

**CORE COURSE X - DEVELOPMENTAL BIOLOGY AND IMMUNOLOGY**

**Developmental Biology**

**Unit I**

Gametogenesis – Spermatogenesis – Biochemistry of semen, Sperm physiology – Oogenesis – Superovulation, ICSI, GIFT – Embryo cloning. Fertilization – *In Vitro* fertilization – vitellogenesis.

Morphogenetic gradients in egg-double gradient theory.  
Embryonic fields and their properties

Differentiation: Concept and nature of differentiation-selective action of genes in differentiation in *Drosophila* development, recognition of gene to signal molecules – time factor in progressive differentiation.

Differentiation at tissue level : Lactate dehydrogenase and alkaline phosphatase. Chemical substances as means of controlling differentiation. Role of *Hox* genes and *Hoxa* genes.

**Unit II**

Embryonic induction-concepts-organizers-classical experiments on organizers-analysis of the nature of primary organizer-chemical nature of inducing substances – mechanism of induction-competence of organizer.

Influence of hormones on growth and metamorphosis of insects and amphibians.

Regenerative ability in various invertebrates and vertebrates-mechanism of regeneration in amphibians-blastema formation – Factors affecting regeneration.

Aging and alterations in development – Gene regulation of aging.

Immunology

**Unit III**

Scope of Immunology – recognition of self and non self – types of Immunity – innate and acquired, passive and active.

Primary and secondary lymphoid structures and organs – structure and functions of bone marrow, thymus, spleen, bursa of Fabricius, GALT, BALT and Lymph nodes.

Cells of immune system – origin and differentiation of T,B cells and macrophage, antigens – class determinants – reactive sites and receptor sites. Vaccines and toxoids – types of vaccines – vaccination schedule vaccination and serotherapy.

#### **Unit IV**

Antibody – immunoglobulin – primary structure – classes, functions, synthesis (cellular, subcellular and molecular). Monoclonal antibodies and their applications, Genetic mechanisms in generation of antibody diversity – Somatic mutation – class switching – allelic exclusion – regulation of antibody.

Complements – classical and alternatives pathways and immunological significance

#### **Unit V**

Major histocompatibility complex (HLA) and its products in man.

Diseases and immune response – viral – bacterial diseases – parasitic infections – tumour immunology.

Immune deficiency diseases – AIDS.

Autoimmune diseases – examples, concept and mechanisms.

Types of hypersensitivity.

#### **Recommended Text Books for Reference:**

##### **Developmental Biology**

BALINSKY, B.L., (1981) An Introduction to Embryology, V Ed., Saunders Co., Philadelphia.

BERRILL, N.J., (1986) Developmental Biology, Tata McGraw Hill, New Delhi

##### **Immunology**

Sells, S. (1987). Basic Immunology, Elsevier Science Publishing Co., New York.

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SRIVASTAVA, R., RAM, B.P. and TYLE, P. (1991). Molecular Mechanisms of Immune Regulation, VCH Publishers Inc., New York.