

# **ABBOTTABAD INTERNATIONAL MEDICAL COLLEGE ABBOTTABAD**



## **DEPARTMENT OF PHYSIOLOGY**

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## **INTRODUCTION OF PHYSIOLOGY DEPARTMENT**

It is located on 1<sup>st</sup> Floor on right side of the stairs. It consists of three offices and a students Lab. One office for HOD Dr Tariq Mehmood Khan. One for other faculty members & one for lab staff. Lab is well equipped with required instruments and is spacious and well Ventilated.

Physiology is the science of life which aims to understand the mechanisms of living things, from basis of cell function at the ionic and molecular level to the integrated behaviour of whole body.

Physiology is ever extending field. The latest trends in physiology has made the medical science towards new discoveries in managing and diagnostic consultation.

## **COURSE DISTRIBUTION**

### **1<sup>ST</sup> YEAR (UNITS INCLUDED)**

1. CELL
2. NERVE AND MUSCLE
3. HEART
4. CIRCULATION BLOOD
5. RESPIRATION

### **2<sup>ND</sup> YEAR (UNITS INCLUDED)**

1. ENDOCRINOLOGY
2. REPRODUCTION
3. CENTRAL NERVOUS SYSTEM
4. KIDNEY
5. ACID BASE BALANCE
6. GASTRO INTESTINAL PHYSIOLOGY



## PART-I

### Basic Concepts

#### General Physiology/Cell

Functional organization of human body

Homeostasis

Control systems in the body

Cell membrane and its functions

Intercellular Connections

Cell organelles

Transport through cell membrane

Genetics

### Blood

Composition and General Functions

Plasma Proteins

Red Blood Cell (Erythropoiesis)

Haemoglobin & Blood Indices,

Iron metabolism, Fate of Hb.

White Blood Cells,

Leucopoiesis, functions

Platelets

Haemostasis

Blood Groups,

Blood Transfusion & complications

Reticuloendothelial System – Spleen

### Nerve and muscle

The neuron-structure & functions

Properties of Nerve Fibres

Physiology of action Potential including compound action potentials

### Clinical/Applied Concepts

Abnormalities of the cell and its organelles

Anaemia

Blood indices in various disorders

Leucopaenia, Leucocytosis

Thrombocytopenia

Clotting disorders

(Haemophilia etc.)

Blood grouping/cross matching &

significance Immunity

Nerve conduction studies

EMG

Conduction of Nerve Impulse, Nerve  
Degeneration and regeneration  
Synapses  
Structure of the Muscle  
Skeletal muscle contraction  
Isometric and isotonic contraction  
Smooth muscle contraction  
Neuromuscular Transmission  
Excitation — contraction coupling  
Motor Unit

Nerve Injury

Rigor Mortis & Contractures

Myasthenia Gravis

Myopathies/Neuropathies



## Neuromuscular Blockers

### **Gastrointestinal Tract**

Structure and General Functions

Enteric nervous system (Gut Brain)

Mastication, Swallowing and their control

Functions and movements of stomach

Functions and movements of small intestine

Functions and movements of large intestine

Hormones of GIT

Vomiting and its pathway

Defecation and its pathway

Functions of Liver

Dysphagia, achlasia of Esophagus

Examination of abdomen, peptic Ulcer, Pancreatitis

Gastric function tests

Vomiting and effects

Diarrhoea, Constipation

Jaundice, Liver functions tests

### **Cardiovascular system**

Introduction to heart & circulation

Physiology of cardiac muscle

Action potential in atrial & ventricular muscle and pace-maker potential

Regulation of cardiac functions

Cardiac impulse-origin & propagation

Cardiac cycle – various events

ECG-Recording & interpretation

Correlation of cardiac cycle with ECG & heart sounds

Significance of Apex beat/abnormalities

ECG interpretation in cardiac muscle abnormalities and cardiac arrhythmias

Flutter, Fibrillation-Ectopics

Arrhythmias- mechanism of development

Functional types of blood vessels

Haemodynamics of blood flow

Local control of blood flow

Systemic circulation, characteristics & Control

Regulation of peripheral resistance

Arterial pulse

Arterial blood pressure (short/long term regulation)

