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Paper VII: Animal cell science Technology & IPR

Basic understanding for cell culture: Structure and organization of animal cell, Cell physiology. Primary and established cell line cultures. Biology and characterization of the cultured cells and measuring their growth.

Tools and Culture Media: Equipments and materials for animal cell culture technology. Introduction to the balance salt solutions and simple growth medium. Brief account on the chemical, physical and metabolic functions of different constituents of culture medium. Role of carbon dioxide. Role of serum and supplements, Serum & protein free defined media and their application.

Techniques of cell culture: Basic techniques of mammalian cell culture *in vitro*; disaggregation of tissue and primary culture; maintenance of cell culture; cell separation. Scaling-up of animal cell culture, measurement of viability and cytotoxicity. Cell synchronization. Cell cloning, micromanipulation and types of cloning. Stem cell culture, embryonic stem cells and their applications. Measurement of cell death. Apoptosis. Three dimensional culture and tissue engineering.

Mammalian Cell transformation : Establishment of Immortal cell lines, transfection, selection by selectable markers, gene amplification for high level protein expression. Specialized methods to transfer difficult cell types; Uses of viral vectors, Vaccinia and Baculovirus and Retrovirus in gene transfer; and use of antisense RNA and DNA in controlling gene function. Mice as the experimental material for gene introduction.

Impact of Recombinant DNA on human Genetics: Mapping and cloning human disease genes- positional cloning, subchromosomal mapping and markers, in situ hybridization to chromosomes and RFLP.

Applications of Animal cell and Recombinant DNA technology: Cell culture based vaccines, somatic cell genetics. Organ and histotypic cultures. Development of Transgenic animals (Mice, cattle, Sheep, Goat, Pigs, Birds and Fish) and their uses. DNA- based diagnosis of genetic diseases; human somatic cell gene therapy for single-gene disorders.

Intellectual property rights: Meaning, Evolution- classification and forms. Importance of IPR's in the field of science and technology. Patents- concepts and principles of patenting, patentable subject matter. Procedure of obtaining patents, rights of patents, infringement of patent rights, remedies for infringement of patent rights- patentability and emerging issues.

Prescribed Laboratory Exercises:

1. Preparation of tissue culture medium and membrane filtration.
2. Preparation of single cell suspension from spleen and thymus.
3. Cell counting and cell viability.
4. Macrophage monolayer from PEC, and measurement of pathogenicity activity.

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5. Trypsinization of monolayer and subculturing.
6. Cryopreservation and thawing.
7. Measurement of doubling time.
8. Role of serum in cell culture.
9. Preparation metaphase chromosome from cultured cells.
10. Isolation of and demonstration of apoptosis of DNA laddering.
11. MTT assay for cell viability and growth.
12. Cell fusion with PEG.
13. Any other practical based on theory syllabus

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Paper VIII : Plant Biotechnology

Issue culture: Principles, Concept, History of development of plant tissue culture. Concept of PTC laboratory facilities, operation and management, General methodology: Different media and their nutritional components, media preparation and sterilisation techniques. Inoculation and preparation of explants. Histological techniques for plant tissue quality preservation and slow growth for germ plasm preservation.

Issue culture technology: Shoot morphogenesis and organogenesis, rooting, hardening and transfer: Micropropagation, production of virus free plants, callus and suspension cultures, cell culture. Ovary, anther and microspore culture for production of haploid plants, somatic embryogenesis, synthetic seeds and its cryopreservation. Plant tissue culture as a technique to produce

novel plants, somaclonal variations. Overview of Plant Tissue Culture Applications.

Protoplast technology: Protoplast isolation, purification, viability tests, plating efficiency, culture, Somatic cell hybridization, selection of hybrid, cybrids and their regeneration.

Plant transformation (Recombinant DNA) technology: Tools and techniques, Vectors for plant transformation (Viral and Bacterial), Basic molecular characteristics of *Agrobacterium*, Basis of tumor and hairy-root formation; Characteristic features of vectors (Co-integrative and binary vectors, Ti, Ri plasmids, 35S and other promoters and terminators, selectable markers, reporter genes, origin of replication etc.).

Agrobacterium-mediated plant transformation: Cloning of selected gene, its integration into *Agrobacterium*. *Agrobacterium*-mediated gene transfer - mechanism of T-DNA transfer and its integration into plant genome, role of virulence genes, selection of transformed cells/tissues, expression of the integrated gene in plants. Multiple gene transfer. Practical applications of *Agrobacterium*-mediated gene transfer.

