

UNIVERSITY OF MADRAS
M.Sc. DEGREE PROGRAMME IN BOTANY
SYLLABUS WITH EFFECT FROM 2023-2024

Title of the Course	CELL BIOLOGY, GENETICS AND PLANT BREEDING						
Paper Number	CORE VIII						
Category	Core	Year	II	Credits	5	Course Code	523C3A
		Semester	III				
Instructional Hours per week	Lecture		Tutorial		Lab Practice	Total	
	5		1		-	6	
Pre-requisite	To acquire knowledge on cell, genetic traits and plant breeding techniques for crop improvement.						
Learning Objectives:							
C1	Enable to learn various cell structures and functions of prokaryotes and eukaryotes and understand the salient features and functions of cellular organelles.						
C2	To understand the cell division and its molecular mechanism so as to appreciate and manipulate normal and abnormal cell and tissue growth.						
C3	Understanding of laws of inheritance, genetic basis of loci and alleles and their linkage.						
C4	Knowledge on the structure, function and modifications of genetic materials in relation to diverse gene types and mutation.						
C5	Gain knowledge of the various plant breeding principles and how molecular genetics techniques are used to improve crops.						
UNIT	CONTENTS						
I	Cell and the Cell theory – Cell structure in prokaryotes and eukaryotes, Ultra structure of cell wall. Plasma membrane – Ultra structure, properties and functions. Chemistry and functions of intracellular organelles, nucleus, mitochondria, chloroplast, golgi bodies, lysosomes, endoplasmic reticulum and peroxisomes.						
II	<p>Cell division and cell cycle: Mitosis and meiosis and their significance. Biology of cancer cells; Oncogenes. Genetic rearrangements in progenitor cells, oncogenes, tumor suppressor genes, cancer and the cell cycle. Chromosomes - morphology, fine structure - telomere-types; lamp brush, polytene, isochromosomes - heterochromatin and euchromatin, transposons, chromosome identification - banding techniques.</p> <p>Cell signaling: Hormones and their receptors, cell surface receptor, signalling through G Protein coupled receptors, signal transduction pathways, second messengers, light signalling in plants, bacterial quorum sensing.</p> <p>Microbial Genetics: Methods of Genetic transfers – transformation, conjugation, transduction and sex-duction.</p>						
	MENDELIAN PRINCIPLES						

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III	Mendelian principles: Dominance, segregation, independent assortment. Concept of Gene: Allele, multiple alleles, pseudoallele, Non-Mendelian inheritance: Co-dominance, incomplete dominance, gene interactions, Linkage and crossing over, sex linkage and sex influenced characters. Gene mapping methods: tetrad analysis, mapping with molecular markers.	
IV	MUTATION AND EXTRA CHROMOSOMAL INHERITANCE Extra chromosomal inheritance involving chloroplast and mitochondrial genes. Human genetics: Pedigree analysis, Karyotypes, genetic disorders. Mutation: Types - insertion, deletion, frame shift, point mutation, Causes of mutation and mutant types - lethal, conditional, biochemical. Structural aberrations of chromosomes: Deletion, duplication, inversion, translocation. Recombination: Homologous, non-homologous and transposition.	
V	PLANT BREEDING: Objectives of plant breeding, Genetic basis of breeding self and cross – pollinated crops. pure line selection and mass selection, clonal selection methods. Hybridization, Genetics and physiological basis of heterosis.	
Course outcomes: CO	On completion of this course, the students will be able to:	Programme outcomes
CO1	Recognize the general features and organization of ultra structure of cell wall and cell organelles in prokaryotes and eukaryotes	K1
CO2	Infer and interpret events like cell division and its molecular mechanism so as to appreciate and manipulate normal and abnormal cell and tissue growth.	K2
CO3	Analyze the various factors determining the heredity from one generation to another.	K3
CO4	Acquire combined knowledge with special emphasis on extra chromosomal inheritance	K4
CO5	Create the innovative techniques in plant breeding.	K5
Extended Professional Component (is a part of internal component only, Not to be included in the External Examination question paper)	Questions related to the above topics, from various competitive examinations UPSC / TRB / NET / UGC – CSIR / GATE / TNPSC / others to be solved (To be discussed during the Tutorial hour)	
Skills acquired from this course	Knowledge, Problem Solving, Analytical ability, Professional Competency, Professional Communication and Transferrable Skill	
Recommended Text:		
1. Benjamin, A. Pierce. 2012. Genetics- A conceptual Approach. W.H. Freeman and Company, New York, England.		

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Reading List

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7. <https://www.mysciencework.com/publication/download/lecture-notes-cellbiology>
8. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1WuwwYcDHMg>
9. <https://www.slideshare.net/earshadshinichi/cell-biology-the-cell-its-structureand-history>
10. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=OIN4keY8q3k>
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Mapping with Programme Outcomes:

COs	PO1	PO2	PO3	PO4	PO5	PSO1	PSO2	PSO3	PSO4	PSO5
CO1	3	3	1	3	2	1	2	2	2	1
CO2	3	3	2	2	3	3	2	3	3	3
CO3	2	2	3	3	1	3	2	3	1	2
CO4	3	3	3	3	3	2	3	3	3	2
CO5	3	3	2	3	2	3	3	3	2	3

S-Strong (3) M-Medium (2) L-Low(1)