Cardiac output (regulation/measurement)

Heart Sounds/murmurs

Venous return & its regulation

Conduction defects

Jugular venous pulse

Radial/other pulses

Hypertension, types & effects

Clinical evaluation of heart sounds and murmurs

Coronary circulation  
Splanchnic circulation  
Pulmonary circulation  
Cerebral circulation

Ischemic Heart Disease  
Heart Failure  
Echocardiogram

Fetal circulation and readjustments at birth  
Cardiovascular changes during exercise

## **Respiratory System**

Organization/functions of Respiratory Tract  
Functions of Lungs ( respiratory & non respiratory)

Examination of Chest  
Types of respiration  
(Intrapleural pressure, pneumothorax, effusion)  
Atelactasis  
Lung function tests  
(Spirometry)

Mechanics of Breathing  
Surfactant and Compliance

Protective reflexes  
Lung volumes and capacities

Obstructive/Restrictive lung disease (FEV1/FVC)

Dead space  
Diffusion of Gases (gas laws, composition)  
Ventilation/perfusion

Abnormal Ventilation/Perfusion

Transport of O<sub>2</sub> in blood  
Transport of CO<sub>2</sub> in blood  
Regulation of respiration (Nervous/Chemical)  
Abnormal breathing  
Hypoxia-types and effects  
Physiology of Cyanosis  
Physiology of high altitude, space, deep sea  
Diving  
Oxygen debt  
Respiratory changes during exercise

Respiratory failure  
Asphyxia  
Hypoxia, cyanosis, dyspnoea  
Artificial respiration  
Oxygen therapy  
Caisson's disease



## Nervous system

Organization of Nervous system	Significance of Dermatomes
Classification of nerve fibres	
Properties of Synaptic transmission	
Neurotransmitters and neuropeptides	
Types and function of sensory receptors	Receptors & Neurotransmitters (applied aspect)
Functions of spinal cord, ascending tracts	Interpretation of Reflexes
Reflex action/ reflexes	UMN/LMN Lesion-features and localization
Muscle spindle / muscle tone	Injuries and diseases of spinal cord, Analgesia system
Tactile, temperature and pain sensations	Disorders of cranial nerves
Structure of cerebral cortex	Hemiplegia/Paraplegia
Sensory Cortex	Parkinsonism & other lesions of basal ganglia
Motor Cortex	Cerebellar Disorders
Motor pathways, (Pyramidal & extra pyramidal)	Sleep Disorders
Basal Ganglia, connections and functions	Higher mental function
Cerebellum, connections and functions	Assessment
Vestibular Apparatus/Regulation of Posture & Equilibrium	Abnormalities of speech
Reticular formation	Thalamic syndrome
Physiology of sleep/EEG	Lesion of Hypothalamus
Physiology of memory	
Physiology of speech	
Thalamus-Nuclei & functions	
Hypothalamus & limbic System	
Cerebrospinal fluid	