Methods of Direct gene transfer and Storage: Particle bombardment, electroporation and micro injection. Transgenic gene incorporation, stability and expression; gene silencing. Cryopreservation and Gene banks.

Plant Breeding: Brief idea about conventional Plant Breeding Methods- Character identification, incorporation (hybridization), selection and release of variety; Role of

Molecular markers: RFLP, RAPD, STS, SCAR, SSCP, AFLP in plant breeding applications. Green house and green-home technology.

Transgenic approaches to crop improvement: Resistant against biotic (virus, fungi, bacteria, nematode, insect, weed) and abiotic stress (salinity, drought, herbicide, cold, metals), longer shelf life. Improvement of crop yield and quality - golden rice and other developments. Extension of flower life, pigmentation and fragrance.

Manufacture of valuable products: Industrial applications of plant cell culture; Plant cell culture and biosynthesis of secondary products; Manufacture of - antigens, antibodies, edible vaccines, enzymes, proteins.

Suggested Laboratory Exercises:

1. Preparation of Stock solutions for MS medium.
2. Preparation of medium.
3. Micro propagation technique
4. Surface sterilization and Organ culture.
5. Callus Induction, propagation, and differentiation
6. Organogenesis- Shoot and root formation and their organic connection.
7. Hardening and transfer of plants to soil.
8. Study of somatic embryogenesis.
9. Anther culture, production of Haploids.
10. Ovary culture

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11. Somatic embryogenesis using appropriate explants and Preparation of synthetic seeds
12. Protoplast isolation and culture.
13. Demonstration of protoplast fusion employing PEG.
14. Cytological examination of regenerated plants.
15. Isolation & Identification of Sec. metabolite from Plant Cell Cultures.
16. Agrobacterium culture, selection of transformants, reporter gene(GUS) assays.
17. Any other practical based on theory syllabus

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1. Bhojwani, S.S. and Razdan, M.K. (1996). Plant Tissue Culture : Theory and Practice (a revised edition). Elsevier Science Publishers, New York. USA.
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21. Gupta, PK. (2010). Plant biotechnology, Rastogi Pub. Meerut.
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Paper IX: Industrial Biotechnology and Bioprocess Engineering

Selection of Industrial microorganisms: industrial cultures- bacteria, algae, fungi and actinomycetes. Primary and secondary screening, Isolation, maintenance and preservation, microbial growth and death kinetics of industrial microorganisms. Strain development- mutation, selection and recombination. Immobilisation of microbial cells and their application.

Microorganisms In Agricultural biosafety: Biofertilizers and their application, biopesticide in disease management; Rhizobacteria for plant growth promotion and disease management including parasitic nematodes; Bacteria and soil fungi in plant disease management.

Fermentation process: Fermentor systems- types; Fermentation process and factors affecting fermentation process. Commercial fermentation: Design- overview of aerobic and anaerobic fermentation process. Design of fermentation media, Substrates used as carbon and nitrogen sources. Analysis of batch, fed batch and continuous bioreactions, biotransformation, Downstream Processing.

Production of microbial fermentation products: Organic acids (lactic acid, acetic acid & gluconic acid), Polyhydroxyalkanoic acids; Solvents (acetone and butanol). Amino acid (Aspartic acids, lysine, glutamic acid), Enzymes (proteases, amylases, lipases, cellulases & pectinolytic enzyme). Alcohol and beverages (acetone, n- butanol, ethanol; beer, wine). Application of fungi for biodegradation of cellulosic waste and ethanol production.

Metabolic engineering: Plant secondary metabolites; control mechanisms and manipulation of shikimic acid pathway; control mechanisms and manipulation of phenylpropanoid pathway. Organic acids: Propanediols, butanediol, succinic acid, propionic and butyric acids.

Health care products and food additives: Mushroom cultivation technology. Antibiotics- penicillin, streptomycin, tetracycline and erythromycin. Vaccines- BCG, hepatitis- B & recombinant vaccines; Vitamins- B₁₂, D & C; dairy products- cheese, yoghurt and other products., health care and environment.

Introduction to food technology: principles of food processing, sterilization and pasteurization of food products. Elementary idea of bottling, canning and packing of different types of food products (liquid, powdered and semi-cooked), technology of typical food products (Bread, cheese, idly); food preservation.

Engineering Industrial Products: alkaloids, Industrial enzymes, Bioplastics and biopolymers, polyhydroxybutyrate, therapeutic proteins. Biosensors- application in the industry.

