

Practical based on Paper XV and Paper XVI

M.Sc. Microbiology Semester IV

PAPER XIX: INDUSTRIAL MICROBIOLOGY AND BIOPROCESS ENGINEERING

UNIT I. Introduction to industrial microbiology: Sources of industrially important microbes, strain development, types of fermentation and fermenters, process optimization, and recent developments in fermentation technology.

UNIT II. Downstream processing of microbial products: Filtration, centrifugation, cell disruption, liquid-liquid extraction, chromatography, membrane processes, drying (lyophilisation and spray drying), and crystallization.

UNIT III. Fermentation economics: Basic objective for successful economically viable fermentation process, cost breakdown for well-established fermentation processes, market potential of the products, cost aspects of various stages in the processes development including effluent treatment.

UNIT IV. Production aspects: Microbial strains, substrates, strain improvement, flow diagrams, product optimization, and applications of industrial alcohol (ethanol and butanol), amino acids (lysine, phenylalanine, tryptophan), antibiotics (cephalosporins, tetracyclines, polyenes), enzymes and immobilized enzymes, SCP, microbial polyesters, biosurfactants, and recombinant products (insulin, somatostatin, thaumatin).

UNIT V. Bioprocessing Technology and Bioengineering: An introduction to fermentation processes- range of fermentation process, microbial biomass. Microbial growth kinetics- batch Culture, continuous culture, industrial application of continuous culture processes, fed-batch culture. The isolation, preservation and improvement of industrially important and useful microorganism.

UNIT VI. Industrial fermentation-typical media, media formulation, water, energy and carbon sources, nitrogen sources, minerals. Vitamin sources, nutrient recycle, buffers, precursors and metabolic regulators, oxygen requirements. Media sterilization, sterilization of fermenter, sterilisation of the feed. Inocula for industrial fermentation-development of inocula for yeast, bacteria, fungi and actinomycetes, the inoculation of fermenters. Design of fermenter, basic functions, construction, aeration and agitation, oxygen requirements of industrial fermentation.

Recommended Books: -

1. Hershnergev, C.L., Queener, S.W. and Hedemen, Q. Genetics and biotechnology of industrial microorganisms. ASM Press, Washington, D.C.
2. Crueger, W. and Crueger, A. Biotechnology: A textbook of industrial microbiology. Sinauer Associates, Sunderland.
3. Reed, G. Prescott and Dunn's industrial microbiology. Globe Bookservices, London.
4. Demain, A.L and Davies, J.E. Manual of industrial microbiology and biotechnology. ASM Press, Washington, D.C.
5. Crueger, W. and Crueger, A. Biotechnology: A textbook of industrial microbiology. Sinaeur Associates, Sunderland.
6. Stanbury, A.H., Whittaker, A. and Hall, S.J. Principles of fermentation technology. Pergamon Press, Oxford.

M.Sc. Microbiology Semester III

PAPER XX: BIOINFORMATICS

UNIT I. Introduction to computers and bioinformatics- Types of operating systems, concepts of networking and remoteloin, basic fundamentals of working with unix.

UNIT II. Biological databases- Overview, modes of database search, mode of data storage (Flat file format, db-tables), flatfileformats of GenBank, EMBL, DDBJ, PDB.

UNIT III. Sequence alignment –Concept of local and global sequence alignment, Pair wise sequence alignment, scoring analignment, substitution matrices, multiple sequence alignment. **UNIT IV. Phylogenetic analysis-** Basic concepts of phylogenetic analysis, rooted/uprooted trees, approaches for phylogenetic tree construction (UPGMA, Neighbour joining, Maximum parsimony, Maximum likelihood).

UNIT VI. Generation and analysis of high throughput sequence data- Assembly pipeline for clustering of HTGS data, format of “.ace” file, quality assessment of genomic assemblies, International norms for sequence data quality, Clustering of EST sequences, concept of Unigene. Annotation procedures for high through-put sequence data- Identification of various genomic elements (protein coding genes, repeat elements, strategies for annotation of whole genome, functional annotation of EST clusters, gene ontology (GO) consortium.

UNIT VII. Structure predictions for nucleic acids and proteins - Approaches for the prediction of RNA secondary and tertiary predictions, energy minimization and base covariance models, Basic approaches for protein structure predictions, comparative modeling, fold recognition/“threading” and *ab-initio* prediction.

Recommended Books: -

1. Bioinformatics: A Practical Guide to the Analysis of Genes and Proteins by Baxevanis A.D. and Ouellette, Third Edition. John Wiley and Son Inc., 2005.
2. Bioinformatics Sequence and Genome Analysis by Mount D.W., CSHL Press, 2004.
3. Introduction to Bioinformatics by Tramontano A., Chapman & Hall/CRC, 2007.
4. Understanding Bioinformatics by Zvelebil, M. and Baum, Chapman & Hall/CRC, 2008.

M.Sc. Microbiology Semester III
PAPER XXI: IMMUNOLOGY

UNIT I. Immune System: Three fundamental concepts : Specificity, discrimination of self from non-self and memory. Lymphocytes, their sub population, properties and functions, lymphocyte trafficking.

UNIT II. Antigens and Immunoglobulins

Concept of haptens, determinants, conditions of antigenicity, antigens and immunogenicity, superantigen. Immunoglobulins: Structure and properties of immunoglobulin classes. Theories of antibody formation, hybridoma technology for monoclonal antibodies and designer monoclonal antibodies. Multiple myelomas and structural basis of antibody diversity. Freund's adjuvants and its Significance.

