

Gondwana University Gadchiroli

Faculty of Science

***Syllabus* B. Sc. III**

BIOCHEMISTRY

SEMESTER VI

(with effect from academic session 2014-15)

B.Sc. Part III
Semester V and VI
BIOCHEMISTRY

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- 1) There shall be two semesters in B.Sc. Part III Biochemistry.
- 2) Each semester comprise of two theory papers, internal assessment and practical.
- 3) Each theory paper divided into four units.
- 4) The syllabus is based on six theory periods and six practical periods per batch per week.
- 5) Students are expected to perform all the practicals mentioned in the syllabus. However a minimum of seven practicals in each semester is mandatory.
- 6) Each theory paper examination shall be of three hours duration, comprise 5 questions and carry 50 marks. The practical examination shall be of 6 hours duration and carry 30 marks.
- 7) At the beginning of each semester, every teacher / department / college shall inform his / her students unambiguously the method teacher / department / college propose to adopt a scheme of marking for internal assessment.
- 8) The internal assessment marks assigned to each theory paper shall be awarded on the basis of attendance / home assignment / class test / Project assignment / seminar /study tour/ any other innovative practice / activity.
- 9) The B.Sc. students of Biochemistry shall pay at least one visit to any Biochemical/Research Institute as a study tour during three year (six semesters) degree course.

Sr No	Semester	Paper No.	Title of Paper	Total periods/ Week	Max.Marks		Total Marks
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1	V	I	METABOLISM I	03	50	10	60
		II	MOLECULAR BIOLOGY	03	50	10	60
			PRACTICAL	6	30		30

2	VI	I	METABOLISM II	03	50	10	60
		II	MOLECULAR BIOLOGY & rDNA TECHNOLOGY	03	50	10	60
			PRACTICAL	6	30		30

The Syllabus is based on six (3x2) theory periods and six practical periods per batch per week.

Marks Distribution:

1. Theory Exam : 50 Marks (for each paper)
2. Internal Assessment : 10 Marks (for each paper)
3. Practical : 30 Marks

Distribution of Marks in practical Examination:

1. Experimental work - 20 marks
2. Practical record - 05 marks
3. Viva - 05 marks

Study tour:

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PAPER – I
METABOLISM II

UNIT – I:

Lipid metabolism: -

- a) Hydrolysis of triacylglycerols, transport of fatty acids into mitochondria (Carnitine), Detailed account of β -oxidation of fatty acids (β -oxidation in mitochondria and peroxisomes), Oxidation of unsaturated fatty acids & odd carbon fatty acids. and Oxidation- Brief idea. ATP yield from fatty acid oxidation. Regulation.
- b) Detailed account of HMP Shunt & its significance in general, its connection to lipid metabolism.

UNIT – II:

Lipid metabolism: -

- a) Ketogenesis, Ketosis & ketoacidosis in physiology & pathology.
- b) Biosynthesis of fatty acids, Fatty acid synthase complex, Regulation, Microsomal & Mitochondrial system of chain elongation & synthesis of unsaturated fatty acids.
- c) Biosynthesis of triglycerides & phospholipids (Phosphatidyl-ethanolamine, choline, inositol), sphingolipids.

UNIT – III:

Protein metabolism: -

- a) Transamination.
- b) Oxidative & Non-oxidative deamination.
- c) Transport of ammonia (Carrier of ammonia – Glutamine, Alanine).
- d) Urea cycle – Detailed account, Linkage of urea & TCA cycle, Compartmentation of urea cycle, Regulation, Metabolic disorders of Urea cycle, Treatment of disorder of urea cycle.
- e) Transmethylation & Decarboxylation.
- f) Metabolism of phenylalanine. Glycogenic and ketogenic amino acids.

UNIT IV

Nucleic acid metabolism: -

- a) Biosynthesis of purine nucleotides & its regulation (De novo synthesis), Recycling of purine bases by salvage pathway using PRPP.
- b) Catabolism of purine nucleotides, Gout.
- c) Biosynthesis of pyrimidine nucleotides – De novo synthesis, its regulation & Salvage synthesis.
- d) Catabolism of pyridimine nucleotides.
- e) Ribonucleotides as precursors of deoxiribonucleotides (Ribonucleotide reductase & its regulation)
- f) Concept of cyclic nucleotides in metabolism, cAMP.

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PAPER – II

MOLECULAR BIOLOGY & rDNA TECHNOLOGY

UNIT –I:

Genetic Code & Decoding System: -

- a. **The Genetic Code:** Features of genetic code, Deciphering the genetic code, Wobble hypothesis,
- b. **The decoding system:** - i) Aminoacyl synthetases, ii) Brief structure of t-RNA, iii) Attachment of amino acid to t-RNA, iv) Error correction in amino acylation.
- c. Selection of initiation codon – (Shine-Dalgarno sequence).

UNIT II

Translation:

Protein synthesis- Initiation, Elongation & Termination (Ribosome structure, A and P sites, charged tRNA, fmet tRNA, initiator codon, formation of 70S initiation complex, role of EF-Tu, EF-Ts, EF-G, and GTP. Release factors RF1 and RF2.

