

POOL OF DISCIPLINE SPECIFIC ELECTIVES

DISCIPLINE SPECIFIC ELECTIVE COURSE – (DSE-2) BIOCHEMICAL APPLICATIONS IN FORENSIC SCIENCES

CREDIT DISTRIBUTION, ELIGIBILITY AND PRE-REQUISITES OF THE COURSE

Course title & Code	Credits	Credit distribution of the course			Eligibility criteria	Pre-requisite of the course (if any)
		Lecture	Tutorial	Practical/ Practice		
Biochemical Applications in Forensic Sciences (BCH-DSE-2)	04	02	0	02	Class XII with Science and Biology	NIL

Learning Objectives

The course aims to provide an understanding of the applications of biochemistry in forensic sciences through analysis of evidence, which will help students develop analytical and problem-solving skills for real life situations. With a background of the DSC of Biochemistry, the students get an insight into a major area of application of Modern Biology. The course will keep abreast with all recent developments and emerging trends in forensic science like DNA fingerprinting, brain mapping and facial reconstruction; thus, helping interested students take up forensic science as a future course of study.

Learning outcomes

On successful completion of the course students will be able to:

1. Explain the fundamental concepts and principles of forensic science and their significance.
2. Demonstrate forensic investigation, preservation of evidences, as well as chemical, physical and biological analysis of biological samples
3. Establish the age, sex and identity of an individual of an individual by document evaluation, fingerprints, footprints and DNA analysis.
4. Analyze samples for drug testing, ink and stain testing and document and handwriting verification.
5. Perform Narco Analysis, polygraphy, lie detection and facial reconstruction.

SYLLABUS OF DSE-2

BCH-DSE-2 : BIOCHEMICAL APPLICATIONS IN FORENSIC SCIENCES Semester – V

2.2 Course Contents

Theory (Credits – 2)

Total Hours : 30

Unit I: Introduction to forensic science and application of biological sciences to forensic investigation (10 Hours)

History and Development of Forensic Science, Biochemical analysis of various biological evidences: blood, semen, viscera, bite marks, and hair. Establishment of identity of individuals: fingerprints, footprints, blood and DNA. Anthropology – skeletal remains, Odontology. Time of death - rigor mortis, liver mortis, algor mortis, forensic entomology. Biochemical basis for determination of cause of death. case studies

Unit II: Application of chemical sciences to forensic investigation (6 Hours)

Detection of drugs of abuse and narcotics in biological samples, Toxicological examination of viscera, detection of petroleum products and food adulteration. Analysis of inks and their use in questioned document identification. Blood spatter analysis, Case studies

Unit III: DNA Fingerprinting (6 Hours)

Introduction to DNA-and source of DNA in Forensic case work, Techniques of DNA fingerprinting-RFLP, STR, PCR, DNA fingerprinting in paternity disputes, mass disaster and other forensic case work, studying kinship by DNA profiling: Related individuals have similar DNA profiles, DNA profiling and the remains of the Romanovs. Sex identification by DNA analysis: PCRs directed at Y chromosome-specific sequences, Amelogenin gene typing. Case studies

Unit IV: Recent advances in forensics (8 Hours)

Narco analysis: theory, forensic significance, future prospect, *Brain mapping*: introduction, EEG, P-3000 wave, forensic applications, limitation of technique, *Polygraph*: Principle and technique, polygraph as forensic investigative tool, use of psychoactive drugs in forensic analysis. NHRC guidelines for polygraph test. *Facial reconstruction*: Method and technique, facial reconstruction in forensic identification, Case studies.

2.3 Practicals

Credit: 2

Total Hours : 60

1. Definition, Identification and Mapping of Crime scene
2. Collection, Preservation, Packaging, and Labeling of biological evidence for their forensic investigation.
3. Preliminary and Confirmatory test for blood/semen/saliva

4. Examination of Micro Evidences: fiber, hair, pollen and soil
5. Fingerprint development from various surfaces and their microscopic and chemical examination
6. Handwriting identification based on class characteristic and individual characteristics
7. Identification of dyes, drugs and ink by TLC
8. Blood spatter analysis
9. DNA Fingerprinting: Sex determination through Y specific STRs and Maternal lineage identification through mitochondrial DNA comparisons.
10. Field trip to a forensic laboratory

2.4 Essential readings:

- James, S.H., Nordby, J.J. & Bell, S. (2014). *Forensic Science: An Introduction to Scientific and Investigative Techniques, Fourth Edition*: Taylor & Francis. ISBN 9781439853832
- Jones, P., & Williams, R.E. (2009). *Crime Scene Processing and Laboratory Workbook First Edition*: CRC Press. ISBN 9780429249976
- Saferstein, R. (2018). *Criminalistics: An Introduction to Forensic Science, Twelveth edition*: Pearson Education. ISBN 10:0134477596, ISBN 13: 9780134477596
- Veeraraghavan, V. (2009). *Handbook of Forensic Psychology, First Edition*: Selective & Scientific Books, ISBN 13: 9788189128166.