Regulation of body temperature

Functions of skin

Autonomic Nervous System

Physiology of aging

Hydrocephalus



## PART-II

### Body fluids and Kidneys

Compartments of body fluids  
& measurement  
Tissue and lymph fluids

Renal function tests

Fluid Excess/depletion

Structure of Kidney/Nephron

General functions of kidney

GFR-factors regulating

Formation of urine, filtration, reabsorption,  
secretion

Plasma Clearance

Plasma Concentration & Dilution of  
urine

Renal failure/uraemia

Electrolyte Balance

Water Balance

Regulation of blood pressure by  
kidneys

Nephrotic syndrome

Hormones of kidneys

Acidification of urine

Artificial kidney/Hemodialysis

Acid Base balance

Metabolic acidosis/alkalosis

Micturition

Abnormalities of micturition  
including incontinence

## Special senses

Structure & functions of eye-ball

Intraocular pressure & Glaucoma

Optical Principles

Accommodation of eye

Errors of refraction

Photochemistry of vision

Colour vision/night blindness

Dark and light adaptation

Neural function of Retina

Visual pathway, light reflex and pathway

Visual cortex

Intraocular fluids

Eye movements and control

Physiological anatomy of cochlea

Functions of external & middle Ear

Functions of inner Ear-Organ of Corti

Auditory pathway

Physiology of smell- receptors and pathway

Physiology of taste

Visual acuity

Colour blindness, fundoscopy

Field of vision and lesions of visual pathway

Visual evoked potentials and Electroretinogram

Hearing test audiometry

Types of deafness

Auditory evoked potentials

Olfaction/taste abnormalities

## Endocrinology

General principles(classification, mechanism of action, feed back control)

Biosynthesis, transport, metabolism, actions and control of secretion of hormones of:

Hypthalamus

Anterior Pituitary

Posterior Pituitary

Thyroid gland

Parathyroid, calcitonin

Adrenal Medulla

Andrenal Cortex

Pancreas

GIT

Pineal gland

Acromegaly, Giantism

Hormonal assay

Dwarfism

Panhypopituitarism

Sheehan's syndrome

Diabetes insipidus

Syndrome of inappropriate

ADH secretion

Myxoedema, Cretinism,

Thyrotoxicosis

Pheochromocytoma

Cushing's syndrome, Conn's Syndrome

Thymus

Kidney

Physiology of growth

Addison's disease,  
Adrenogenital syndrome  
Diabetes Mellitus  
& Hypoglycemia  
Zollinger Ellison's syndrome

## **Reproduction**

Functional anatomy of Male reproductive system

Spermatogenesis

Semen analysis

Erection and ejaculation

Testosterone

Male puberty

Oogenesis and functional anatomy of female gonads

Oestrogen & Progesterone

Menstrual cycle

Puberty and Menopause

Pregnancy — Physiological changes in mother during pregnancy

Placenta

Parturition

Lactation

Neonatal Physiology

Chromosomal abnormalities

Male infertility

Female infertility

Contraception

Pregnancy Tests

## EXPERIMENTAL PHYSIOLOGY

### Haematology

Study of the microscope

Determination of:

Haemoglobin (Hb%)

Erythrocyte sedimentation Rate (ESR)

Packed cell volume (PCV)/Haematocrit

Bleeding Time (BT)

Clotting Time

(CT) Blood

Groups

Study of Neubauer chamber

RBCs Count

Red cell indices

WBCs Count

Differential leucocyte Count

(DLC) Osmotic fragility of RBCs

Demonstration of prothrombin time and thrombin time

### Respiratory System

Clinical examination of chest

Measurement of Pulmonary volumes and capacities (Spirometry)

Stethography

## **Nervous System**

Examination of superficial reflexes  
Examination of deep reflexes  
Examination of sensory, motor system  
Clinical examination of cranial nerves

## **Cardiovascular system**

Examination of arterial pulse  
ECG recording/interpretation  
Measurement of arterial blood pressure  
Effect of exercise & posture on BP  
Examination of Apex Beat

## **Special Senses**

Field of vision by confrontation method  
Field of vision by Perimetry  
Light reflex  
Ophthalmoscopy  
Visual acuity  
Colour Vision  
Hearing tests  
Audiometry  
Taste Sensation  
Olfaction sensation

## **Miscellaneous**

Recording of body temperature  
Pregnancy tests

## **Rota of Faculty Members** **For Lectures**

S.No	Day	Time	Name
1	Monday	10:30 to 11:30	Dr. Sumera/ Dr. Maheen
2	Tuesday	09:00 to 10:00	Dr. Inayat / Dr. Tariq
3	Wednesday	08:00 to 09:00	Dr. Inayat / Dr. Masood
4	Thursday	10:30 to 11:30	Dr. Fouzia
5	Friday	11:00 to 12:00	Dr. Maheen / Dr. Fouzia
6	Saturday	09:00 to 10:00	Dr. Khateeb



