



**MAHARSHI DAYANAND UNIVERSITY,
ROHTAK-124001, INDIA**

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SCHEME & SYLLABUS

**M.Sc. Genetics
(2 Year Program)**

**Choice Based Credit System (CBCS)
(w.e.f. Academic Session 2015-16)**

DEPARTMENT OF GENETICS

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DEPARTMENT OF GENETICS

Credit Matrix for M.Sc. Genetics Program w.e.f. 2015-16

SEMESTER	CORE PAPER	SOFT CORE ELECTIVE- (DISCIPLINE CENTERIC)	FOUNDATION COURSE	OPEN ELECTIVE (INTERDISCIPLINARY)	PROJECT WORK/DISSERTATION	TOTAL
I	24	6		-	-	30
II	24	6	2	2	-	34
III	24	6	-		-	30
IV	8	-	-		20	28
TOTAL	80	18	2	2	20	122

REQUIRED CREDITS FOR M.Sc GENETICS TWO YEAR COURSE: TOTAL=122

CORE PAPER=80

SOFT CORE=18

OPEN ELECTIVE=2

FOUDATION COURSE=2

DISSERTATION=20

INSTRUCTION FOR THE STUDENTS

Course Types:

- **Hard Core (C):-** There are Core Courses in every semester. These courses are to be compulsorily studied by a student as a core requirement to complete the requirement of a programme in a said discipline of study.
- **Soft Core Elective (E):-** Soft core is a course which can be chosen from a pool of papers. It will be supportive to the discipline of study & mandatory as per course curriculum.
- **Foundation Course (F):-** The Foundation Course is based upon the content that leads to Knowledge enhancement. It is mandatory as per course curriculum.
- **Interdisciplinary Course/Open Elective (OE):-** Open elective course may be from an unrelated discipline. It is Interdisciplinary/Open Elective & mandatory as per course curriculum.

SCHEME OF EXAMINATION

M.SC. GENETICS -CHOICE BASED CREDIT SYSTEM (W.E.F. ACADEMIC SESSION 2015-16)

SEMESTER –I						
Student will opt any one of the given three Soft core (Elective) papers and respective Lab Course-II.						
Paper No.	Nomenclature of Paper	Credits	Hrs.	Max. Marks	Internal Assessment	Total Marks
GENET-101C	Concepts of Genetics	4	4	80	20	100
GENET-102C	Microbial Genetics	4	4	80	20	100
GENET-103C	Human Genetics	4	4	80	20	100
GENET-104C	Molecular Cell Biology	4	4	80	20	100
GENET-105L	Lab course-I	8	16	-	-	200
Soft core(Elective Paper)						
GENET-106E	Somatic Cell Genetics	4	4	80	20	100
GENET-107E	Drosophila Genetics	4	4	80	20	100
GENET-108E	Plant Genetics	4	4	80	20	100
GENET-109L	Lab course-II(for respective elective paper)	2	4	-	-	50

Total Credits=30

Total Marks=750

SEMESTER –II

Student will opt any **one** of the given three **Soft core** (Elective) and respective Lab Course-IV. The students are required to take **one** paper of **Foundation course** of their choice from any other MSc course/Department of M.D. University campus Rohtak. The students are required to take **one** paper (**Interdisciplinary/Open Elective**) of their choice from any other Subject/Department of M.D. University campus Rohtak.

Paper No.	Nomenclature of Paper			Max. Marks	Internal Assessment	Total Marks
		Credits	Hrs.			
Core Paper						
GENET-201C	Recombinant DNA Technology	4	4	80	20	100
GENET-202C	Molecular Genetics	4	4	80	20	100
GENET-203C	Immunogenetics	4	4	80	20	100
GENET-204C	Conservation Biology	4	4	80	20	100
GENET-205L	Lab course-III	8	16	-	-	200
Soft core(Elective Paper)						
GENET-206E	Medical Genomics	4	4	80	20	100
GENET-207E	Bioinformatics and Biostatistics	4	4	80	20	100
GENET-208E	Microbial Technology	4	4	80	20	100
GENET-209L	Lab course-IV(for respective elective paper)	2	4	-	-	50
Foundation course						
GENET-210F	-	2	2	40	10	50
Interdisciplinary Open Elective Paper						
GENET-211OE		2	2	40	10	50

Total Credits=34

Total Marks=850

SEMESTER –III						
Student will opt any one of the given three soft core (Elective) papers and respective Lab Course-VI.						
Paper No.	Nomenclature of Paper			Max. Marks	Internal Assessment	Total Marks
		Credits	Hrs.			
Core Paper						
GENET-301C	Developmental Genetics	4	4	80	20	100
GENET-302C	Plant Molecular Genetics	4	4	80	20	100
GENET-303C	Population and Evolutionary Genetics	4	4	80	20	100
GENET-304C	Analytical Techniques in Genetics	4	4	80	20	100
GENET-305L	Lab course-V	8	16	-	-	200
Soft core(Elective Paper)						
GENET-306E	Human Molecular Genetics	4	4	80	20	100
GENET-307E	Genetics of Medicinal Plants	4	4	80	20	100
GENET-308E	RNAi and its Applications	4	4	80	20	100
GENET-309L	Lab course-VI(for respective elective paper)	2	4	-	-	50

Total Credits=30

Total Marks=750

SEMESTER –IV						
Paper No.	Nomenclature of Paper			Max. Marks	Internal Assessment	Total Marks
		Credits	Hrs.			
Core Paper						
GENET-401C	Social, Ethical Issues in Genetics	4	4	80	20	100
GENET-402C	Lab Design and Biosafety	4	4	80	20	100
Dissertation						
GENET-403D	Dissertation/Project Work	20	20	-	-	300

Total Credits=28

Total Marks=500

Grand Total Credits=122

Grand Total Marks=2850

SEMESTER-I

Paper Code: GENET-101C

CONCEPTS OF GENETICS

Credits: 4

Time: 3 Hours

(Core Paper)

Max. Marks: 80

Instructions for paper setter

There will be a total of nine questions. Question No. 1 will be compulsory and shall contain eight to ten short answer type questions without any internal choice and it shall cover the entire syllabus. The remaining eight questions will include two questions from each unit. Candidates will be required to attempt one question from each of the four units. They will attempt five questions in all.

Unit 1:

Brief introduction: Life cycles of Genetically important experimental organisms: *Neurospora crassa*, *Saccharomyces cerevisiae*: Baker's Yeast, *Arabidopsis thaliana*: A Fast-Growing Plant, *Drosophila melanogaster*: The fruit fly.

Mendelism: Mendel's experimental organism: the garden pea. Basic Principles of Inheritance: Monohybrid crosses (the principle of Segregation); Dihybrid crosses (the principle of independent Assortment); Applications of Mendel's Principles: The Punnett square method, Forked-line method, Probability method, Chi square test.

Extensions of Mendelism: Incomplete Dominance and Co-dominance, Multiple Alleles. Testing gene mutations for allelism, Complementation, Epistasis, Pleiotropy, Penetrance and Expressivity.

Unit 2:

Chromosome Theory of Inheritance: Experimental evidence linking the inheritance of genes to chromosomes, Molecular organization of prokaryotic and eukaryotic chromosomes, chromomere, kinetochores, centromeres, telomeres, heterochromatin/ euchromatin; Linkage, Recombination and crossing over: Early evidence for linkage and genetic recombination, crossing over as the physical basis of recombination, cytological demonstration of crossing over, genetic recombination and construction of genetic maps, interference and coincidence.

Unit 3: Polyploidy and Aneuploidy in nature, tissue-specific polyploidy and polyteny (polytene and lampbrush chromosomes), Qualitative traits and Quantitative Traits and their inheritance, Polygenic inheritance, continuous discontinuous variation, Genetic variance, heritability & QTL mapping; Extra-nuclear Inheritance in nature: Mitochondrial and Chloroplast genes, maternal inheritance, Transposable elements/jumping genes.

Unit 4:

Genetic Material: Prediction of DNA structure & chemistry, Alternative forms of DNA, negative and positive supercoiling; One DNA molecule per chromosome, DNA packaging, Nucleosome structure, DNA scaffolds & loops; Fine structure of gene, split genes, pseudogenes, overlapping genes & multigene families; c value paradox and central dogma; Mutation: definition, types, induction, detection, molecular basis and significance of mutations in nature, mutagenic agents (exogenous & endogenous).

Suggested Readings:

1. **Principles of Genetics** by D. Peter Snustad and Michael J Simmons
2. **Genetics: A Conceptual Approach** by Benjamin A. Pierce
3. **The Science of Genetics** by Alan G. Atherly, Jack R. Girton, John F. McDonald
4. http://highered.mcgraw-hill.com/sites/007352526x/student_view0/genetic_portrait_chapters_

SEMESTER-I

Paper Code: GENET-102C

MICROBIAL GENETICS

Credits: 4

Time: 3 Hours

(Core Paper)

Max. Marks: 80

Instructions for paper setter

There will be a total of nine questions. Question No. 1 will be compulsory and shall contain eight to ten short answer type questions without any internal choice and it shall cover the entire syllabus. The remaining eight questions will include two questions from each unit. Candidates will be required to attempt one question from each of the four units. They will attempt five questions in all.