Suggested readings:

- Lee, H., Palmbach, T. & Miller, M. (2001). *Henry Lee's crime scene handbook, First Edition*: Academic Press ISBN 9780080507989
- Parikh, C.K. (2016). *Parikh's textbook of medical jurisprudence, forensic medicine and toxicology: for classrooms and courtrooms, Seventh Edition*: CBS Publishers and Distributors. ISBN 9788123926469

3. Keywords

Forensic biology; blood spatter analysis; toxicology; narco-analysis; DNA fingerprinting; polygraph; odontology; forensic entomology.

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**DISCIPLINE SPECIFIC ELECTIVE COURSE – (DSE-3)
MICROBIOLOGY**

**CREDIT DISTRIBUTION, ELIGIBILITY AND PRE-REQUISITES OF THE
COURSE**

Course title & Code	Credits	Credit distribution of the course			Eligibility criteria	Pre-requisite of the course (if any)
		Lecture	Tutorial	Practical/ Practice		
Microbiology (BCH-DSE-3)	04	02	0	02	Class XII with Science and Biology	XIIth pass with biology

Learning Objectives

The course aims to trace the history of development of the discipline of Microbiology and to emphasize the existence of the immense diversity in the microbial world and maintenance of microbes under laboratory conditions. Through this course students will be introduced to the concept of different modes of gene transfer in bacteria. Further, students will be made aware about the applications of microorganisms in food and industry.

Learning outcomes

On successful completion of the course students will be able to:

1. Identify different types of microbes
2. Perform routine microbiological practices including sterilisation, media preparation, maintenance of microbial culture, microbial growth etc.
3. Plan basic research using microbes
4. Discuss the varied applications of microbes.

SYLLABUS OF DSE-3

**BCH-DSE-3 : MICROBIOLOGY
Semester – V**

2.2 Course Contents

Theory (Credits – 2)

**Total Hours : 30
(8 Hours)**

Unit I: History and Diversity of Microbial world

Spontaneous generation versus biogenesis, contributions of Anton von Leeuwenhoek, Joseph Lister, Paul Ehrlich, Richard Petri, Charles Chamberland, Edward Jenner, Louis Pasteur,

Robert Koch, Martinus W. Beijerinck, Sergei Winogradsky, Alexander Fleming, Elie Metchnikoff and Emil von Behring. General characteristics of different groups: Acellular microorganisms (Viruses, Viroids, Prions) and Cellular microorganisms (Bacteria, Archaea, Algae, Fungi and Protozoa. Cell-wall: Composition and detailed structure of Gram positive and Gram-negative cell walls, mechanism of Gram staining

Unit II: Microbial Nutrition, Growth and Control (6 Hours)

Nutritional types of microorganisms, growth factors, culture media- synthetic and complex, types of media; isolation of pure cultures, growth curves, mean growth rate constant, generation time; influence of environmental factors on growth of microbes: effect of pH, temperature, solute, oxygen concentration, pressure and radiations. Sterilization, disinfection and antiseptics.

Unit III: Microbial Genetics (6 Hours)

Conjugation, Transformation and Transduction. Gene mapping in Bacteria

Unit IV: Application of Microbes (10 Hours)

Basic design of fermenter, continuous and discontinuous culture. Preparation of fermented food products such as curd and cheese. Preparation of alcoholic beverages like wine and beer. Treatment of waste-water (Municipal treatment plant) and sewage. Bioremediation and biodegradation. Human microbiome: Role in health and disease. Soil Microbiome: Role in plant health

2.3 Practical:

Credits: 2

Total Hours : 60

1. To prepare and sterilise the culture media for the growth of microorganisms
2. To perform various culture transfer techniques: Solid to solid (streaking), liquid to solid (spreading), liquid to liquid, solid to liquid and determine CFU/ml
3. To study growth curve of bacteria
4. To study the effect of pH/temperature on the growth of bacteria
5. To perform gram staining
6. To determine the effect of antibiotics using disc diffusion test
7. Study of different shapes of bacteria, fungi, algae, protozoa using permanent slides/pictographs

2.4 Essential readings:

1. Willey, J., Sherwood, L., Woolverton, C. (2017). Prescott's Microbiology (10th ed.). McGraw Hill international. ISBN 13: 9781259657573.
2. Chan, M. J., Krieg E. C. S., Pelczar, N. R. (2004) Microbiology (5th ed.). McGraw Hill International. ISBN 13: 9780094623206.
3. Pierce, B.A. (2012) Genetics - A Conceptual Approach, (6th ed.), W.H. Freeman & Co. (New York), ISBN:13:978-1-4292-7606-1 / ISBN:10:1-4292-7606-1
4. Cappuccin, and Sherman N., Microbiology: A Laboratory manual (10th ed.). Benjamin/Cummings. ISBN 10 J. G.3: 9780321840226. 86

Suggested readings:

