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Aseptic Area

asepsis → free from microbial contamination.

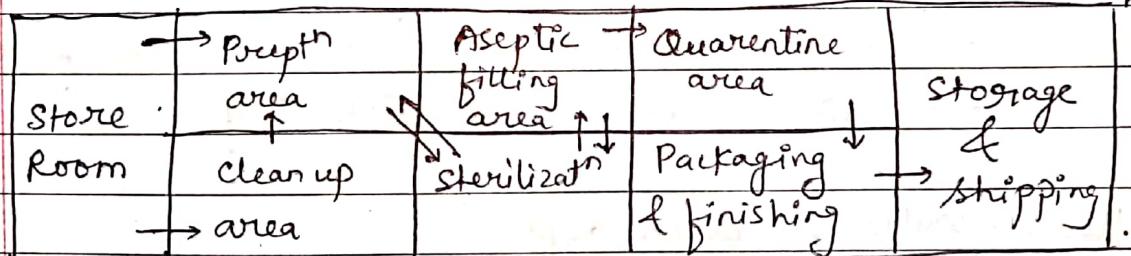
repsis → — " "

Aseptic area

- an area where strict measures should be adopted or used to avoid contamination.
- To obtain this → aseptic techniques used → prevents microbial contamination into sterile products.

Designing of aseptic area

→ aseptic or sterile products → designed in aseptic area → located separately within industry/hospital.



- Store room → to store ingredients
- Prepn room → or compound area
→ formulation of compounds / products done.
- Clean up area → cleaning of crude drugs, raw materials done.
- Sterilization area → compounded drugs are sterilized. to prevent microbial growth or to kill microbes.
- Aseptic fill'g area → filling of compounds in container occurs.
- Quarantine area → Restricted area which runs under control of responsible person.
→ This area has a store where in process batches of approved batches of products are stored separately.

- Packaging area → formulations packed here aseptically.
→ overall finishing is done.
- Storage & shipping → as product formation completes & packaging done, they are stored in separate aseptic area in controlled environment & at last shipping is done.

Requirement for designing aseptic area

(1) site of place / premises

Aseptic area → away from stairs, lift & corridors.
→ Each stage of product done in separate room.

(2) windows → large & transparent glass windows. → closed

→ ventilation provided by air filtration system.

(3) Doors → entrance (double door) with air lock system. → Sliding doors used with self closing.

(4) floors, walls & bench tops

- Easy to clean.
- smooth & no cracks or pores
- chemically resistant to solvents, acids or alkalis.

Floor makeup of →

- a) Terrazzo → cement + marble
- b) Linoleum → sheets or tiles
- c) Plastics → PVC

Surface / tops of benches made up of :-

- Stainless steel
- Plastic laminates.

Laminar flow Equipment

Laminar flow cabinet or laminar airflow hood is an enclosed bench → designed to → prevent contamination at time of :-

- Biochemical testing
- Performing rxn
- inoculating microbes (for pure culture)
- for obtaining clean / aseptic area.

Construction

Laminar flow cabinet consists of :-

- filter pad or pre-filter assembly
- A fan - Blower - HEPA filter
- switches for (UV light, visible light & for motor)

Working

- Before starting work on L.F.C.

UV germicidal lamp switched on, ^{for} about 15 - 20 mins
to kill germs

Then switched off as can cause skin burn or cancer

After this surface is wiped off with ethal before & after use.

Principle

Fan sucks air $\xrightarrow{\text{thru}}$ Pre filter assembly (dust trapped) \longrightarrow prefILTERED air passes by sterile air $\xleftarrow{\text{contaminating}}$ HEPA filter flows in cabinet. $\xleftarrow{\text{microbes were}}$ trapped $\xleftarrow{\text{with help of blower}}$

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HEPA (High Efficiency Particulate Air) filter

- most imp part of cabinet
- Pore size ($0.3 \mu\text{m}$) is size.
- filter medium in HEPA filter is made up of several foldings of fiberglass paper which are parallelly arranged.