Unit-I

Bacteria as model systems in genetic analysis: Mutation, recombination, test of allelism, gene mapping; Methods of gene transfer in bacteria; Conjugation: Discovery, nature of donor strains and compatibility, interrupted mating and temporal mapping, Hfr, F', map of F plasmid, mechanism of chromosome transfer, molecular pathway of recombination; Chromosome transfer in other bacteria.

Unit-II

Transformation: Natural transformation systems, Biology and mechanism of transformation, transformation and gene mapping, Chemical-mediated and electro transformation; Transduction: Discovery, generalized and specialized or restricted transduction, Phage P1 and P22-mediated transduction, mechanism of generalized transduction, abortive transduction. Temperate phage lambda and mechanism of specialized transduction, gene mapping, fine structure mapping.

Unit-III

Structure and classification of bacteriophage: Virulent phage (T_4) and Temperate phage (lambda); Lytic and lysogenic cycles, phage-host relationship; immunity and repression, Site specific recombination (lambda and P1); Techniques for the study of bacteriophages.

Unit-IV

Transposable phage (phage Mu): Genetic organization, and transposition, Mu as a genetic tool; Plasmids: Types, detection, replication, incompatibility, partitioning, copy-number control and transfer; Properties of some known plasmids. Genetic rearrangements and their evolutionary significance: Phase variation in *Salmonella*.

Suggested readings:

1. Microbial Genetics (1994) - Maloy S., Cronan J., Freifelder D, Jones and Bertlett
2. Fundamental Bacterial Genetics (2004) - Trun N and Trempey J, Blackwell Publ.
3. Modern Microbial Genetics (2002)-Streips U. N. and Yasbin R.E., Wiley-Liss
4. Molecular Genetics of Bacteria (2003) -Sneider L. and Champness W. ASM Publishers
5. Genetics of Bacteria -Scaife J., Academic Press
6. Genetics of Bacteria and Viruses (2006)- Birge E. A., Springer
7. Molecular Genetics of Bacteria -Dale J.W. and Park S, Wiley

SEMESTER-I

Paper Code: GENET-103C

HUMAN GENETICS

Credits: 4

Time: 3 Hours

(Core paper)

Max. Marks: 80

Instructions for paper setter

There will be a total of nine questions. Question No. 1 will be compulsory and shall contain eight to ten short answer type questions without any internal choice and it shall cover the entire syllabus. The remaining eight questions will include two questions from each unit. Candidates will be required to attempt one question from each of the four units. They will attempt five questions in all.

Unit-I

Overview of historical milestones in Human genetics, Fields of Human genetics, Study tools in Human Genetics: pedigree- gathering family history symbols, construction of pedigree, pedigree analysis in monogenetic traits; Autosomal dominant and recessive inheritance; Sex linked dominant and recessive inheritance; Consanguinity and its effects; Sex Chromosomes and autosomes, Different sex determination systems in nature; Sex linked anomalies: Haemophilia, Colour blindness; Sex limited and sex influenced traits; Sex determination in Man, TDF & SRY, Testicular feminization syndrome; Lyon hypothesis, Single active X hypothesis, Sex chromatin and drum sticks, Genetic mosaics.

Unit-II

Human Karyotypes: Harvesting of cells for chromosome analysis, conventional and specialized staining protocols, Banding, Nomenclature of banding, Nomenclature of aberrant karyotypes; Human genome mapping methods: Physical mapping, Introduction to physical map markers; Radiation hybrids; Fluorescence in situ hybridization; SKY, Comparative genome hybridization, long range restriction mapping; High resolution mapping- STS/RFLP/EST/MS/SNP/sequencing.

Unit-III

Human Health and Disease: Chromosomal numerical and structural alteration: Mechanisms of Deletion, Duplication, Translocation, Aneuploidy and Nullisomy; Common syndrome according to numerical and structural alteration; Genetics and clinical features of Syndromes (Klinefelter, Down ϕ , Turner, Achondroplasia, Edwards, Polydactyly); Single gene and diseases: Beadle and tatum experiment; Inherited enzyme defects in man (PKU, Alkaptonuria, Albinism, Galactosemia); Haemoglobinopathies: ABO blood group system, Rh blood group, Thalassaemia syndromes; Multifactorial disorders: Genetics factors in Diabetes, Schizophrenia, Huntington ϕ disease, Alzheimer ϕ disease.

Unit-IV

Cancer genetics: Cancer cells, Oncogenes, Tumor suppressor genes ; Leukaemias, Lymphomas, myelomas ; ; Human genome project: History and concepts, gateways, goals, role of sequencing, distribution of GC content, CPG islands, main conclusions, current activities; DNA finger printing ; Prenatal diagnosis; Human cloning and Eugenics; Ethical, legal and social issues in Human Genetics.

Suggested readings:

1. Human Genetics: Problems and Approaches (1997) - T Vogel F. and. Motulsky A. GT, Springer Verlag
2. Human Molecular Genetics (2003) 3rd ed. - Strachan T & Read A, Garland Science
3. An Introduction to Human Molecular Genetics (1999) - Mechanism of Inherited Diseases Pasternak J Fitzgerald, Science Press
4. Human Genetics (2009) - Cummings, M.R, Cehage Learning, USA.
5. Principles and branches of Medical Genetics, Emery and Rimoih, Churchill Livingstone, Newyork, Vol-1-3.
6. Human Cytogenetics-Constitutional analysis (1995) (Ed) D.E. Rooney, Oxford University Press.
7. Recombinant DNA (1992) - J.D. Watson Gillman, Scientific American books, W.H, freeman company N.Y.
8. Human Genetics (1993) - The molecular revolution McConkey, Edwin H, Jones & Bartlett publishers.

SEMESTER-I

Paper Code: GENET-104C

MOLECULAR CELL BIOLOGY

Credits: 4

Time: 3 Hours

(Core paper)

Max. Marks: 80

Instructions for paper setter

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Unit-I

Diversity of cell size and shape; Cell Theory; Structural organization and function of intracellular organelles: Cell wall, Nucleus, Mitochondria, Golgi bodies, lysosomes, Ribosome, Endoplasmic reticulum, Peroxisomes, plastids, Vacuoles, Chloroplast, Structure & function of cytoskeleton and its role in motility; Cell adhesion, gap junction, Extra cellular matrix. Endosymbiotic origin of mitochondria and chloroplast.

Unit-II

Cell division and cell cycle: Mitosis and meiosis, their regulation, steps in cell cycle, chromosomal movements and control of cell cycle; Membrane transport processes, transport molecules, inhibitors, ion gradient, proton pumps (in oxidative phosphorylation, in photosynthesis & in bacteria); Cell signaling: Hormones and their receptors, cell surface receptor, signaling through G-protein coupled receptors, signal transduction pathways, second messengers and regulation of signaling pathways.

Unit-III

Composition, structure and function of biomolecules (carbohydrates, lipids, proteins, nucleic acids(DNA ,RNA :detail structure & types) and vitamins); Conformation of proteins (Ramachandran plot, secondary, tertiary and quaternary structure; domains; motif and folds).

Unit-IV

Bioenergetics, glycolysis, coupled reaction, group transfer, biological energy transducers; Enzyme kinetics: Factors affecting enzyme activity- pH, temperature, time of incubation, enzyme concentration and substrate concentration. Derivation of Michaelis-Menten equation, K_{cat}/K_m and its significance, regulation of enzyme activity, allosteric enzymes.

Suggested Readings

1. Lodish et al., Molecular Cell Biology Freeman and Company 2000.
2. Smith and Wood. Cell Biology, Chapman and Halls 1996
3. Watson et al. Molecular Biology of the gene. Pearson Prentice Hall, USA 2003
4. Benjamin Lewin. Gene X, Jones and Barlett Publishers, 2010.
5. Lehninger Principles of Biochemistry 4th Ed By David L. Nelson and Michael M. Cox, WH Freeman and Company.
6. Principles of Biochemistry (Hardcover) By Geoffrey Zubay. Publisher: McGraw Hill College.
7. Biochemistry By Lubert Stryer. WH Freeman and Co.

SEMESTER-I

Paper Code: GENET- 105L

LAB COURSE-I

Credits: 8

Time: 6 Hours

Max. Marks: 200

SEMESTER-I

SOFT CORE

Student will opt any one of the given three soft core (Elective) papers and respective Lab Course-II.

Paper Code: GENET-106E

SOMATIC CELL GENETICS

Credits: 4

Time: 3 Hours

(Soft Core Elective Paper)

Max. Marks: 80

Instruction for paper setter

There will be a total of nine questions. Question No. 1 will be compulsory and shall contain eight to ten short answer type questions without any internal choice and it shall cover the entire syllabus. The remaining eight questions will include two questions from each unit. Candidates will be required to attempt one question from each of the four units. They will attempt five questions in all.