Suggested Laboratory Exercises:

1. Isolation of industrially important microorganisms for microbial processes.
2. Comparative studies of Ethanol production using different substrates.
3. Microbial production of citric acid using *Aspergillus niger*.
4. Microbial production of antibiotics (Penicillin).
5. Cultivation techniques of mushrooms.
6. Selection of efficient PGPR and mycorrhizas and their affect on growth
7. Isolation and preservation of industrially important microorganisms for microbial processes.
8. Determination of thermal death point (TDP) and thermal death time (TDT) of microorganisms for design of a sterilizer.

9. Comparative studies of Ethanol production using different substrates.
10. Production and estimation of Alkaline Protease.
11. Use of alginate for cell immobilization.
12. Microbial production of single cell protein.
13. Preparation of list of the hazardous chemicals and their biosafety measures.
14. Any other practical based on theory syllabus

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4. Bailey, JE. and Ollis, DF. (1986) Biochemical Engineering Fundamentals, 2nd ed., McGraw Hill Book Co., New York.
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9. Nielson, J. and Vissadsen, J., (). Bioreaction Engineering Principles, Plenum Press.
10. Doran, PM. (1995). Bioprocess Engineering Principles, Academic Press.
11. Shuler, ML. (Ed.), (1989). Chemical Engineering Problems in Biotechnology, AIChE, New York.
12. Lee, JM. (2009). Biochemical Engineering, Prentice Hall Inc.
13. Vieth, WF., (1999). Bioprocess Engineering-Kinetics, Mass Transport, Reactors and Gene Expression, John Wiley & Sons Inc.
14. Rai, B. and Dkhar, MS. (1998). New trends in Microbial Ecology, Deptt. Of Botany, NE Hill Univ. Shillong & ISCON, Varanasi.
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Paper X: Genetic Engineering

engineering tools and their applications; Restriction enzymes, modification enzymes and other enzymes needed in genetic engineering; DNA and RNA markers. Gene Vectors- Plasmids, bacteriophages, phagemids, cosmids. Artificial chromosome vectors. SAC, MAC), CHEF analysis, virus derived vectors SV40, M13, retroviral vectors, and applications.

Nucleic Acid Sequencing and Amplification: Sequencing methods and its Applications- Maxim & Gilbert's, and Sanger's methods; Pyrosequencing, Thermal PCR, Shot gun sequencing and Automated method. Nucleic Acid purification, amplification and Yield Analysis; PCR: types & applications.

Gene manipulation: cDNA Synthesis and its Cloning; mRNA enrichment, DNA primers, linkers & adaptors, Library (cDNA and Genomic) construction and screening. Alternative Strategies of Gene Cloning, Two and three hybrid systems; cloning of genes in expression vectors. Nucleic acid microarray arrays.

Study of gene Expression & Regulation: DNA transfection, Northern blot, Primer extension, SI mapping, RNase protection assays, Reporter assays.

Southern and Western blotting, DNA fingerprinting, Chromosome walking, Southern and Fluorescence *in situ* hybridization.

Mutagenesis, Protein Engineering & Processing of Recombinant proteins - Directed Mutagenesis- Oligonucleotide with M13 DNA, PCR amplified oligonucleotide and Random mutagenesis. **Protein Engineering:** adding disulfide bonds, reducing number of free sulphhydryl residues, changing aminoacids, increasing and modifying enzymatic activity. **Processing of Recombinant proteins:** Purification and refolding, characterization of recombinant proteins, stabilization of proteins.

T-DNA and Transposon Tagging: Role of gene tagging in gene analysis, T-DNA and Transposon tagging, Identification and isolation of genes through T-DNA or transposon. Transgenic and Gene Knockout Technologies. Targeted gene replacement, Chromosome engineering.

Expression Strategies for Heterologous Proteins: Vector engineering, host engineering, *in vitro* transcription and translation, expression in bacteria, yeast, insects and insect cells, expression in mammalian cells and plants.

Gene Therapy-Vector engineering. Strategies of gene delivery, gene replacement/ augmentation, gene correction, gene editing gene regulation and silencing.

Application of genetic engineering: Uses of Transgenic plants and animals; production of recombinant pharmaceuticals, disease diagnoses and nanotechnology.

Suggested Laboratory Exercises

1. Growth characteristics of *E. coli* using plating and turbidometric methods.
2. Bacterial culture and antibiotic selection on media.
3. Isolation of plasmid from *E. coli* by alkaline lysis method and its quantitation spectrophotometrically.
4. Amplification of DNA by PCR process
5. Restriction enzyme digestion of genomic DNA from *E. coli*.
6. Restriction enzyme digestion (*EcoRI*) of plasmid DNA
7. Estimation of size of a DNA fragment after electrophoresis using DNA markers.
8. RFLP analysis
9. RAPD analysis
10. Demonstration of DNA fingerprinting.
11. Restriction digestion of the plasmid and estimation of the size of various DNA fragments & Construction of Restriction digestion map.
12. Cloning of DNA fragment in a plasmid vector.
13. Transformation of the given bacterial population and selection of recombinants.
14. Co-cultivation of the plant material (e.g. leaf discs) with *Agrobacterium* and study GUS activity histochemically.

