

SRI VENKATESWARA UNIVERSITY - TIRUPATI

MINOR

SUBJECT: MICROBIOLOGY

W.E.F. AY 2023-2024

SEMESTER - II

COURSE 1: - INTRODUCTION TO MICROBIOLOGY

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I. Course Outcomes:

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

1. Understand the historical significance of microbiology and the contributions of key Scientists.
2. Recognize the classification of microorganisms and their place in the living world.
3. Comprehend the scope and applications of microbiology, including the origin of microbial life and the distinction between eukaryotic and prokaryotic cells.
4. Describe the characteristics of bacteria, archaea, fungi, algae, and protozoa.
5. Describe viruses, including their nature, composition, and diversity in structure.
6. Develop practical skills in aseptic techniques, growth media preparation, isolation methods, and the identification of bacteria and fungi.

Unit - 1: History of Microbiology

No. of Hours: 10

1. Discovery of Microscope and microbial world by Anton von Leeuwenhoek; Aseptic techniques with reference to Charak Samhita, Sushruta Samhita and Ignaz Philipp Semmelweis
2. Golden era of Microbiology- Refutation of abiogenesis; Germ theory of Disease; Discovery of vaccination; Discovery of penicillin
3. Major contributions of Scientists: Edward Jenner, Louis Pasteur, Robert Koch, Joseph Lister, Ivanowsky, Martinus Beijerinck and Sergei Winogradsky

Unit - 2: Place of Microorganisms in the living world

No. of Hours:10

1. Haeckel's three Kingdom concept, Whittaker's five kingdom concept, three domain concept of Carl Woese
2. Definition and scope of Microbiology; Applications of Microbiology; Diverse groups of Microorganisms
3. Origin of microbial life on earth- Timeline, Miller's Experiment, endosymbiosis (cyanobacteria), distinguishing features of eukaryotic and prokaryotic cell

Unit - 3: Prokaryotic microorganisms and Viruses**No. of Hours:10**

1. General characteristics of Bacteria (Morphology, metabolic diversity and reproduction)
2. General characteristics of Archaea differentiating them from Bacteria.
3. General characteristics of viruses (Nature, composition, size, host specificity, diversity in structure)

Unit - 4: Eukaryotic microorganisms**No. of Hours: 10**

1. Fungi - Habitat, nutrition, vegetative structure and modes of reproduction;
2. Algae- Habitat, thallus organization, photosynthetic pigments, storage forms of food, reproduction.
3. Protozoa–Habitat, cell structure, nutrition, locomotion, excretion, reproduction, encystment.

**Unit - 5: Growing Microbes in Lab: Five I's
Hours:05****No. of**

1. Inoculation-Aseptic methods of introducing inoculum to growth media; Composition of basic growth media, solid and liquid
2. Incubation and Isolation- Ambient temperature for growth of microorganisms; Concept of Pure culture, mixed culture and contaminated culture
3. Inspection and Identification - Observation of colour, size and shape of colonies; Wet mount and simple staining of bacteria and fungi

III. Skill Outcomes:

1. Implement safety protocols, handling hazardous materials, and practicing personal protective measures.
2. Identify microscope parts, adjusting focus and diaphragm, and accurately observing and documenting microscopic images.
3. Prepare smears, identifying different microorganisms, and interpreting microscopic characteristics.
4. Analyze electron micrographs, identifying virus types, and describing their morphology and size.
5. Operate Autoclave, Hot Air Oven, and Laminar Air Flow Chamber for sterilization and decontamination purposes.

II SEMESTER
COURSE 1: - INTRODUCTION TO MICROBIOLOGY

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1. Good Laboratory Practices and Biosafety
2. Compound Light microscope -Parts and its handling
3. Microscopic observation of bacteria, Algae and Fungi and protozoa
4. Observation of electron micrographs of viruses (Lambda, T4, TMV, HIV, SARS CoV-2, Polio)
5. Laboratory equipment -Working principles of Autoclave, Hot air oven, Laminar airflow chamber

IV. References:

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3. Prescott, M.J., Harley, J.P. and Klein, D.A. (2012). Microbiology. 5th Edition, WCB McGraw Hill, New York.
4. Reddy, S.M. and Reddy, S.R. (1998). Microbiology Practical Manual, 3rd Edition, Sri Padmavathi Publications, Hyderabad.
5. Singh, R.P. (2007). General Microbiology. Kalyani Publishers, New Delhi.
6. Stanier, R.Y., Adelberg, E.A. and Ingram, J.L. (1991). General Microbiology, 5th Ed., Prentice Hall of India Pvt. Ltd., New Delhi.
7. Jaya Babu (2006). Practical Manual on Microbial Metabolisms and General Microbiology. Kalyani Publishers, New Delhi.
8. Gopal Reddy et al., Laboratory Experiments in Microbiology

V. Co-Curricular Activities:

1. Establish a Microbiology Club where students can come together to discuss and explore various topics related to microbiology.
2. Organizing microbiology-themed events like microbiology day
3. Poster presentations, oral presentations, and Q&A sessions.
4. Field Trips to Microbiology-related Sites
5. Establish a Microbiology Journal Club where students can review and discuss scientific articles related to microbiology