Unit-I

Structure and organization of animal cell; Equipments and materials for cell culture technology; Introduction to the balanced salt solution and simple growth medium, Role of carbon dioxide, Role of serum and supplements, Serum & protein free defined media and their application.

Unit- II

Primary culture, secondary culture, serum free culture and established cell line cultures; Measurement of viability and cytotoxicity; Biology and characterization of the cultured cells, measuring parameters of growth, Basic techniques of mammalian cell culture *in vitro*, disaggregation of tissue, maintenance of cell culture, cell separation, cell synchronization, Scaling-up of animal cell culture; Organ and histotypic cultures.

Unit-III

Biology and genetics of stem cells- definition & characteristics of stem cell; Sources and origin of stem cell, types of Stem cells, nature of pluripotent cells, division; Hematopoietic stem cells, Neural stem cells, Adult & embryonic stem cell, Cancer stem cell; Cell based therapy, Therapeutic cloning, Bone marrow transplantation versus Stem cell transplantation and GVHD; Epidermis & its renewal by stem cell.

Unit-IV

Somatic cell fusion and somatic cell genetics; Tissue and organ culture - advantages and limitations; medical/pharmaceutical products of animal cell culture; Monoclonal antibodies, Cell culture based vaccines, Hybridoma technology etc., Genetic engineering of animal cells and their applications; Artificial life.

Suggested readings

1. Freshney I. Culture of Animal Cells: A Manual of Basic Technique, 5th Edition
Publisher: Wiley-Liss, 2005 ISBN: 0471453293.
2. Nigel Jen, Animal Cell Biotechnology: Methods and protocols, Humana Press.
3. R. Lanza, J. Gearhart et al (Eds), Essential of Stem Cell Biology. (2009), Elsevier Academic press.
4. Stein et al. Human Stem Cell Technology and Biology: A Research Guide and Laboratory Manual. Wiley-Blackwell; 1 edition (January 4, 2011).
5. Lanza et al. Handbook of Stem Cells, Two-Volume Set: Volume 1-Embryonic Stem Cells; Volume 2-Adult & Fetal Stem Cells (v. 1).Academic Press (September 28, 2004)

SEMESTER-I

Paper Code: GENET-107E

DROSOPHILA GENETICS

Credits: 4

Time: 3 Hours

(Soft Core Elective Paper)

Max. Marks: 80

Instruction for paper setter

There will be a total of nine questions. Question No. 1 will be compulsory and shall contain eight to ten short answer type questions without any internal choice and it shall cover the entire syllabus. The remaining eight questions will include two questions from each unit.

Candidates will be required to attempt one question from each of the four units. They will attempt five questions in all.

Unit-I

Drosophila as a model organism, Methods for collection from natural sites, Life cycle of *Drosophila* with characteristic features of each stage, Mechanism of sex determination in *Drosophila m.*; mating behavior in *Drosophila*, Basic requirements for setting up *Drosophila* laboratory; Nonallelic and allelic interactions in *Drosophila*, Linkage study, mutants in *Drosophila*, sex lethals in *Drosophila*.

Unit-II

Mutagenesis and isolation of new variants: X-ray and chemical mutagenesis, P-element and insertional mutagenesis *Drosophila* development: Embryonic development, Maternal effect genes and formation of body axes, Segmentation genes, Homeotic genes and their functions, Imaginal discs and their types, Pupa and metamorphosis; Induction and development of compound eye in *Drosophila*. Polytene chromosome: Maps, puffing and utility; Chromosomes of *Drosophila*, Balancer chromosomes,

Unit-III

Stem cells in *Drosophila*, Oogenesis in *Drosophila*, Ectopic expression, Generation of Transgenic *Drosophila*: (a) Germ-line transformation, (b) Application of P-element based vectors in transgenic generation; Advancement in *Drosophila* genetics: (a) Mitotic recombination, (b) Somatic clones, (c) Germ-line clones, (d) Conditional and /or targeted expression/ablation of genes/transcripts (e.g. UAS/GAL4 system), (e) RNAi based screening of gene functions in *Drosophila*.

Unit-IV

Drosophila model for human genetic disorders like Parkinson's, Huntington's, Alzheimer's diseases etc.; Brief overview of *Drosophila* genome project: Online databases and other resources for *Drosophila* genetics.

Suggested Readings

1. Principles of Genetics by D. Peter Snustad and Michael J Simmons
2. Genetics: A Conceptual Approach by Benjamin A. Pierce
3. The Development of *Drosophila Melanogaster* Vol. 1 by Cold Spring Harbor Press
4. Matthew C. LaFave, Jeff Sekelsky. Mitotic Recombination: Why? When? How? Where? PLoS Genetics March 2009 | Volume 5 | Issue 3 | e1000411
5. David A. Elliott and Andrea H. Brand. The GAL4 System: *A Versatile System for the Expression of Genes* from Methods in Molecular Biology: *Drosophila*: Methods and Protocols

Paper Code: GENET- 108E **SEMESTER-I** **Credits: 4**
PLANT GENETICS

Time: 3 Hours **(Soft Core Elective Paper)** **Max. Marks: 80**

Instructions for paper setter

There will be a total of nine questions. Question No. 1 will be compulsory and shall contain eight to ten short answer type questions without any internal choice and it shall cover the entire syllabus. The remaining eight questions will include two questions from each unit. Candidates will be required to attempt one question from each of the four units. They will attempt five questions in all

Unit I

Plant Genetics: Introduction; Problems related to higher plants, including polyploidy inheritance, self-incompatibility, cytoplasmic inheritance, mutable alleles; complex loci, genome analysis, recombination and mutagenesis; cytological aspects of hybridity and apomixes; chromosomes as they affect breeding behaviour.

Unit II

Plant Breeding: History of plant breeding; Principles of plant breeding; Breeding methods for self and cross pollinated crops; Heterosis breeding; Polyploidy and haploids in plant breeding; Cytogenetic tools in Plant breeding; Limitations of conventional breeding.

Unit III

Plant Tissue Culture: History of plant cell and tissue culture; Culture media; Various types of culture; callus, suspension, nurse, root, meristem, etc.; In vitro differentiation: organogenesis and somatic embryogenesis; Plant growth regulators: mode of action, effects on in vitro culture and regeneration; Molecular basis of plant organ differentiation.

Unit IV

Molecular markers for genome mapping: Principles of genetic linkage, concept of genetic distance, development and choice of mapping populations, linkage map construction ó relational, integrated and comparative maps; Principles and methods of QTL mapping.

Suggested Readings

1. Principles of Plant Breeding, Allard R. W. Wiley & Sons
2. Plant Breeding Theory and Practice, Stoskopf N. C., Tomes D. T. & Christie, B. R. Westview Press
3. Plant Cytogenetics, Singh R. J. CRC Press
4. Genome mapping in Plants, Paterson A. H. Academic Press
5. Molecular markers in Plant Genetics and Biotechnology, Vienne D. INRA
6. Quantitative Genetics, Genomics and Plant Breeding, Kang M. S. CABI Publishing
7. Plant Molecular Breeding, Newbury H. J. CRC press
8. Bhojwani SS. 1983. Plant Tissue Culture: Theory and Practice. Elsevier.
9. Dixon RA. 2003. Plant Cell Culture. IRL Press.
10. George EF, Hall MA & De Klerk GJ. 2008. Plant Propagation by Tissue Culture. Agritech Publ.

Paper Code: GENET- 109L **SEMESTER-I** **Credits: 2**
LAB COURSE-II (FOR RESPECTIVE
SOFT CORE ELECTIVE PAPER)

Time: 3 Hours **Max. Marks: 50**

SEMESTER-II

Paper Code: GENET-201C

RECOMBINANT DNA TECHNOLOGY

Credits: 4

Time: 3 Hours

(Core Paper)

Max. Marks: 80

Instructions for paper setter

There will be a total of five questions. Question No. 1 will be compulsory and shall contain short answer eight to ten short type questions without any internal choice and it shall cover the entire syllabus. The remaining four questions will include two questions from each unit. Candidates will be required to attempt one question from each of the four units. They will attempt five questions in all.

Unit-I

Principles of Genetic Engineering: Historical account, Components of Nucleic acids, DNA modifying enzymes, Cloning vectors and Cloning hosts, Gene transfer and cloning methods, Gene Screening and isolation - Strategies, DNA libraries, Probe Selection and gene screening.

UNIT II

PCR and DNA sequencing: PCR of Principle, Methodology, Types - RT-PCR, RAPD, AFLP, ISSR, inverse PCR and Real time PCR and their applications, DNA sequencing methods - Maxam and Gilbert's method, Sanger's method, Automated DNA sequencing method, Capillary gel electrophoresis for DNA sequencing.

UNIT III

Molecular markers: Type of molecular markers; Application of molecular markers in discerning polymorphism, germplasm characterisation, Gene tagging; Disease diagnostics; Marker aided selection in crop improvement. DNA Engineering techniques: Gel electrophoresis of nucleic acids, Methods of labeling of DNA, Blotting of macromolecules and hybridization, Oligonucleotide synthesis, Promoter characterization, DNA fingerprinting, Microarray technology, *In vitro* translation.