**Time Table 2019****2nd Year MBBS**

Days	08:00 to 09:10			10:00 - 10:30	10:30 - 11:30		11:30 - 12:30		12:30 - 01:30		01:30 - 02:30
Monday	A	B	C	Break	Physiology		Biochemistry		Dissection		Dissection (Batches A, B & C)
	Biochemistry	Histology	Physiology								
Tuesday	08:00 - 09:00	09:00 - 10:00			A	B	C	Dissection		Dissection (Batches A, B & C)	
	Biochemistry	Physiology			Physiology	Biochemistry	Histology				
Wednesday	08:00 - 09:00	09:00 - 10:00			10:30 - 11:30		11:30 - 12:30		12:30 - 01:30		
	Physiology	Embryology			Histology		Dissection		Dissection (Batches A, B & C)		
Thursday	08:00 to 10:00				10:30 - 11:30		11:30 - 12:30		12:30 - 01:30		01:30 - 02:30
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	Histology	Physiology	Biochemistry								
Friday	08:00 - 09:00	09:00 - 10:00		10:00 - 11:00			11:00 - 12:00		Off		
	Dissection	Dissection (Videos)		Gross Anatomy			Biochemistry				
Saturday	08:00 - 09:00	09:00 - 10:00		Break	10:30 - 12:30			12:30 - 01:30		01:30 - 02:30	
	Biochemistry	Physiology			Seminars/Tutorials Anatomy/Physiology/Biochemistry (As per Separate Schedule) (Combined)			Dissection		Dissection (Batches A, B & C)	

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**Time Table 2018**

1st Year MBBS

Days	08:00 - 09:00	09:00 - 10:00	10:00 - 10:30	10:30 - 11:30	11:30 - 12:30	12:30 -02:00		
Monday	Biochemistry	Physiology	Break	Dissection	Dissection (Vedios)	PRACTICALS		
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						Histology	Physiology	Biochemistry
Tuesday	Dissection	Dissection (Videos)		Physiology	Histology	PRACTICALS		
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						Physiology	Biochemistry	Histology
Wednesday	Dissection	Dissection (Videos)		Biochemistry	Physiology	PRACTICALS		
						A	B	C
						Biochemistry	Histology	Physiology
Thursday	Dissection			G. Anatomy	Physiology	12:30 - 01:30  Physiology		
Friday	Physiology	G. Anatomy				HALFDAY		
Saturday	Dissection	Dissection (Videos)		Embryology	Pak.Studies	Seminars/Tutorials Anatomy/Physiology/Biochemistry (As Per Separate Schedule) Supervisor: (Anatomy) (Bio) (Physiology)		