UNIT III. Genetic organization: Organization of the genes for B and T cell receptors. Genetic organization of MHC-I and MHC-II complex (both HLA and H-2). Peptide loading and expression of MHC-I and MHC-II molecules.

UNIT IV. Immune response and signaling: Humoral and cell-mediated immune response; Innate immune response and pattern recognition; Recent advances in innate immune response especially NK-DC interactions; Major cytokines and their role in immune mechanisms: TNF, IFN, IL-1, IL-2, IL-4, IL-6, IL-10, IL-12, IL-17, TGF β ; Cell signalling through MAP kinases and NF- κ B.

UNIT V. Immunity and Immunoassays: Defense against bacteria, viruses, fungi and parasites. Immunodiagnosics and immunotherapy in virology – Serological methods for detection and quantitation of viruses including Hepatitis, Influenza, HIV and others. Immunoassays: ELISA, ELISA-PCR, RIA, Western Blotting, Immunofluorescence and their application. Tolerance and autoimmunity: Central and peripheral tolerance, and their mechanism; Mechanisms of autoimmunity; Autoimmune components of diabetes mellitus (DM), multiple sclerosis (MS), experimental autoimmune encephalitis (EAE); Infections leading to autoimmune diseases.

UNIT VI. Immunological disorders and hypersensitivity: Deficiencies / defects of T cells, B cells, complement and phagocytic cells; immunodeficiency with special reference to AIDS, Comparative study of Type I-V hypersensitivities with examples. Mechanism and molecular events in mast cell degranulation by IgE, pharmacological mediators of type-I reactions.

UNIT VII. Transplantation and tumor immunology: Alloreactive response; types of grafts, Graft rejection and GVHD; HLA-matching; mechanism and prevention of graft rejection. Transgenic animals for xenotransplantation; Tumor antigens, immune response to tumors and immunotherapy of tumors.

UNIT VIII. Vaccine: Vaccines – Introduction and History, Effectiveness and Adverse effect of Vaccines, Types of Vaccines, Production of Vaccines, Delivery system of Vaccines, Hepatitis B, AIDS, and DNA vaccines, DIVA Vaccines, Recent Advances in Vaccines, Vaccines for Cancer.

Recommended Books: -

1. Kindt, T.J., Goldsby, R.A., Osborne, B.A. and Kuby, J. Kuby immunology. W.H. Freeman and Company, New York.
2. Male, D.K. Immunology: An illustrated outline. Elsevier Health Sciences, Philadelphia.
3. Abbas, A.K., Lichtman, A.H.H. and Pillai, S. Cellular and molecular immunology. Saunders, Philadelphia.
4. Delves, P.J., Martin, S.J., Burton, D.R. and Roitt, I.M. Roitt's essential immunology. Wiley-Blackwell, New Jersey.
5. Tizard, I.R. Immunology: An introduction. Saunders, Philadelphia.
6. Playfair, J.H.L. Immunology at a glance. Blackwell Scientific Publications, Oxford.
7. Abbas, A.K. and Lichtman, A.H.H. Basic immunology: Functions and disorders of the immune system. Saunders, Philadelphia.
8. Chapel, H., Haeney, M., Misbah, S. and Snowden, N. Essentials of clinical immunology. Wiley, New Jersey.

M.Sc. Microbiology Semester III
PAPER XXII: FOOD AND DAIRY MICROBIOLOGY

UNIT I. Microbiology of foods: Vegetables, fruits, milk, fermented and non-fermented milk products, fresh meats, poultry and non-dairy fermented foods.

UNIT II. Industrial Food fermentations: Starter cultures their biochemical activities, production and preservation of the following fermented foods.

- a. Soy sauce fermentation by Moulds
- b. Fermented vegetables – Sauerkraut
- c. Fermented Meat – Sausages
- d. Production and application of Baker's Yeast
- e. Application of microbial enzymes in food industry

UNIT III. Quality assurances in foods: Foodborne infections and intoxications; bacterial with examples of infective and toxic types – Clostridium, Salmonella, Shigella, Staphylococcus, Campylobacter, Listeria. Mycotoxins in food with reference to Aspergillus species.

UNIT IV. Quality assurance: Microbiological quality standards of food. Government regulatory practices and policies. FDA, EPA, HACCP, ISI.

UNIT V. Food preservation methods: Radiations - UV, Gamma and microwave Temperature Chemical and naturally occurring antimicrobials Biosensors in food industry.

UNIT VI. Microbiology of cheese and beverage fermentation: Microbiology of fermented milk products (acidophilus milk, yoghurt). Role of microorganisms in beverages – tea and coffee fermentations. Vinegar Fermentation.

UNIT VII. Advanced Food Microbiology: Genetically modified foods. Biosensors in food, Applications of microbial enzymes in dairy industry [Protease, Lipases]. Utilization and disposal of dairy by-product - whey.

Recommended Books: -

1. Adams, M.R., and Moss, M.O. Food microbiology. Royal Society of Chemistry Publication, Cambridge.
2. Frazier, W.C. and Westhoff, D.C. Food microbiology. Tata McGraw Hill, New Delhi.
3. Stanbuty, P.F. and Hall, S.J. Principles of fermentation technology. Pergamon Press, Oxford.
4. Banwart, G.J. Basic food microbiology. CBS Publishers and Distributors, New Delhi.
5. Robinson, R.K. Dairy microbiology. Elsevier Applied Sciences, London.
6. James M.J. Modern food microbiology. CBS Publishers and Distributors, New Delhi.
7. Wood, B.J. Microbiology of fermented foods. Elsevier Applied Sciences, London.

PAPER XXIII: Practical based XX, Paper XXI and Paper XII

PAPER XXIV: DISSERTATION