1. Madigan, M. T., Martinko J. M., & Stahl D. A., (2010) Brock Biology of Microorganisms (13th ed.). Pearson Education International. ISBN 13: 9780321649638.
2. Snustad, D.P. and Simmons, M.J. (2012) Genetics (6th ed.), John Wiley & Sons. (Singapore), ISBN: 978-1-118-09242-2

3. Keywords

Microbiological Techniques, Media, Sterilization, Growth curve

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**DISCIPLINE SPECIFIC ELECTIVE COURSE – (DSE-6)
IN-SILICO TOOLS IN PROTEOMICS AND GENOMICS**

CREDIT DISTRIBUTION, ELIGIBILITY AND PRE-REQUISITES OF THE COURSE

Course title & Code	Credits	Credit distribution of the course			Eligibility criteria	Pre-requisite of the course (if any)
		Lecture	Tutorial	Practical/ Practice		
In-silico Tools in Proteomics and Genomics (BCH-DSE-6)	04	02	0	02	Class XII with Science and Biology	Basic courses allied to Biological sciences

Learning Objectives

The objective of this course is to impart basic understanding of computational biology with a broader knowledge of genomics and proteomics. In silico tools used in the study of genomes and proteins will be emphasized. The course presents an overview of theoretical knowledge, and practical methods for characterization of functional elements in DNA and Protein data. Students will be trained in the basic theory and application of programs used for database searching, protein and DNA sequence analysis, genome analysis, prediction of protein structures and protein-protein interactions.

Learning outcomes

On successful completion of the course students will be able to:

1. Discuss the basics of bioinformatics and computational biology
2. Describe the use of several softwares/tools in omics biology.
3. Discuss, access and use biological databases in the public domain.
4. Explain protein structure using visualization softwares.
5. Perform sequence alignments
6. Discuss the fundamental aspects of *in-silico* protein structure prediction.
7. Explain the applications of bioinformatics from genomes to personalized medicine.
8. Describe the concept of drug designing using a bioinformatic approach.

SYLLABUS OF DSE-6

BCH-DSE-6 : In-silico Tools in Proteomics and Genomics Semester – V

2.2 Course Contents

Theory

Credits: 2

(30 Hours)

Unit I: Introduction to omics biology

No. of hours: 4

History of omics biology, introduction to central dogma, Scope of bioinformatics, Tools and databases (sequence alignment, BLAST, NCBI and PDB databases)

Unit II: Genomics

No. of hours: 9

Introduction to Genomics, Structure and Organization of Prokaryotic and Eukaryotic Gene. Genome Sequencing, Human Genome Project, Genome Browsers, Gene annotation, Gene Identification and Sequence analysis

Unit III: Protein structure prediction and proteomics

No. of hours: 9

Introduction to proteomics, 2D gel Electrophoresis, Mass spectroscopy, computational prediction of protein 2D and 3D structure - Homology Modeling, Fold Recognition and *ab-intio* methods, protein - protein interactions (yeast two hybrid system, pull down assay), Protein Disordered Regions

Unit IV: Applications of genomics and proteomics

No. of hours: 8

Functional Genomics, Comparative genomics, Proteomics in Drug discovery, Protein-Drug interaction studies, Computer Aided Drug Discovery (CADD). Role of genomics and proteomics in Diagnostics and Therapeutics. Role of AI in genomics and proteomics.

2.3 Practical:

Credits: 2

(60 Hours)

1. Sequence retrieval (protein and gene) from NCBI.
2. Sequence Analysis - BLAST suite of tools for pairwise alignment.
3. Gene Prediction Tools (Genscan/Glimmer)
4. Structure download (protein and DNA) from PDB & Molecular view by visualization Software (Pymol/Rasmol)
5. Protein Secondary Structure Prediction Tools (GORR)
6. Protein Tertiary Structure Prediction (Homology Modelling/SWISS Model)
7. Protein -Protein Interaction Databases (STRING)
8. Protein-Ligand Docking and Interaction studies (CADD)

2.4 Essential readings:

1. David M. (2004). *Bioinformatics: Sequence and Genome Analysis*. Cold Spring Harbor Laboratory Press; ISBN 978-087969712-9.
2. Pevsner, J. (2003). *Bioinformatics and Functional Genomics* (1st ed.), John Wiley & Sons, Inc. (New Jersey); ISBN: 0-47121004-8.
3. Baxevanis A.D. and Ouellette Francis B.F. (2005), *Bioinformatics: A Practical Guide to the Analysis of Genes and Proteins* (3rd ed.), John Wiley & Sons, Inc. (New Jersey), ISBN: 0-47147878-4.
4. Ghosh, Z. and Mallick, B., (2008) *Bioinformatics – Principles and Applications*, (1st ed.) Oxford University Press (India), ISBN: 9780195692303.
5. *Introduction to Proteomics – Tools for the new biology* (1st Ed.) by Liebler, D.C., Humana Press Inc., New Jersey, USA. 2002.

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