UNIT IV

Application of r-DNA technology: (Production of recombinant protein, Vaccine and pharmaceutical compounds; application in agriculture, Fluorescence in situ hybridization (FISH), Proteomics: Tools techniques, study of protein-protein interaction, protein analysis for gene identification, post translation modification.

Suggested readings:

1. Gene Cloning and DNA Analysis,-An Introduction (2001) Brown T. A., Blackwell Publishing.
2. Gene Cloning and Manipulation- Howe C., Cambridge University Press.
3. Principles of Gene Manipulation and Genomics (2001) - Primrose S. B. & Twyman R. M, Blackwell Publishing.
4. Molecular Cloning (2001) - A Laboratory Manual (3-Volume Set) Sambrook J. et al., CSHL Press
5. Calculations for Molecular Biology and Biotechnology (2003) -Stephenson F. H., Academic Press

SEMESTER-II

Paper Code: GENET- 202C

MOLECULAR GENETICS

Credits: 4

Time: 3 Hours

(Core Paper)

Max. Marks: 80

Instructions for paper setter

There will be a total of five questions. Question No. 1 will be compulsory and shall contain eight to ten short answer type questions without any internal choice and it shall cover the entire syllabus. The remaining four questions will include two questions from each unit. Candidates will be required to attempt one question from each of the four units. They will attempt five questions in all.

Unit -I

DNA, RNA as genetic material; DNA replication, Repair and Recombination: Unit of replication, enzymes involved, replication origin and replication fork, fidelity of replication; DNA damage and repair mechanisms: nucleotide excision repair, base excision repair, SOS repair, recombinational repair, Photoreactivation; Structure and function of different types of RNA, RNA transport; RNA synthesis and processing: Transcription factors and machinery, formation of initiation complex, transcription activators and repressors, RNA polymerases, capping, elongation and termination, RNA processing, RNA editing, splicing, polyadenylation.

Unit- II

Protein synthesis and processing: Ribosomes, formation of initiation complex, initiation factors and their regulation, elongation and elongation factors, termination, genetic code, aminoacylation of tRNA, tRNA-identity, aminoacyl tRNA synthetase, translational proof-reading, translational inhibitors, post- translational modification of proteins.

Unit-III

Structure of genes in eukaryotes: Split genes-exons and introns; different kinds of introns and junction sequences; origin of introns (exon early intron early hypothesis); coding potential and overlapping genes; pseudogenes-their origin and function; cryptic genes- their origin and function; gene transfer between nucleus and other organelles.

Gene regulation and levels of regulation, evidences and experimental designs/methodologies, role of genetic analysis in understanding gene function and regulation; Yeast- Gene regulation in a single celled eukaryote using a model case of GAL gene.

Unit-IV

Genetic regulation in eukaryotes; DNA alteration (Gene amplification, programmed DNA rearrangement, DNA methylation); Spatial and temporal control, Tubulin gene in plant, globin genes in animals); Molecular control of transcription in eukaryotes (Enhancer, Silencer, enhancer trap mutagenesis, transcription factors, alternate promoters, alternate splicing, molecular organization of transcriptionally active DNA); Induction of transcriptional activity by environmental and horizontal factors; Translational control.

Suggested readings:

1. Benjamin Lewin. Gene X, 10th Edition, Jones and Barlett Publishers 2010.
2. J D Watson et al., Biology of Gene, 6th Edition, Benjamin Cummings publishers Inc. 2007
3. Alberts et al., Molecular Biology of the Cell, Garland, 2002
4. Primose SB, Molecular Biotechnology, Panima, 2001.
5. Watson et al. Molecular Biology of the gene. Pearson Prentice Hall, USA 2003
6. Benjamin Lewin. Gene X, Jones and Barlett Publishers, 2010.

SEMESTER-II

Paper Code: GENET- 203C

IMMUNOGENETICS

Credits: 4

Time: 3 Hours

(Core Paper)

Max. Marks: 80

Instructions for paper setter

There will be a total of five questions. Question No. 1 will be compulsory and shall contain eight to ten short answer type questions without any internal choice and it shall cover the entire syllabus. The remaining four questions will include two questions from each unit. Candidates will be required to attempt one question from each of the four units. They will attempt five questions in all.

Unit-I

Overview of immunity; General properties of immune system, Innate and adaptive immunity; Immunological memory; Cells and organs of immune system; Hematopoiesis, Antigens (Haptens, epitopes, adjuvants) and antibodies; Immunoglobulin classes; Cytokines, interferon, colony stimulating factor, transforming growth factor, Complement pathways.

Unit-II

Immune response: MHC complex, Class I, II, III molecules; Genetic map of H-2 complex & HLA Complex; T cell receptor complex; Subtractive hybridization; Ig gene super family; Humoral & cell mediated immune response (antigen recognition, processing and presentation), Hypersensitivity reactions (I, II, III & IV types).

Unit-III

Immunogenetics: Organization of immunoglobulin genes, Genetic control of light chains ((Lambda & Kappa), Genetic control of heavy chains; Genomic rearrangement during B lymphocyte differentiation, Somatic recombination events, Antibody class switching, Allelic exclusion, Somatic mutation; Genetic control of antibody diversity.

Unit-IV

Immunity in health and disease: Disorders of immune system: Self tolerance & auto immunity, causative factors; Defects: Thyroiditis, IDDM, SLE, Rheumatoid arthritis; Immuno suppression: Severe combined immuno deficiency (SCID), AIDS; Tissue transplantation: Laws, types of grafts rejection, GVHR, alloantigens; Vaccines: first, second and third generation vaccine; Primary antigen, antibody reaction: Radio immunoassay, Enzyme linked immunosorbant assay; Secondary antigen antibody reaction: Precipitation, Agglutination & Immuno electrophoresis.

Suggested readings:

1. Immunology - Kuby J. W. H., Freeman
2. Essentials of Immunology (2014) - Ivan M. Roitt, Wiley-Blackwell
3. Fundamentals of Immunology (2008) -William E. Paul Lippincott, Williams & Wilkins.
4. Immunology Understanding Immune system Elgert K D, John Wiley and sons.

SEMESTER-II

Paper Code: GENET- 204C

CONSERVATION BIOLOGY

Credits: 4

Time: 3 Hours

(Core paper)

Max. Marks: 80

Instructions for paper setter

There will be a total of five questions. Question No. 1 will be compulsory and shall contain eight to ten short answer type questions without any internal choice and it shall cover the entire syllabus. The remaining four questions will include two questions from each unit. Candidates will be required to attempt one question from each of the four units. They will attempt five questions in all.

Unit 1

Structure and function of ecosystems; Energy flow and mineral cycling (C,N,P), primary production and decomposition; Structure and function of some Indian ecosystems: terrestrial (forest, grassland) and aquatic (fresh water, marine, eustarine); Major terrestrial biomes, theory of island biogeography, biogeographical zones of India; Mega-centres of biodiversity; Biodiversity hot spots- Global and Indian; Measurement of biodiversity-species diversity; Concept of centre of origin and crop diversity.

Unit 2

Environmental pollution: Soil, water, air; global climate/environmental change, Role of IPCC; Biodiversity: status, monitoring and documentation, major drivers of biodiversity change, biodiversity management approaches; Factors affecting biodiversity, Global climatic change; Invasive species eroding species diversity; Estimation of genetic diversity, population biology, concept of minimum viable population; Population viability and population genetics to facilitate conservation, Assessing the loss of biodiversity- Floristic surveys/inventory; IUCN Red data book.

Unit 3

Strategies for conservation of biodiversity; *In situ* conservation- Ecosystem approach, Habitat approach, Gene management zones; *In situ*-on farm conservation; *Ex situ* conservation- Whole plant conservation/maintenance, conservation through storage of orthodox seeds at low temperatures; Conservation using *in vitro* culture methods; Conservation using cryobiology; Conservation using storage of DNA molecule; Indian case studies on conservation/management strategy (Project Tiger, Biosphere reserves.); International organisation supporting conservation (PETA); Indian organisation supporting conservation; International treaties/agreements for conservation; Indian laws for Conservation

Unit 4

Animal Sexual behaviour: Monogamy, Polygamy with examples; Learning Behavior: Habituation, Classical Conditioning, Instrumental Conditioning, Latent Learning, Insight Learning; Communication: visual, acoustic, tactile and chemical communication; Social Behavior: Living In Groups, Agonistic Behavior, Aggressive behaviour Territories and Dominance Hierarchies, Altruism, Reciprocal Altruism, Kin Selection, Parental Care in humans, birds, animals (lion, elephant); Habitat Selection and Optimality in Foraging, Specialists and Generalists; Migration, Orientation And Navigation.

Suggested readings

1. Ecology and Environment by P D Sharma
2. Fundamentals of ecology by E P Odum
3. Essentials of ecology by G T Miller
4. Animal Behavior: An Evolutionary Approach, Tenth Edition by John Alcock
5. http://en.wikibooks.org/wiki/Animal_Behavior
6. http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Drosophila_melanogaster

SEMESTER-II

Paper Code: GENET- 205L

LAB COURSE-III

Credits: 8

Time: 6 Hours

Max. Marks: 200

SEMESTER-II

SOFT CORE

Student will opt any one of the given three soft core (Elective) and respective Lab Course-IV.

