

136C1A Fundamentals of Microbiology Theory Summary

Course Units

Unit 1: Learn The Fundamental Principles About Different Aspects

- History and Evolution of Microbiology
- Classification – Three kingdom
- five kingdom
- six kingdom and eight kingdom. Microbial biodiversity: Introduction to microbial biodiversity- ecological niche. Basic concepts of Eubacteria
- Archaebacteria and Eucarya. Conservation of Biodiversity.

Unit 2: Describe The Structural Organization, Morphology And Reproduction

- General characteristics of cellular microorganisms (Bacteria, Algae, Fungi and Protozoa) and acellular microorganisms - (Viruses, Viroids, Prions)
- Differences between prokaryotic and eukaryotic microorganisms. Structure of Bacterial cell wall
- cell membrane
- capsule
- flagella
- pili
- mesosomes
- chlorosomes
- phycobilisomes
- spores
- and gas vesicles. Structure of fungi (Mold and Yeast)
- Structure of microalgae.

Unit 3: The Methods Of Cultivation Of Microbes And Measurement

- Bacterial culture media and pure culture techniques. Mode of cell division
- Quantitative measurement of growth. Anaerobic culture techniques.

Unit 4: Microscopy And Other Basic Laboratory Techniques – Culturing

- Microscopy – Simple
- bright field
- dark field
- phase contrast
- fluorescent
- electron microscope – TEM & SEM
- Confocal microscopy
- and Atomic Force Microscopy. Stains and staining methods.

Unit 5: Compare And Contrast The Different Methods Of Sterilization

- Sterilization—moist heat - autoclaving
- dry heat – Hot air oven
- radiation – UV
- Ionization
- filtration – membrane filter and disinfection
- antiseptic; Antimicrobial agents.

Course Outcomes

CO1: Study the historical events that led to the discoveries and inventions and understand the Classification of Microorganisms.

CO2: Gain Knowledge of detailed structure and functions of prokaryotic cell organelles.

CO3: Understand the various microbiological techniques, different types of media, and techniques involved in culturing microorganisms.

CO4: Explain the principles and working mechanism of different microscopes/Microscope, their function and scope of application.

CO5: Understand the concept of asepsis and modes of sterilization and disinfectants.

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Web Resources

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5. <https://courses.lumenlearning.com/boundless-microbiology/chapter/microbial-nutrition/>