15. Any other practical based on theory syllabus.

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1. Sambrook, J., Fritsch, EF. and Maniatis, T. (2000). Molecular Cloning Laboratory Manual Cold Spring Harbor Laboratory Press, New York.
2. Glover, DM. and Hames, BD. (1995). DNA Cloning: a practical approach. IRL Press Oxford.
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4. Berger, SL. and Kimmel, AR. (1998). Guide to Molecular Cloning. Academic press Inc. San Diego.
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PAPER XI: Environmental Biotechnology, Biosafety, Ethics and Research Methodology

Natural resource and its management, Sources of water pollution and biological treatment processes and their microbiology: Aerobic Processes-Oxidation ponds, Trickling filter, Activated sludge process, rotating discs, rotating drums; Anaerobic processes-Anaerobic digestion, anaerobic digester, up-flow anaerobic sludge blanket reactors.

Biodegradation of Xenobiotics in Environment - Oil pollution, surfactants, pesticides. Solid wastes: Sources and management (composting, vermiculture and methane production), bioremediation of contaminated soils and waste-land and groundwater. Reclamation of wastelands, oil spill.

Global environmental problems: Green house effect and acid rain; their effects and biotechnological approaches for management. Biofuels, Global warming; Methodology of environmental management- the problem solving approach, its limitations. Biodiversity and its conservation; Intraspecific variations in crop plants, molecular characterization of variations.

Human population growth and global food prospects: Food security and availability of food, Molecular basis of genetic modification and crop improvement programmes, GM food crops, Biotechnology in controlling crop diseases, weeds, insects and pests. Biopesticides in integrated pest management. Seed- seed banks, terminator gene technology and implications, International and local regulations.

Biosafety: Security measures, laboratory information management system (LIMS). Laboratory safety- safety policies. health hazardous compounds, chemicals (xenobiotic compounds), solvents, poisons, isotopes, radioactive materials, explosives and biological strains (bacterial, fungal etc.) and their waste management. Biosafety cabinet, Storage of hazardous material and disposal of biological and radioisotope wastes.

Ethical issues: introduction- causes of unethical acts, ignorance of laws, codes, policies and procedures, recognition, friendship, personal gains. Professional ethics - professional conduct. Ethical decision making, ethical dilemmas. Teaching ethical values to scientists, good laboratory practices, good manufacturing practices, laboratory accreditation.

Research Methodology: introduction- Basic research, applied research, need based research. Identification of the problem, defining the problem. Research project planning. Literature search- information sources, library resources- books, journals, abstracts hand books, procedure manuals, encyclopedias, annual reports, data banks, CDROMS, online literature search- internet access, websites, directories of information resources.

Progress of research- evaluation of results, statistical approach, comparison with existing methodologies, validation of findings, research communications, impact factor of journals.

Suggested Laboratory Exercises:

1. Detection of coliforms for determination of the purity of potable water.
2. Determination of total dissolved solids of water.
3. Determination of dissolved oxygen concentration of water sample.
4. Determination of biological oxygen demand (BOD) of a sewage sample.
5. Determination of chemical oxygen demand (COD) of sewage sample.
6. Determine the efficiency of removal of air pollutant using fibrous air filter.
7. Isolation of xenobiont degrading bacteria by selective enrichment technique.
8. Test for the degradation of aromatic hydrocarbons by bacteria.
9. Survey of degradative plasmids in microbes growing in polluted environment.
10. Effect of Sulphur dioxide on crop plants.
11. Estimation of heavy metals in water/soil by Atomic absorption spectrophotometry.
12. Estimation of nitrate in drinking water.

13. Study on biogenic methane production in different habitats.
14. Any other practical based on theory syllabus

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15. McGee, G. "Primer on Ethics and Human Cloning" <http://www.actionbioscience.org/biotech/mcgee.html>
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17. Grey, ST. "Genetic Engineering and Xenotransplantation" <http://www.actionbioscience.org/biotech/grey.html>
18. Kolehmainen, S.M. "The Dangerous Promise of Gene Therapy" <http://www.actionbioscience.org/biotech/kolehmainen.html>
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Paper XII: Elective Paper