Paper Code: GENET- 206E

MEDICAL GENOMICS

Credits: 4

Time: 3 Hours

(Soft Core Elective Paper)

Max. Marks: 80

Instructions for paper setter

There will be a total of five questions. Question No. 1 will be compulsory and shall contain short answer eight to ten type questions without any internal choice and it shall cover the entire syllabus. The remaining four questions will include two questions from each unit. Candidates will be required to attempt one question from each of the four units. They will attempt five questions in all.

Unit-I

Growth and development of medical genetics, Role of genetics in medicine; Diagnostic genetics: Cytogenetics/ Molecular Cytogenetics /Biochemical/Molecular methods; Screening for mutation/ chromosomal anomaly - Adult/Prenatal/Newborn screening; Preimplantation screening (Assisted reproductive technology- *in vitro* fertilization and Embryo transfer); Organ banking, transplantation, Forensic testing - DNA fingerprinting, paternity testing, individual identification.

Unit-II

Treatment of genetic disorders: Recombinant Proteins, Gene therapy: Types, Criteria & technical aspects, Viral vectors, delivery methods and microinjection, germline therapy, gene therapy of (Thalassemia, Cystic fibrosis, DMD), Mitochondrial inheritance disorders (Mitochondrial myopathy, Retinitis pigmentosa, Diabetes mellitus).

Unit -III

Pharmacogenetics: History, Genes involved in pharmacokinetics and pharmacodynamics of drugs, Pharmacogenetic diseases (Hereditary disorders with altered drug response, Malignant hyperthermia, G-6-PD deficiency), Role of functional genomics in new drug discovery and drugable genome, Role of SNPs in drug discovery and development.

Unit-IV

Genetic counseling: Definition and process, Diagnostic problems, decision making, risk assessment and role of genetic counsellors, Prenatal/adult diagnosis of genetic disorders; Psychosocial aspects of genetic counselling. Medical ethics; Risks and benefits; Informed consent and confidentiality Right of choice universability of bioethics; Dilemmas faced by counsellors, Case studies; Genome ownership, Genetic insurance, Genetic privacy, genome Patenting.

Suggested readings:

1. Human Molecular Genetics (2010) 4th ed. - Strachan T. & Read A., Garland Science
2. An introduction to Human Molecular Genetics (1999) - Mechanism of Inherited Diseases Pasternak J. Fitzgerald, Science Press
3. Thompson and Thompson Genetics in Medicine (2007) 7th ed. Robert et al. ,Saunders
- 4 Landmarks in Medical Genetics ó (2002) Ed. Harper P. S., Oxford University Press
- 5.Chromosome Banding (1990) - Sumner A.T. Unwin, Hyman
6. Genes IX (2009) -Lewin B, Jones and Barlett Publishers

SEMESTER-II

Paper Code GENET-: 207E BIOINFORMATICS & BIostatISTICS

Credits: 4

Time: 3 Hours

(Soft Core Elective Paper)

Max. Marks: 80

Instructions for paper setter

There will be a total of five questions. Question No. 1 will be compulsory and shall contain eight to ten short answer type questions without any internal choice and it shall cover the entire syllabus. The remaining four questions will include two questions from each unit. Candidates will be required to attempt one question from each of the four units. They will attempt five questions in all.

Unit-I

Introduction to Bioinformatics, Biological Databases: Primary, secondary & specialized databases. Types of databases- Nucleotide sequence database, EMBL, Genebank, Unigene, Genome biology, Protein dBase (Swiss-prot & Trembl and Motif) and 3D structure databases (PDB, SCOP, Cath, Genecards, SRS & Entrez) and various specialized databases like TIGR, Hovergen, TAIR, PlasmoDB, ECDC etc. Sequence retrieval, primer designing for PCR.

Unit-II

Basics of sequence analysis- Dot matrix method, NeedlemanóWunsch Algorithm and Smith-Waterman algorithm, Alignments using BLAST and FASTA, Multiple Sequence Alignment (CLUSTAL-X and CLUSTAL-W), Application of multiple sequence alignment (PSSM and Markov/Hidden Markov models. Phylogenetic tree construction by distance based methods, character based methods. Protein Structure Prediction - Ab initio based methods, Homology based methods and comparative modelling, Phylogenetic analysis: Application of phylip.

Unit-III

Methods of data collection, sampling and sampling methods, Sample size estimation and designing of experiments, case-control studies, randomization, replication local control, completely randomized and randomized block design.

Unit-IV

Types of data, tabular and graphical presentation of data; Measurement of central tendency, mean, median, mode, standard deviation, standard error and variance. Analysis of variance (ANOVA), Correlation & regression analysis, tests of significance, t-test, z-test, χ^2 test

Suggested Readings:

1. David W. Mount Bioinformatics: Sequence and Genome Analysis CSHL Press, 2004
2. A. Baxevanis and FBF Ouellette, Bioinformatics: A practical guide to the analysis of genes and proteins 2nd eds. John Wiley 2001
3. Jonathan Pevsner Bioinformatics and functional genomics 1st Ed. Wiley Liss 2003
4. P E Bourne and H. Weissig Structural Bioinformatics Wiley 2003. Statistical Analysis of Non normal data, By: J.V. Deshpande, A.P. Gore, A. Shanubhogue, New Age International Publishers Ltd.
5. Introduction to Bioinformatics; T K Attword and DJ Parrysmith (2002) Pearson education.
6. Statistical methods in Animal Sciences, By : V.N. Amble, Indian Society Agricultural Statistics (New Delhi)
7. Statistical Procedure for Agricultural Research By: Kwanchai A Gomes Arturo A.Gomez, John Wiley and Sons.
8. A text book of Agricultural Statistics. By: R. Rangaswamy, New Age International Pvt. Ltd.
9. Statistics for Agricultural Sciences. By: G. Nageswar Rao, Oxford and IBH Publishing Co.
10. SP Gupta, Statistical Methods S Chand and Sons 2004.
11. B L Agarwal, Basic Statistics, New Age. 2003

SEMESTER-II

Paper Code: GENET- 208E

MICROBIAL TECHNOLOGY

Credits: 4

Time: 3 Hours

(Soft Core Elective Paper)

Max. Marks: 80

Instructions for paper setter

There will be a total of nine questions. Question No. 1 will be compulsory and shall contain eight to ten short answer type questions without any internal choice and it shall cover the entire syllabus. The remaining eight questions will include two questions from each unit. Candidates will be required to attempt one question from each of the four units. They will attempt five questions in all.

Unit -I

Microbial innovations in pharmaceutical, health, agricultural and industrial sectors; Strategies for selection and improvement of industrial strains of microorganisms; Metagenomics of the isolation of genes for novel compounds; Measurement and control of bioprocess parameters; Genetic and Environmental Control of metabolic pathways.

Unit- II

Process Development: optimization of bio-process development, classical and statistical methods of optimization, different matrices, whole cell and enzyme immobilization, scale up of bioprocess, general concepts of fermenter. batch, fed and continuous fermentation.

Unit -III

Downstream process, purification and characterization of industrially important microbial products; Primary and secondary metabolites; Industrial production of antibiotics, biofuel, steroids and single cell proteins; Peptide antibiotics of bacteria and its role to combat antimicrobial resistance.

Unit- IV

Microbial overproduction of recombinant molecules: Selection of suitable promoter sequences, ribosome binding sites, fusion protein tags, purification tags, protease cleavage sites and enzymes, inducible expression system, limitations of metabolic engineering. Metabolic engineering of antibiotics. Maintenance and containment of recombinant molecules.

Suggested readings:

- 1 Biotechnological Innovations in Chemical Synthesis: BIOTOL, Butterworth - Heinemann.
- 2 Industrial Microbiology, G. Reed (editor), CBS Publishers (A VI Publishing Company).
- 3 Genetics and Biotechnology of Industrial Microorganisms. C.L. I-leø-shnergev, S.W. Queener and Q Hege^n. American Society of Microbiology.
- 4 Protein Expression A Practical Approach: Edited by S.J. Higgins and B.D. Hames (OUP).

SEMESTER-II

Paper Code: GENET-209L

**LAB COURSE-IV (FOR RESPECTIVE
SOFT CORE ELECTIVE PAPER**

Credits: 2

Time: 3 Hours

Max. Marks: 50

SEMESTER-II

Paper Code: GENET- 210F

(Foundation course)

Credits: 2

Time: 1.5 Hours

Max. Marks: 40

The students are required to take one paper of Foundation course of their choice from any other MSc course/Department of M.D. University campus Rohtak

Instructions

There will be a total of five questions. Question No. 1 will be compulsory and shall contain eight to ten short answer type questions without any internal choice and it shall cover the entire syllabus. The remaining four questions will include two questions from each unit. The students will be required to attempt one question from each of the two units. The students will attempt three questions in all.