## Assessment

### Criteria for Internal Assessment

#### 1. Attendance

< 50	1
51 – 59	2
60 – 69	3
70 – 79	4
80 – 89	5
≥ 90	6

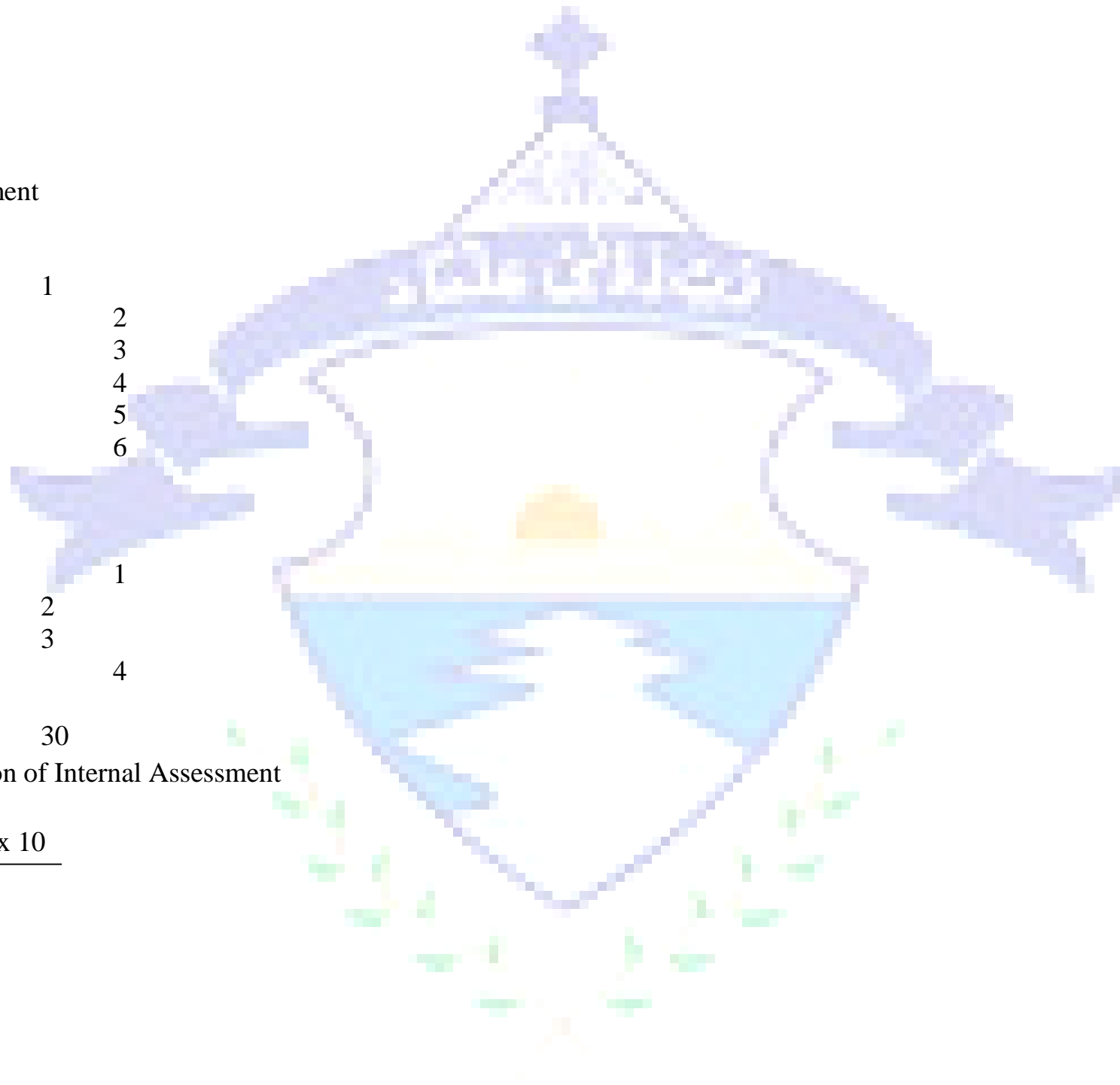
#### 2. Stages

Appear	1
Failed with ≥ 40	2
Pass	3
Position	4

#### 3. Total Marks 30

#### 4. Formula for calculation of Internal Assessment

$$\frac{\text{Obtained Marks} \times 10}{30}$$



## Learning sites

Our 1<sup>st</sup> year and 2<sup>nd</sup> year MBBS lectures, seminars and tutorials are conducted in lecture hall 1 and 2 located at ground floor.

Practical classes are conducted in physiology lab situated on 1<sup>st</sup> floor.

## Reference books;

- 1.) Text book of medical Physiology Guyton and Hall
- 2.) Ganong's Review of medical Physiology
- 3.) Essentials of medical physiology
- 4.) Human physiology by lauree Sherwood
- 5.) Blood physiology