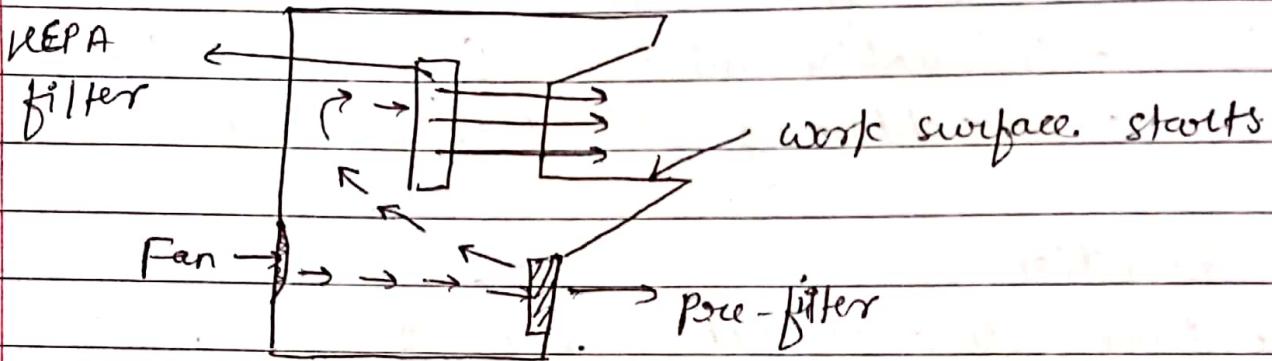
"Faith is the bird that feels the light when the dawn is still dark." - Rabindranath Tagore

Types of laminar flow cabinet

- (1) Horizontal laminar hood
- (2) Vertical " "

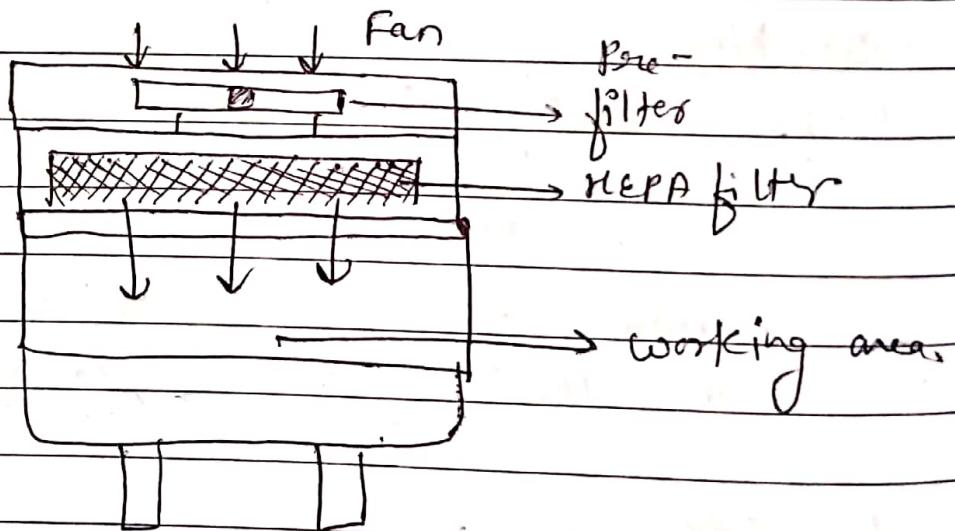
(1) Horizontal laminar hood

- These hoods filter air from back to front of the hood.



(2) Vertical L.H

- These hoods filter air from top to downward through the working area.



- ## # Diffr. sources of contamination in an aseptic area
- (1) Personnel / operator
 - (2) Building
 - (3) Equipment & utensils
 - (4) Raw materials
 - (5) manufacturing process
 - (6) HVAC
(Heating, Ventilation & Air-conditioning) System

(1) Personnel

- Person = supervising, performing & controlling drug manuf. is reason for microbial contamin. due to follo. reasons:-
 - inadequate training
 - Eating / drinking / smokn
 - Improper hygiene
 - Having any open wound / infection.

(2) Building

This is reason bcz of

- Rough floor, walls, ceilings - trace of moisture.
- Absence of air filtration systems
- inadequate lighting / ventilation system.
- Improper washing, cleaning, toilet & personnel cleanliness.

(3) Equipment & utensils

- Improper cleaning & sanitation due to comple design of equip.
- Using defective equipment.
- Corrosive Equipment

(4) Raw materials

- drugs = natural source = potential source of contamination:-
- - Degradation due to extreme environmental conditions (heat, etc)
 - wrong labelling
 - Incorrect sampling & testing
 - Improper storage & handling

(5) Manufacturing process

- Improper sterilization
- Exposing to open room environment.
- lack of labelling, cleaning

(6) HVAC

- Improper Air filtration system.
- Accumulation of organic material in system.
- non-maintenance of pressure in the area.

Method of prevention of Contamination

(1) Personnel

- Personal hygiene maintained
- Unauthorised personnel restricted.
- Trained persons allowed
- Should wear protective clothing, masks.

(2)

facility design

- Pressure, & temp should be maintained in aseptic room.
- Air filtration system must be provided.
- Laminar flow hood must be fit.
- Disinfectants are used to clean area.