SEMESTER-II

Paper Code: GENET-2110E

Interdisciplinary Open Elective Paper

Credits: 2

Time: 1.5 Hours

Max. Marks: 50

The students are required to take one paper (Interdisciplinary/Open Elective) of their choice from any other Subject/Department of M.D. University campus Rohtak.

Instructions

There will be a total of five questions. Question No. 1 will be compulsory and shall contain eight to ten short answer type questions without any internal choice and it shall cover the entire syllabus. The remaining four questions will include two questions from each unit. The students will be required to attempt one question from each of the two units. The students will attempt three questions in all.

SEMESTER-III

Paper Code: GENET- 301C

DEVELOPMENTAL GENETICS

Credits: 4

Time: 3 Hours

(Core Paper)

Max. Marks: 80

Instructions for paper setter

There will be a total of five questions. Question No. 1 will be compulsory and shall contain eight to ten short answer type questions without any internal choice and it shall cover the entire syllabus. The remaining four questions will include two questions from each unit. Candidates will be required to attempt one question from each of the four units. They will attempt five questions in all.

Unit-I

Basic concepts of development: Potency, commitment, specification, induction, competence, determination and differentiation; Morphogenetic gradients, pattern formation, cell fate and cell lineages; Mosaic versus regulative development; Genomic imprinting .

Unit-II

Fertilization, Types of cleavage, Gastrulation; Cell movement and formation of germ layers in frog, Chick and mouse; Implantation and formation of the placenta in mammals; Gastrulation in mammals-formation of primitive streak, morphogenetic movements and induction; Organogenesis and foetal development; Formation of vulva in *C. elegans*.

Unit – III

Drosophila: Maternal genes and formation of body axes, Segmentation genes, and Homeotic genes function, Imaginal disc development; Pattern forming genes and expression in mammalian embryos, Axes formation and Hox genes; Development of mammalian brain-cerebral cortex-cell lineages; Limb development and regeneration in vertebrates; Lens development-fibre differentiation; Programmed morphogenetic histogenetic cell death (apoptosis); Erythropoiesis, myelopoiesis; Ageing.

Unit - IV

Embryonic stem cells and their applications; Clinical embryology: (Gametogenesis, Follicular development, egg release, fertilization implantation, Types of placenta), Brief account of hormonal control of reproduction; Gonadal malformation and their genetic basis; Reproductive failure and infertility; Assisted reproduction.

Suggested readings:

1. Developmental Biology (2003) - Gilbert S. F, Sinauer Asso.
2. Principles of Development (2002) - Wolpert L et al., Oxford University Press
3. The Art of the Genes (1999) - How Organisms Make Themselves Coen E. Oxford University Press
- 4 Genetic Analysis of Animal Development (1993) 2nd ed. - Wilkins A. S., Wiley-Liss
5. Biological Physics of the Developing Embryo (2005) - Forgacs G. & Newman S. A., Cambridge University Press..

SEMESTER-III

Paper Code: GENET- 302C

PLANT MOLECULAR GENETICS

Credits: 4

Time: 3 Hours

(Core Paper)

Max. Marks: 80

Instructions for paper setter

There will be a total of five questions. Question No. 1 will be compulsory and shall contain eight to ten short answer type questions without any internal choice and it shall cover the entire syllabus. The remaining four questions will include two questions from each unit. Candidates will be required to attempt one question from each of the four units. They will attempt five questions in all.

Unit-I

Gene expression in plants: Gene structure, expression and regulation in plants- an overview of nuclear & organelle gene structure, function and expression with emphasis on aspects that are unique to plants genes; Development of Arabidopsis as a model for molecular genetic studies in plant biology.

Unit-II

Use of *in vitro* culture technology: Micro-propagation for multiplication; Embryo rescue for production of hybrids; Production of haploid through anther or pollen culture; Culture and manipulation of protoplast-Somatic Hybrids, Organelle transfer and cybrids; *In vitro* screening and selection of desirable cell lines; Creation of soma-clonal variation and selection of desirable genotypes in genetic improvement; *In vitro* mutagenesis; Callus and cell culture for production secondary metabolites; Production of synthetic seed; Germplasm conservation.

Unit-III

Genetic Transformation: Plant transformation vectors- T-DNA, viral vectors, transposon elements; Genetic transformation methods: Agro-bacterium system; Direct DNA transfer by ballistic gun method, electroporation, microinjection; Alternate in-plant methods, floral dip, silicon carbide, pollen tube pathway etc.; Marker-free and novel selection strategies; Gene silencing; RNA interference (RNAi) system; Gene knockdown.

Unit-IV

Application of technology and bio-safety; Targeted transfer of genes conferring resistance to biotic and abiotic stresses, nutritional quality, and other desirable traits, like male sterility, flowering, fruiting, ripening etc. (case study); Concerns about bio-safety of genetically modified organism (GMO) (Allergen, toxicity, impact on biodiversity etc.); Indian regulatory system for testing of GMOs in laboratory, field trials and commercial release of transgenic; Bio-confinement strategies for cultivated crops; bio-safety and ethics in generating GMOs; potential benefits of GMOs.

Suggested readings:

1. Plant Tissue Culture- Theory and Practice (1996) Bhojwani S. S. & Razdan M. K., Elsevier
2. Plant Biotechnology-The Genetic Manipulation of Plants (2003) Slater A. Scott N. & Fowler M., Oxford University Press Inc.
3. Plants, Genes and Crop Biotechnology (2003) - Chrispeels M. J. & Sadava D. E., Jones and Barlett Publishers
- 4 Principles of Gene Manipulation and Genomics (2001) -Primrose S. B. & Twyman R M, Blackwell Publishing.
5. Plant Cell, Tissue and Organ Culture- Fundamental Methods (1995) (Eds). Gamborg O. L & Phillips G. C. Springer-Verlag.
6. Plant Biotechnology (2006) - B. D. Singh, Kalyani Publishers.
7. Plant Cell Culture- A practical approach - (1985) Dixon RA (ed.) IRL Press, Oxford, Washington, DC

SEMESTER-III

Paper
Code:GENET303C

**POPULATION AND EVOLUTIONARY
GENETICS**

Credits: 4

Time: 3 Hours

(Core paper)

Max. Marks: 80

Instructions for paper setter

There will be a total of five questions. Question No. 1 will be compulsory and shall contain eight to ten short answer type questions without any internal choice and it shall cover the entire syllabus. The remaining four questions will include two questions from each unit. Candidates will be required to attempt one question from each of the four units. They will attempt five questions in all.

Unit-1

Population genetics: Definition & Meaning, Microevolution in Mendelian population: Theory of Allele Frequencies, The Hardy-Weinberg Principle, Applications of The Hardy-Weinberg Principle, Exceptions to Hardy-Weinberg Principle (non-random mating, unequal survival, population sub-division, migration); Natural Selection: Concept of fitness, Natural Selection at the level of gene; Factors affecting gene frequencies: natural selection, genetic drift, mutation; Speciation: Causes of reproductive isolation, Evidence for speciation, Mode of speciation: Allopatric, Parapatric, Sympatric; Co-speciation: sexual selection, Co-evolution and convergent evolution.

Unit- 2

Populations In Genetic Equilibrium: Balancing Selection, Mutation-Selection Balance, Mutation-Drift Balance; Quantitative Genetics: Johannsen pure-line concept; Quantitative traits and their characteristics, threshold traits, multiple factor hypothesis, types of quantitative traits, determining gene number for a polygenic trait, components of phenotypic variation and genetic models for quantitative traits; Concept of heritability: Broad sense heritability and Narrow sense heritability; Predicting phenotypes; Artificial selection.

Unit-3

Emergence of Evolutionary Theory: Lamarckism and Darwin's Theory of Evolution, Shortcomings of Lamarckism and Darwin's Theory; Origin of basic organic monomers and polymers, Spontaneous generation, Louis Pasteur's experiment, Oparin and Haldane's theory of origin of life, Miller-Urey Experiment; Origin of prokaryotes and eukaryotes; Evolutionary time scale: Eras, periods and epoch, Major events in evolutionary time scale

Unit-4

Molecular evolution; concept of neutral theory of molecular evolution; Molecular divergence and molecular clocks; Molecular tools in phylogeny, classification and identification.
Genetic Variation in natural populations; Chromosomal and allozyme polymorphism, Balanced polymorphism and heterosis; Protein and nucleotide sequence analysis; Origin of new genes and proteins; gene duplication and divergence.

Suggested Readings:

1. http://evolution.berkeley.edu/evolibrary/article/0_0_0/evo_01
2. http://evolution.berkeley.edu/evolibrary/article/evo_44
3. Principles of Genetics by D. Peter Snustad and Michael J Simmons
4. Genetics: A Conceptual Approach by Benjamin A. Pierce
5. The Science of Genetics by Alan G. Atherly, Jack R. Girton, John F. McDonal
6. Genes in the Environment- Rosie S. Hails, Wiley-Blackwell Publications, 2003.

