

CORE COURSE V - MICROBIAL GENETICS

UNIT 1

Contribution by Louis Pasteur and Koch – Comparison of Prokaryotic and Eukaryotic cells - Whittaker's Five kingdom concept. Ultrastructure of bacteria – cytoplasmic inclusions- nuclear material – Plasmid – types and significance. Bacteriological media – culture of microbes – streak plate and pour plate methods. Growth Rate and Growth cycle of bacteria – Structure and composition of virus – Capsid – Symmetry – Nucleic acids – Envelope – Virions – Viral replication and replication cycle – cultivation of animal virus by chick embryo technique.

UNIT II

Pathogenic microbes in Air, Water, and Soil (Any 5 important pathogenic microbes and disease caused – list only). Microbes and polluted waters – coliform group- Bacteriological examination of water – test for coliform bacteria in water – bacteriological treatment of waste water – BOD. A brief study, symptoms of disease, mode of transmission and control of pathogenic organism (*Treponema pallidum*, *Mycobacterium tuberculosis*, Polio virus and HIV only). Microbial Control – Moist heat sterilization, radiation, phenolic compounds, alcohol, Penicillin and Streptomycin.

UNIT III

Nucleic acid as genetic material – proofs, structure and types. DNA replication and repair – Prokaryotic and Eukaryotic genome – Human genome (outline only) with examples – C value paradox – Molecular basis of mutation – Fine structure of gene – Modern concept, Jumping genes – Transposons – Function of DNA.

UNIT IV

Gene regulation in prokaryotes and eukaryotes – Gene regulation and protein synthesis – Transcription and Translation signal – Inborn errors of metabolism – X,Y and autosomal inheritance – Genetic disorder – Gene therapy – DNA fingerprinting.

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