UNIVERSITY OF MADRAS

M.Sc. DEGREE PROGRAMME IN ZOOLOGY

SYLLABUS WITH EFFECT FROM 2023-2024

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Course Objectives:		
The main objectives of this course are:		
1.	Students acquire the basic knowledge on physiology of different organs in animals and human.	
2.	Understand the functions of different systems such as digestion, excretion, blood circulatory system, respiration and nervous system of animal relating them to structure and functions of various organs.	
Course	**:**	**Core IX**
Course title	**:**	**Animal Physiology**
Credits	**:**	**5**
Pre-requisite:		
Students should know the fundamentals of structure and functions of organs and organ systems of animals.		
Expected Course Outcome:		
On the successful completion of the course, student will be able to		

1.	Understand the functions of different systems of animals	**K1**
2.	Learn the comparative anatomy of heart structure and functions	**K2**
3.	Know the transport and exchange of gases, neural and chemical regulation of respiration	**K2 & K4**
4.	Acquire knowledge on the organization and structure of central and peripheral nervous systems	**K3 & K5**

K1 - Remember; **K2** - Understand; **K3** - Apply; **K4** - Analyze; **K5** - Evaluate; **K6** – Create

Units	
I	Blood and circulation: Blood corpuscles, haemopoiesis and formed elements, plasma function, blood volume, blood volume regulation, blood groups, haemoglobin, immunity, haemostasis. Cardiovascular system : Comparative anatomy of heart structure, myogenic heart, specialized tissue, ECG – its principle and significance, cardiac cycle, heart as a pump, blood pressure, neural and chemical regulation of all above
II	Respiratory system: Comparison of respiration in different species, anatomical considerations, transport of gases, exchange of gases, waste elimination, neural and chemical regulation of respiration
III	Nervous system: Neurons, action potential, gross neuro-anatomy of the brain and spinal cord, central and peripheral nervous system, neural control of muscle tone and posture. Sense organs: Vision, hearing and tactile response
IV	Digestive system: Digestion, absorption, energy balance, BMR. Excretory system: Comparative physiology of excretion, kidney, urine formation, urine concentration, waste elimination, micturition, regulation of water balance, blood volume, blood pressure, electrolyte balance, acid-base balance

V	Endocrinology and reproduction: Endocrine glands, basic mechanism of hormone action, hormones and diseases; reproductive processes, gametogenesis, ovulation, neuroendocrine regulation. Thermoregulation: Comfort zone, body temperature- physical, chemical, neural regulation, acclimatization: Stress and adaptation

Reading list

1. Prosser C. L. 1991, Comparative Animal Physiology. Part A: Environmental and Metabolic Animal Physiology. Wiley-Liss Publishers, pp-592
2. Hoar, S.W. 1983, General and Comparative Physiology, Prentice Hall Publication, pp-928.
3. Randall, D., W. Burggren, K. French and R. Eckert. 2001, Animal Physiology Mechanisms and Adaptations, New York : W.H. Freeman and Co., pp-
4. Nelson K. S. 1997. Animal Physiology: Adaptation and Environment, Cambridge University Press, pp- 617.
5. Dantzler, W.H. 1997. Comparative Physiology (Handbook of Physiology), Volumes I and II. Edited by William H. Dantzler. pp - 1824 Published for the American Physiological Society by Oxford University Press Inc., New York. Oxford University Press Canada, Toronto.
6. https://swayam.gov.in/nd1_noc20_bt42/preview
7. https://www.classcentral.com/course/swayam-animal-physiology-12894
8. https://swayam.gov.in/nd1_noc20_hs33/preview

Recommended texts

1. Shepherd, G. M. 1994. Neurobiology, OUP USA Publsiher, pp-774.
2. Hainsworth , F.R. 1981. Animal Physilogy: Adaptation in function, Addison Wesley Longman Publishers, pp-669.
3. Mcfarland, D. 1999. Animal Behaviour: Psychobiology, Ethology and Evolution, Longman Publisher, pp-592.
4. Gorden, M.S. *et al.,* 1977. Animal Physiology: Principles and Adaptation, New York, Third Edition.
5. Ahearn, G.A. *et al*., 1988. Advances in Comparative and Environmental Physiology – 2, Springer Publishers, pp-252.
6. Hill, R.W. 1976. Comparative Physiology of Animals: Environmental Approach, Longman Higher Education Publisher, pp-656.
7. Withers, P.C. 1992. Comparative Animal Physiology, Brooks/Cole Publisher, pp-900.

Mapping with Programme Outcomes*										
Cos	**PO1**	**PO2**	**PO3**	**PO4**	**PO5**	**PO6**	**PO7**	**PO8**	**PO9**	**PO10**
CO1	M	S	M	S	M	L	S	M	S	S
CO2	S	S	M	S	S	S	S	M	S	S
CO3	S	M	S	S	S	M	L	S	M	S
CO4	S	S	S	S	S	L	M	S	S	M
CO5	S	S	S	M	M	M	M	L	L	M

*S - Strong; M - Medium; L – Low