(3)

Building design

- Smooth, crack free & easily cleanable floors.
- Stainless steel sinks fit.
- Windows & doors = closed properly.

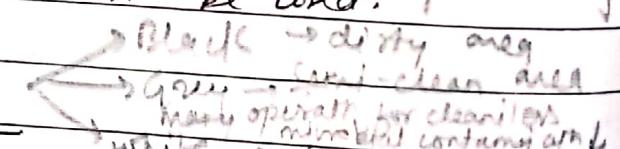
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Cleaning & disinfection

- time to time cleaning
- good quality cleaning agents must be used. controlling no microbial or pathogenic

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Clear area classification



→ Clean room → constructed → where environment perfectly
in closed area → Conc't of airborne → sterile, protective
particles controlled → aseptic compounding
by use of HEPA filter is done.

→ Acc. to ISO (International Organisation of Standardisation) → clean room → refers level of based on no. of airborne particles of a certain size per cubic meter.

→ ↓ the classification no., cleaner is air.

- A clean room should include:-

- HEPA filter
- Air lock entry system
- maintenance of + room air pressure
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Classification of clean rooms & ppt.

Clean Rooms

PPPS

① class 10000 (ISO class 7)	10000 or less particles of 0.5 μm if larger size exist in a given cubic foot of air.
② class 1000 (ISO class 6)	1000 or less particles of 0.5 μm if larger size exist in a given cubic foot of air.
③ class 100 (ISO class 5)	100 or less particles of 0.5 μm if larger size exist in a given cubic foot of air.

Microbial assay.

Def → Method of examining the potency of activity of chemical comp. by use of micro-org.

Principle → Elaborated comparison of the "inhibition of growth" of the microbes by a measured concentration of antibiotics by known conc of standard with known activity.

Merits →

- simple & rapid
- Used for accurate standardisat' of medicinal compound.
- determines conc of activity of compound.
- Requires less amount of sample & instruments
- suitable for compounds can't be assayed by physical or chemical methods

Demerits

- for particular assay, specific test org. req.
- Req. well trained & expert individuals.
- Sterile environment req. - Irreducible possibilities.

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Standardization of Antibiotics

- Antibiotics = kill, reduce & prevent microbial growth.
- Two methods used :
 - (a) Cup plate or cylinder plate method
 - (b) Turbidimetric or tube assay "

(1) Cup plate / cylinder plate.

- * depends on diffusion of an antibiotic from a vertical cylinder or cavity thru solidified agar layer.
- * microbe growth → prevent → circular area (around cavity) containing antibiotic.

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Culture media

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|--------------------|-------------|----------------|------------|
| <u>Ingredients</u> | → - Peptone | - Beef extract | - NaCl |
| | - Agar | - meat " | - Dextrose |
- Once culture media prepared → sterilization done (autoclave)
 - ⇒ pH adjusted by NaOH or HCl.

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Standard or Test soln prep.

- Stand antibiotic prep → dissolved/diluted → to produce in a solvent reg. concn.
- same way test soln prepared.

<u>Antibiotic</u>	<u>Framycetin</u>	<u>Test org</u>
Chlorotetracycline, Kanamycin		Bacillus pumilis
Tetracycline		Bacillus subtilis
Tylosin		Staphylococcus aureus
Tobramycin		" "

* Test org → maintained in culture media under incubation condn & weekly transferred to fresh media.

Method. → Agar media prepared & sterilized (autoclave) 115°C for 30 min

↓
Transferred & poured in sterile plate & cooled & solidified.

↓
Test org. inoculated & spreaded on solidified agar med.

↓
sterile cavity / ditches / holes are made.

↓
std & test antibiotic soln poured into cavities

↓
left to stand for 1-2 hrs

↓
Incubated at 32°C for 1-2 days.

↓
microbial growth checked.

(b) Turbidimetric or tube assay method

- Shorter incubation period (4-5 hrs) for test org. growth
- Not used for cloudy or turbid prep.

Method :- Std soln prep. in 5 conc by diluting stock soln to make std curve.

↓
medium conc selected & sample of test antibiotic soln diluted upto these conc.

↓
1 ml of each conc of std & sample soln is placed separately in test tubes.

In separated test tubes, 9 ml of nutrient media with test micro-org. is added

3 control tubes prepared

Culture control

blank control

culture medium

incubated (4-5 hrs)

0.5 ml of dil. formaldehyde soln added.

absorbability is checked in spectrophotometer at the wavelength of 530nm

growth is determined

microbiological assay of vitamins

Vit → Org. comp., an essential nutrient for org. in small quantity for proper functioning & metabolism.