SEMESTER-III

Paper Code: GENET- 304C

ANALYTICAL TECHNIQUES IN GENETICS

Credits: 4

Time: 3 Hours

(Core Paper)

Max. Marks: 80

Instructions for paper setter

There will be a total of nine questions. Question No. 1 will be compulsory and shall contain eight to ten short answer type questions without any internal choice and it shall cover the entire syllabus. The remaining eight questions will include two questions from each unit. Candidates will be required to attempt one question from each of the four units. They will attempt five questions in all.

Unit-I

Microscopy: Light Microscopy-Introduction, Geometrical optics, Image formation, Magnification and Resolution, Lens aberrations, Distortion of image and curvature of field; Types of microscopes- Compound, Comparison, Fluorescence, Polarized, Stereo, Their basic principles, working and applications; Electron Microscopy- Introduction, Historical review, Scanning electron microscopy (SEM), Transmission electron microscopy (TEM), Theory and basic principles, Instrumentation, applications.

Unit - II

Principles and techniques of nucleic acid hybridization and cot curves; Sequencing of nucleic acids; Southern, Northern and Western blotting techniques; Protein sequencing, Polymerase chain reaction (PCR), Real Time-PCR, Methods for measuring nucleic acid and protein interaction. Electrophoresis: Principle, procedure and application of- Agarose, PAGE, SDS-PAGE, Pulse field electrophoresis, Paper cellulose acetate and High voltage electrophoresis; Isoelectric focusing (IEF).

Unit - III

Biophysical methods: Analysis of biomolecules using UV/visible, fluorescence, circular dichroism, NMR and ESR spectroscopy; Structure determination using X-ray diffraction and NMR analysis using light scattering; Different types of mass spectrometry and surface plasma resonance methods; Computation methods; Nucleic acid method and protein sequence databases, data mining method for sequence searches, motif analysis and prediction.

Unit - IV

Principle and applications of gel filtration, ion exchange & affinity chromatography; Thin layer chromatography; Gas chromatography; GLC; High pressure liquid chromatography (HPLC), Fast protein liquid chromatography (FPLC); Ultracentrifugation (Velocity and buoyant density).
Nature Radioactivity, detection and measurement, construction and use of scintillation counters, Autoradiography, preparation of labelled compounds. Applications in biological sciences, use of non radioactive compounds.

Suggested readings:

1. Molecular cloning A Laboratory Manual 3rd edition Vol. 1, 2, 3- Sambrook and Russell, Churchill press 2007
2. Principals and Techniques of Biochemistry and Molecular Biology (2010)- Edited by Keith Wilson and John Walker, Sixth Edition, Cambridge University Press.

SEMESTER-III

Paper Code: GENET- 305L

LAB COURSE-V

Credits: 8

Time: 6 Hours

Max. Marks: 200

SEMESTER-III

SOFT CORE

Student will opt any one of the given three soft core (Elective) and respective Lab Course-VI

Paper Code: GENET- 306E

HUMAN MOLECULAR GENETICS

Credits: 4

Time: 3 Hours

(Soft core Elective Paper)

Max. Marks: 80

Instructions for paper setter

There will be a total of nine questions. Question No. 1 will be compulsory and shall contain eight to ten short answer type questions without any internal choice and it shall cover the entire syllabus. The remaining eight questions will include two questions from each unit. Candidates will be required to attempt one question from each of the four units. They will attempt five questions in all.

Unit-I

Organization of genome in humans: General features of chromosomes, reiterated sequences and their detection: LINE, SINE, Alu family, transposable elements; Gene mapping: Gene mapping by somatic cell hybridization, top down approach to molecular mapping, restriction maps and contig construction (the bottom up approach); Engineering chromosomes : Yeast artificial chromosome, making YACs, MACs (mammalian artificial chromosomes) and satellite DNA's, artificial chromosomes (SAT ACS).

Unit –II

Molecular explanation of dominance & recessiveness, incomplete penetrance & expressivity; Identification of genetic basis of disease: Positional analysis, structural and functional cloning; Bioinformatic analysis; Characterization, Mutation detection, diagnosis and therapy (with examples from autosomal Dominant, autosomal recessive, X-linked dominant, X-linked recessive and complex disease Conditions); Identification of specific disease gene in Huntington's disease, DMD (Duchenne muscular dystrophy) and Cystic fibrosis.

Unit-III

Genetic susceptibility to common diseases: Types and mechanisms of susceptibility; Genetic approaches to common diseases (Diabetes mellitus, Hypertension, Coronary artery diseases, Schizophrenia, Alzheimer's disease); Whole genome association (Single nucleotide polymorphism, CNVs).

Unit-IV

Genetic toxicology: Genotoxicity- classification of genotoxic agents, genotoxic test systems, mutagenicity, teratogenicity; DNA damage & genome instability: endogenous metabolism & DNA damage, exogenous factors (irradiation & carcinogens); Functional genomics: cDNA/gene, cloning; site-directed mutagenesis; Mammalian tissue culture, Methods for generation of transgenic animals/ knock-in, knockout models (microinjection, ES cell transformation); E Numutagenesis; PFGE, Automated DNA sequencing.

Suggested readings:

1. Human Molecular Genetics (2011) 4th ed - Strachan T. & Read A., Garland Science
2. An introduction to Human Molecular Genetics-Mechanism of Inherited Diseases (1999)- Pasternak J. Fitzgerald, Science Press
3. Genetics in Medicine 7th Ed (2007) - Thompson and Thompson, Saunders
- 4 Landmarks in Medical Genetics (2002) (Ed.) Harper P. S. Oxford University Press
5. Chromosome Banding (1990) -Sumner A.T., Unwin Hyman
6. Human Genetics: Problems and Approaches (1997)- Vogel F. and Motulsky A. G, Springer Verlag

SEMESTER-III

Paper Code: GENET- 307E

GENETICS OF MEDICINAL PLANTS

Credits: 4

Time: 3 Hours

(Soft core Elective Paper)

Max. Marks: 80

Instructions for paper setter

There will be a total of five questions. Question No. 1 will be compulsory and shall contain eight to ten short answer type questions without any internal choice and it shall cover the entire syllabus. The remaining four questions will include two questions from each unit. Candidates will be required to attempt one question from each of the four units. They will attempt five questions in all.

Unit I

History & philosophics of herbal medicine (Ayurveda, Unani), Importance and need of cultivation of medicinal and aromatic plants; Harvesting, drying, grading and storage of medicinal plants; Organic cultivation of medicinal plants; Good agricultural practices in medicinal plants.

Unit II

Active constituents and uses of important medicinal and aromatic plants: *Asparagus racemosus*, *Stevia rebaudiana*, *Aloevera*, *Withania somnifera*, *Solanum nigrum*, *Cassia angustifolia*, *Rosa damascena*, *Tagetes minuta*, *Salvadora species*, *Cassia tora*, *Cassia occidentalis*, *Boerhavia diffusa*, *Achyranthes aspera*, *Ncyctanthus arborytis*, *Balanites aegyptiaca*, *Tridax procumbens* or any other species specific to the region.

Unit III

Molecular biology of plant natural products: Genes involved in biosynthetic pathways of plants, Families of metabolic genes and their evolution (Gene families & their evolution, cytochrome, P450 genes): Expression of metabolism genes; Molecular biology tools used in natural products research; Application of molecular biology approaches to natural products.

Unit IV

Separation and purification of phytopharmaceuticals through thin layer chromatography and column chromatographic techniques; Extraction of essential oils and their evaluation for quality parameters; Natural products and plant biodiversity; Plant cell biotechnology for the production of secondary metabolites, Metabolic engineering of plant secondary metabolism; Molecular farming, Transferring genes from plants to rhizosphere microbes and vice-versa.

Suggested Reading

1. Farooqi, A.A. and B.S. Sreeramu (2001). Cultivation of Medicinal and Aromatic Crops. Universities Press (India) Ltd. 3-5-819, Hyderguda, Hyderabad 6 29.
2. Handa, S.S. and M.K. Kaul. (1987). Cultivation and Utilization of Medicinal Plants. RRL, Jammu.
3. Kumar, N., J.B. Md. Abdul Khadar, P. Rangaswamy and I. Irulappan. (1982).
4. Introduction to Spices, Plantation Crops, Medicinal and Aromatic Plants. Oxford and IBH Publishing Co. Pvt. Ltd., New Delhi.

SEMESTER-III

Paper Code: GENET- 308E

RNAi AND ITS APPLICATIONS

Credits: 4

Time: 3 Hours

(Soft core Elective paper)

Max. Marks: 80

Instructions for paper setter

There will be a total of five questions. Question No. 1 will be compulsory and shall contain eight to ten short answer type questions without any internal choice and it shall cover the entire syllabus. The remaining four questions will include two questions from each unit. Candidates will be required to attempt one question from each of the four units. They will attempt five questions in all.

Unit-I

Discovery of RNA interference, Categories of small non-coding RNAs: dsRNAs, siRNAs, shRNAs, piRNAs and miRNAs, Different components of gene silencing (Dicer, Guide RNA and RNA- induced silencing complex, Translation initiation factor, RNA dependent RNA polymerase, Transmembrane protein), Mechanism of RNA interference (Processing of dsRNA in to siRNAs, amplification of siRNAs, degradation of mRNA). Bacterial vectors for RNAi delivery.