Post - translational modification of protein – Loss of signal sequence, Proteolytic processing, Attachment of carbohydrate side chains.

UNIT –III:

Basic Introduction to rDNA Technology

- a. **Terminology:** rDNA, Vector, Host, DNA cloning, Genetic engineering.
- b. **Restriction endonucleases:** Restriction-modification system, types of restriction enzymes, sticky and blunt ends.
- c. **Joining DNA molecules:** joining blunt ended molecules, homopolymer tail joining, joining cohesive ends, use of T4 DNA ligase, use of linkers and adaptors.

- d. **Vectors:** Plasmids – Characteristics of an Ideal Vector, Types of plasmids: pBR322 and pUC18. Lambda insertion and replacement vectors, cosmids, phagemids, Ti-plasmid. Concept of expression vectors. Features of expression vectors necessary for expression of heterologous genes. Shuttle vectors.

UNIT –IV:

Basic Introduction to rDNA Technology

- a) **Methods of transformation/transfection:** Calcium-phosphate precipitation, Electroporation,
- b) **Selection:** selection by the use of antibiotic resistance, blue-white screening.
- c) **Screening methods:** functional cloning or complementation, southern and northern blotting, western blotting, immunological methods, screening through protein activity.
- d) **Genomic and cDNA libraries:** Method of generating genomic and cDNA library, comparison between the two types of libraries, Advantages and disadvantages of cDNA library.
- e) **Polymerase chain reaction:** Detailed procedure of PCR, important considerations for primer designing, Salient applications of PCR.
- f) **Applications of recombinant DNA technology:** Brief idea about recombinant DNA products in medicine (insulin, hGH), Recombinant vaccines, Gene therapy, DNA fingerprinting, Bt cotton, herbicide resistance.
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PRACTICALS

- 1) Estimation of serum urea by diacetyl monoxime method.
- 2) Assay of activity of SGOT & SGPT.
- 3) Assay of activity of serum acid & alkaline phosphatase.
- 4) Inhibition of alkaline phosphatase activity by EDTA.
- 5) Assay of activity of papain.
- 6) Determination of serum phospholipids.
- 7) Determination of serum lipase.
- 8) Determination of serum isocitrate dehydrogenase.
- 9) Estimation of lipase by titrimetric method.
- 10) Demonstration of isolation of plasmid by alkaline lysis method.
- 11) Demonstration of isolation of genomic DNA.
- 12) Demonstration of Southern / western blotting.
- 13) Demonstration of replica plating technique.
- 14) Demonstration of restriction digestion
- 15) Identification of Lac⁺ bacteria by blue white screening using IPTG
- 16) Determination of uric acid in urine
- 17) Determination of ketone bodies in urine
- 18) Determination of urinary ammonia

(Mandatory to perform at least seven practical)

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Semester VI

BOOKS FOR REFERENCE

- 1) Harper's Biochemistry – Murray, Granner, Mayes, Rodwell – Prentice Hall International Inc.
 - 2) Biochemistry – Lehninger – CBS Publishers.
 - 3) Biochemistry – Stryer – W. H. Freeman & Co. New York.
 - 4) Biochemistry – Geoffrey L. Zubay – McGraw Hill.
 - 5) Biochemistry – J. David Rawn – Neil Patterson publs. NC.
 - 6) Textbook of Biochemistry– West, Todd, Mason, Bruggen – Amerind Publishing Co. Pvt. Ltd.
 - 7) Mol Bio (Fundamentals of molecular biology) – Upadhyay & Upadhyay, Himalaya Publishing House.
 - 8) Molecular Biology – David Friefelder – Narosa Publishing House, New Delhi.
 - 9) Cell Biology, Genetics, Molecular Biology, Evolution & Ecology – Verma, Agarwal – S. Chand & Co.
 - 10) Molecular & Cell Biology – Bhamrah – Anmol Publ. Pvt. Ltd., New Delhi.
 - 11) Molecular Biology of the Cell – Alberts, Bray, Lewis, Raff, Roberts, Watson – Garland Publishers, New York.
 - 12) Molecular Biology of the gene – J. D. Watson, NH Hopkins, Roberts, Stertz, Weiner- Freeman.
 - 13) Concepts in Biotechnology – Editors- Balasubramanian, Bryee, Dharmalingam, Green, Jayraman – Sangam Books.
 - 14) Molecular Biology of the Gene – Watson, Hopkins, Roberts, Steitz, Weiner – Benjamin Cummings Publishing Co.
 - 15) Molecular Cell Biology – Baltimore, Zipursky, Matsudaria, Darnel – W. H. Freeman & Co., New York.
 - 16) Outlines of Biochemistry – Conn & Stumpf.
 - 17) Principles of Biochemistry – White, Handler, Smith – McGraw Hill Publ.
 - 18) Cell & Molecular Biology – Phillip Sheller – Wiley Publ.
 - 19) Introduction to Modern Biochemistry – Karlson – Academic Press.
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