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Master of Science (M.Sc) CLINICAL EMBRYOLOGY

CURRICULUM



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1. Goal

The goal of postgraduate M.Sc in Clinical Embryology shall be to produce competent Clinical Embryologists and leaders in reproductive sciences.

2. Program Outcome

After completing two years of M.Sc. Clinical Embryology, the post graduate student should be able to:

PO-1: Work as a Competent Embryologist

PO-2: Acquire knowledge and skills in Reproductive Educational Technology and conduct research in Reproductive Sciences.

3. Course Outcomes

After completing the course of M.Sc. Clinical Embryology, the post graduate student should be able to:

- 3.1 Demonstrate comprehensive knowledge and understanding of gross and microscopic structure of the human cell and its organelles.
- 3.2 Comprehend normal anatomy and physiology of the male and female re-productive system.
- 3.3 Demonstrate knowledge of basic and systemic embryology including human genetics, genetic inheritance, gene regulation, immunology and stemcell therapy.
- 3.4 Develop a basic understanding of biochemistry, endocrinology and phar-macology.
- 3.5 Independently handle semen and its processing for both techniques-IntraUterine Insemination (IUI) and In-vitro fertilization (IVF).
- 3.6 Be acquainted with mouse anatomy and physiology.
- 3.7 Should be able to identify and handle human oocyte in the embryologylaboratory.
- 3.8 Competently handle human gametes in the scenario of IVF and ICSI.
- 3.9 Assess viability of embryos and their developmental competence with fairaccuracy.
- 3.10 Cryopreserve human gametes and embryos, thaw them and subsequentlydevelop them to transfer into the uterus.
- 3.11 Understand the basic concepts of IVF.
- 3.12 Should be well versed in setting up of IVF laboratory according to stan-dards available and well versed in quality control measures.

4. Admission:

4.1 Eligibility

- a. The student is required to obtain at least 50% in his/her bachelor's program.
- b. As a minimum criterion of eligibility, aspiring candidates are needed to have attained a B.Sc. in any discipline of Life Sciences, Biosciences, Bachelor's degree in any of Physics, Biological Sciences, M.B.B.S, BDS, BAMS, BHMS, B.Pharm, Bachelor's Degree in Agricultural Sciences from an Institute recognized by respective Statutory Council/ UGC.

4.2 There is no age bar for applying.

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As laid down by Sumandeep Vidyapeeth Deemed to be University.

4.4 Duration of the Course: Two years which is divided into four semesters each of six months duration

5. Course Content

5.1 Semester-I

	Theory	Teaching Hours/ week
Subject Code	Subject	
MCE101	Basics of Biochemistry and Cell Biology	4
MCE 102	Reproduction and Embryology-I (Basics)	4
MCE 103	Reproductive Anatomy	4
MCE 104	Reproductive Physiology	4
MCE105	Research Methodology-I (Including Research project / Dissertation topic selection)	4
	Practical	
MCE106	Laboratory Techniques-I (Including	4
	Seminars/Journal Club)	
	Extra-curricular activities	4
	Total Hours	28

5.2 Semester-II

	Theory	Teaching Hours/ week
Subject Code	Subject	
MCE 201	Molecular Biology and Immunology	4
MCE 202	Reproduction and Embryology-II	4
MCE 203	Clinical Aspects of Reproduction	4
MCE 204	Research Methodology-II (Including Research	8
	project / Dissertation work and Biostatistics)	
	Practical	
MCE 205	Laboratory Techniques-II (Including	4
	Seminars/Journal Club)	
	Extra-curricular activities	4
	Total Hours	28

5.3 Semester-III

	Theory	Teaching Hours/ week
Subject Code	Subject	
MCE 301	Basics of Microbiology and Pharmacology	4
MCE 302	Assisted Reproductive Techniques-I (Basics)	4
MCE 303	Ethics, Regulatory laws & Guidelines	4
MCE 304	Research Methodology-III (Including Research project / Dissertation work and Research ethics)	4
	Practical	
MCE 305	Laboratory Techniques-III (Including Seminars/Journal Club)	6
	Extracurricular Activities	4
国日	Total Hours	26

5.4 Semester-IV

	Theory	Teaching Hours/ week
Subject Code	Subject	
MCE 401	Good Laboratory Practices	4
MCE 402	Assisted Reproductive Techniques-II (Recent Advances)	2
MCE 403	Research Project and Dissertation work (Submission at the end of first half)	14
	Practical	
MCE 404	Laboratory Techniques-IV (Including Seminars/Journal Club)	8
	Total Hours	28