- (A) Vit B₁₂ (cyanocobalamin) — *Lactobacillus Leichmannii*
- (B) Vit B₇ (Biotin)
B₃ (Niacin)
B₅ (Pantothenate)] → *Lactobacillus plantarum*.
- (C) Vit B₆ (Pyridoxine)
B₂ (Riboflavin)] . *Tetrahymena thermophila*.

* Test org → *Lactobacillus Leichmannii*, well grows in free of Vit B₁₂.

* Vit B₁₂ → Sample Vit B₁₂
→ Standard Vit B₁₂.

* methods → ① Titrimetric
② Turbidimetric

"The butterfly counts not months but moments, and has time enough." - Rabindranath Tagore

Titrimetric

Clean test tube \rightarrow 1 ml, 1.5 ml, 2 ml, 2.5 ml, 3 ml & 3.5 ml respectively of Std cyanocobalamin solⁿ separately

↓
add basal medium (5ml)

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adjust final vol (10ml) with H₂O

Another test tubes & take 1ml, 2 ml, 3, 4 ml sep. test sol

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To each add 5ml basal medium & adjust vol (10ml) with H₂O

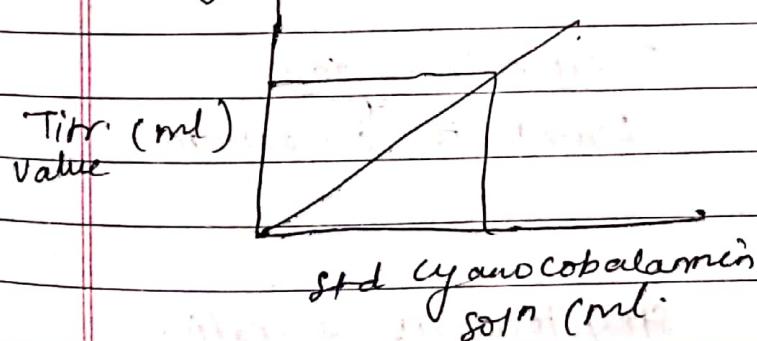
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now sterilize all tubes in autoclave at 121°C for 15min

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cool & add test org

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incubate at 30-37°C for 64-82 hrs

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titrate contents of each tube with 0.5N NaOH using bromothymol blue indicator (converts to green).

↓
avg of titration value is determined if g/p is potted.



Turbidimetric

- Clean test tube, add 1, 1.5, 2, 2.5, 3, 3.5 ml separately std cyanocobalamin solⁿ

↓

add basal medium (5ml)



adjust final vol (10ml) with H₂O



Another test tube & add 1, 2, 3, 4 ml test soln separately



add 5ml basal med



sterilize all tubes & cool it



add test micro-org (Lact. Leichyannii)



incubate at 30 - 35°C for 16 to 24 hrs



now Spectrophotometer adjusted at wavelength
of 580nm, transmittance is checked of each
test tube.

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Microbial Assay of amino acids

for assay, organisms used are -

A, A

(a) Alanine

Test micro-organ

Leuconostoc citrovorum

(b) Arginine

Methionine

Threonine

Tryptophan

Streptococcus faecalis

(c) Aspartic acid

Cystine, glycine

Histidine, serine

Leuconostoc mesenteroides

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In a clear test tube, 5 concn of std soln of AA is prep.



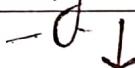
To another test tube, take medium conc of std & test sample
soln was prepared



Now prepare a basal media & add it all the test tubes of
std & test soln



Test micro-org. is added in all the test tubes.



All of these were incubated for 16 to 24 hrs for 30-37°C

Now the transmittance is checked by the help of
spectrophotometer at 280 nm

Assessment of new antimicrobial agent is the process of discovery, evaluation and the Establishment of efficacy of identified synthetic or natural chemicals.

Identification means, finding of any chemical synthesized or obtained from natural sources like microbial cells or herbal / plant extracts.

Establishment of efficacy related with the findings that the new antimicrobial agent is effective against which organism, i.e. against bacteria (which strain), or fungi.

Establishment of effective concentration, means determination of concentration at which the chemical effectively kills the bacterial strains and also determination of Minimum Effective Concentration (MIC).

This method is most applied method for assessment of antimicrobial activity.

In this method agar plates are inoculated with any microbial cells (against which the antimicrobial activity is to be tested).

For this, the microbial cells are spread evenly (with the help of sterile cotton swab) on the surface of solidified nutrient agar media.

Then this seeded culture media is allowed to incubate in optimized conditions to allow the growth of microbial cells. After appropriate incubation, microbial cells formed a uniform layer over the surface of nutrient agar media (This is called Lawn Culture).