Unit-II

Micro-RNA: Identification and biogenesis, Apoptosis-related micro-RNA, kinship of si RNA and Micro-RNA related pathways, functional classifications ,Large-scale genetic analysis using RNAi: Genome-wide RNAi screens in *C. elegans*, and other systems. , siRNA vectors, siRNA delivery *in vitro* and *in vivo*; RNAi in mammalian cells: Searching for right siRNA, getting siRNA into cells and verification for specificity.

Unit-III

RNAi to gene function: (Signal transduction, cell cycle regulation, development, cell motility, cell death, viral invasion/replication) ,RNAi interactomics and therapeutics informatics ó RNAi libraries, discovering RNAi genes and role of bioinformatics, interactomics of RNAi, database and prediction tools of miRNA, siRNA.

Unit-IV

Expression of dsRNA in animals and plants and its applications: RNAi microarrays (Loss of function genetics in mammalian cells);Recent developments and applications in agriculture, Applications of , RNAi therapy: RNAi and therapeutics,(cancer, infectious diseases, cardiovascular and cerebrovascular diseases, neurodegenerative disorder, Future of RNAi in biology and medicine.

Suggested readings:

1. The RNA World ó (2006) 3rd Eds. T Gesteland et al., CSHL Press
2. RNA Interference Technology- From Basic Science to Drug Development. Eds. Fire et. al. Cambridge University Press,
3. RNAi: A Guide to Gene Silencing (2003).-Ed. Gregory J. Hannon, CSHL Press
- 4 RNA Silencing: Methods and Protocols (2005) --Ed. Gordon G. Carmichael, CSHL Press
5. RNA Interference in Practice (2005) - Ed. Ute Schepers, Wiley-VCH GmbH & Co. KGaA.
6. Genes IX (2009) -Lewin B, Jones and Barlett Publishers

SEMESTER-III

Paper Code: GENET-309L

**LAB COURSE-VI(FOR RESPECTIVE
ELECTIVE PAPER**

Credits: 2

Time: 3 Hours

Max. Marks: 50

SEMESTER-IV

Paper Code GENET:- 401C SOCIAL, ETHICAL ISSUES IN GENETICS Credits: 4

Time: 3 Hours (Core Paper) Max. Marks: 80

Instructions for paper setter

There will be a total of nine questions. Question No. 1 will be compulsory and shall contain eight to ten short answer type questions without any internal choice and it shall cover the entire syllabus. The remaining eight questions will include two questions from each unit. Candidates will be required to attempt one question from each of the four units. They will attempt five questions in all.

Unit- I

Concept of IPR, Protection of intellectual property, World organizations, forms of protection- Copyright, Trademark; Geographical indications, trade secrets, Layout design of integrated circuits; Human genome and IPR, Issues on IPR in Public-Private partnership. Intellectual property rights and biotechnology.

Unit- II

Patent: Criteria and procedure of patenting, patenting biological material; Patent procedure in India; Patenting basmati rice in USA, revocation of turmeric and neem patent; Patenting of biological material with example and case studies. Patentability of life forms with special reference to microorganisms, pharmaceutical industries, biodiversity, naturally occurring substances. Availabilities of Patent facilitating funds, Substantive Patent Law Treaty (SPLT), Word patent, European Patent.

Unit -III

Ethical decision making, ethical dilemmas, professional ethics- professional conduct; Somatic and germ line gene therapy, clinical trials, the right to information; International ethical guidelines for biomedical research involving human subjects (CIOMS-WHO) ethics committee function; Social and ethical issues in human stem cell research. Religious considerations in stem cell therapy. Genetic discrimination, insurance and employment.

Unit -IV

Planning, Organizing, Leading & Controlling; Concepts and characteristics of information; Importance of Management Information System (MIS); Overview of reprogenetics, Consumer genetics, Personal genomics, Public health genetics, Community genetics, Regenerative medicine; Drugs & Cosmetics Act, The Patents Act, The Medical Termination of Pregnancy Act, The Preconception & Prenatal Diagnostic Techniques Act, The Transplantation of Human Organs Act, Human Cloning.

Suggested Readings:

1. Biological Diversity Act, 2002 and Biological Diversity Rules, National Biodiversity Authority, Chennai, 2004, pages 57.
2. Gautam PL and Singh AK 1998 Agrobiodiversity and Intellectual Property Rights (IPR) related issues. *Indian J. Pl. Genet. Resources* 11:129-153.
3. Khetarpal PL 2004. A critical appraisal of seed health certification and transboundary movements of seeds under WTO regime. *Indian Phytopathology* 57:408-427.
4. Plant Biotechnology, Dr. Chawla, for IPR.
5. Department of Biotechnology, Ministry of Science & Technology, Government of India, Ethical policies on Human Genome, Genetic Research and Services (www.dbtindia.nic).

Paper Code: GENET- 402C

**SEMESTER-IV
LAB DESIGN AND BIOSAFETY**

Credits: 4

Time: 3 Hours

(Core Paper)

Max. Marks: 80

Instructions for paper setter

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Unit 1

Introduction, trends, risk classification of laboratory, design & safety guidelines for biosafety level I, II, III and IV laboratories, Laboratory animal facility. Laboratory space planning; Engineering Considerations: Electrical (Emergency power, power requirements, lighting), Mechanical (Heating, Ventilating, and Air Conditioning); Plumbing, Energy Conservation in lab.; Concerns Specific To Research Facilities: Finishes, Doors and hardware, Furniture, Glassware washers and Dryers, Reagent Grade Water Systems; Preparation rooms and storage, The greenhouse and animal house; Security, Life management: Eye wash and related facilities, Fire prevention and control measures.

Unit 2

Handling & Storing of hazardous chemicals, Chemical incompatibility, Chemical Storage Locations, Material safety data sheet and its significance; Disposal of chemical waste: Restrictions, Waste containers, Labels, Storage of waste chemicals, Scheduling of waste collection, Segregation of incompatible chemical wastes; Disposal of biological waste: Sharps, culture stocks and labware, animal body parts, animal solid waste, animal liquid waste etc; Radioactive waste management

Unit 3

A Historical perspective of bio-safety; Definition, requirement, biosafety containment facilities, biohazards colour coding: **Biosafety Requirements:** Registration for the Use of Biological Materials, Human pathogens, Human Blood, Body Fluids, Tissue and Other Potentially Infectious Materials.

Lab Equipments and Precautions for using: HEPA filters, Biological Safety Cabinets (BSCs), Use & care of pipettes, pipetteguards, syringes and needles, Centrifuges, Oven, Incubators, Sonicators, and Cell Disruption Equipment, Microtome/cryostat, Microincinerators, Miscellaneous Equipment (Waterbaths, Cold Storage, Shakers); Lab animals; Decontamination and Disposal Procedures; Transportation of Infectious Substances.

Unit 4

Risk Assessment and Risk Management; Routes of Exposures, Exposure incidents and their types; Emergency Procedures for Exposure Incidents, Emergency procedure for fire & chemical exposure, safety check list.

Medical Surveillance Program and their significance: Tuberculosis (TB) Screening and Immunizations; Medical Restrictions: Pregnancy, Reproductive Biological Hazards, Other Restrictions; Objectives of Housekeeping in laboratory; Bio-safety levels for different infectious agents and infected food/animals, routes of transmission & protection measures; Laboratory Practices for different biosafety levels, Biosafety training programs.

Suggested Readings:

1. **Biosafety in Microbiological and Biomedical Laboratories** 5th edition by U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Public Health Service, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, National Institutes of Health
2. **Biological Safety Manual** by Yale University
3. **RESEARCH LABORATORY Design Guide** by Department of Veterans Affairs, United States of America
4. **Laboratory Safety Manual** of the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill
5. **WHO (2003)- Laboratory biosafety manual** WHO, Geneva.

SEMESTER-IV

Paper Code: GENET- 403D

DISSERTATION*/PROJECT WORK

Credits: 20

Time: 6 Hours

(Core Paper)

Max. Marks: 300

***M.Sc. Dissertation rules**

Distribution/Allotment of Students to be done at department level in the 3rd semester

The dissertation to be innovative work based on small piece of research with duration in 4th semester.

Scheme of chapters of dissertation is as follows-

Acknowledgement

Certificate by candidate & countersigned by allotted Supervisor

- i) Introduction with objectives
- ii) Review of literature (Brief)
- iii) Material & Methods
- iv) Results
- v) Discussion
- vi) Summary
- vii) Bibliography

Pattern of References/typing/figures as per Ph.D. Thesis. Last date of submission will be 30th June. Evaluation of dissertation will be done by external examiner from panel approved by PGBOS and internal examiner. Final marks will be mean of internal + external.

The written part of dissertation report shall account for 250 of marks and the viva-voce will be conducted by a duly constituted Board of Examiners for the remaining 50 of marks.

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