6. Syllabus

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6.1 Semester-I

	Theory
Subject Code	Subject
MCE101	Basics of Biochemistry and Cell Biology
	a. Structure of the building blocks - Proteins, Carbohydrates, Nucleic acids
	Lipids Enzymes – How Enzymes Work; Enzyme Kinetics
	b. Biological Membranes and Transport Bioenergetics and Biochemica
	Reaction Types
	c. Carbohydrate metabolism - Glycolysis, Kreb's cycle, Gluconeogenes
	Lipid Biosynthesis & Fatty Acid Catabolism
	d. Biosynthesis of Amino Acids, Nucleotides, and Related Molecules Amin
	Acid Oxidation and the Production of Urea
	e. Hormonal Regulation and Metabolism
	f. Cell organization; Intracellular compartments Cytoskeleton & Ce
	Dynamics
	g. Cell junctions; Cell adhesion; Extracellular Matrix; Cell migration
	h. Cell signaling – Typical ligand-receptor systems; Intracellular signalir
	systems; Signal transduction
	i. Cell growth & Division - Basic mechanism of mitosis & apoptos
	Oncogenes, Tumor Suppressor Genes, and Programmed Cell Dea
	Overview of Molecular Genetics; Cytogenetics & Molecular cytogenetic
	Epigenomics; Gene cloning; Gene therapy
MCE 102	Reproduction and Embryology-I (Basics)
	a. Gametogenesis: Conversion of germ cells into male gamete
	Gametogenesis: Conversion of germ cells into female gametes
	b. Ovulation (ovarian cycle, menstrual cycle) Fertilization
	c. Implantation Bilaminar germ disc Trilaminar germ disc
	d. The embryonic period (overview) The fetus
MCE 103	Reproductive Anatomy
	a. Male reproductive system (gross anatomy, neuroendovascular supply)
	b. Female reproductive system (gross anatomy, neuroendovascular suppl
MCE 104	Reproductive Physiology
	a. Mechanism of action of hormone and receptor concerned wi
lidy	reproduction Neuroendocrine control of reproduction and feedbac
Ster)	mechanism Hormones: gonadotropins, prolactin, melatonin
	b. Hormones: Estrogen, progesterone, testosterone Hormones: Inhibin I
	AMH, Activin, Leptin, etc Hormones: T3, T4, TSH, Cortisol, DHE
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	Metabolic control of reproduction c. Physiology of Pregnancy, parturition and lactation Basics of immune
	system
	d. Immunophysiology of male and female reproduction
	e. Immunology of pregnancy Pubertal changes
	f. Reproductive Ageing – Menopause; Andropause Sexual behavior – Mal
	& Female
	g. Epigenetics of reproduction
	h. Methods of fertility regulation in male and female
	i. Prevention of sexually transmitted diseases and Reproductive healt
	Reproductive toxicology
MCE105	Research Methodology-I (Including Research project / Dissertation topic
	selection)
	a. Introduction to research methodology- Types of research, Descriptiv
	vs. Analytical, Applied vs. Fundamental, Quantitative vs. Qualitative
	Conceptual vs. Empirical, Some Other Types of Research
	b. Study Designs-Observational Studies- Epidemiological study designs
	Observational studies, Descriptive studies; Case reports, Case series
	Analytical studies; Case control studies, Cohort studies, Cross sectional
	c. Experimental Studies- Experimental studies (Intervention studies)
	Randomized control trials (Clinical trials), Field trials, Community trials.
	d. Literature Search and Search engines
	e. Sources of evidence and level of evidences
	Practical
MCE106	Laboratory Techniques-I (Including Seminars/Journal Club)
	1. Basic instrumentation
	A. pH meter
	B. Centrifuges
	C. Microscopes
	D. Electrophoresis
	E. Water bath
	F. Incubator
	2. Genetic Manipulation / Nucleic Acid-related Techniques
	A. Isolation of genomic DNA
	B. Isolation of RNA and cDNA preparation
	C. Amplify DNA by PCR
	C. Amplify DNA by PCR D. Agarose gel electrophoresis
	C. Amplify DNA by PCRD. Agarose gel electrophoresisE. Cloning of DNA into plasmid
	 C. Amplify DNA by PCR D. Agarose gel electrophoresis E. Cloning of DNA into plasmid F. Transformation of plasmid into bacteria
	 C. Amplify DNA by PCR D. Agarose gel electrophoresis E. Cloning of DNA into plasmid F. Transformation of plasmid into bacteria 3. Protein-related Techniques
	 C. Amplify DNA by PCR D. Agarose gel electrophoresis E. Cloning of DNA into plasmid F. Transformation of plasmid into bacteria 3. Protein-related Techniques A. 1-D SDS-PAGE(Polyacrylamide gel electrophoresis)
	 C. Amplify DNA by PCR D. Agarose gel electrophoresis E. Cloning of DNA into plasmid F. Transformation of plasmid into bacteria 3. Protein-related Techniques

6.2 Semester-II

	Theory
Subject Code	Subject
MCE 201	Molecular Biology and Immunology
o deep vigy as	a. Central Dogma of Molecular Biology- DNA Replication; Mutations & Repair Mechanisms; Recombination Transcription – Synthesis of RNA; RNA Processing; Regulation Translation – Mechanism; Regulation
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	 b. Protein Metabolism – Synthesis; Targeting and Degradation c. Regulation of Gene Expression d. Molecular Diagnostics- Blotting techniques, DNA Cloning, DN recombinant technology, Polymerase chain reaction, Fluorescent in-si hybridization, Microarray technique, Recent advances e. Basics of Immunology-Antigens, Antibodies, Vaccines, Immunology pregnancy, Clinical aspects
MCE 202	Reproduction and Embryology-II
	 a. The fetal membranes and placenta Birth defects and prenatal diagnosis b. Development of male reproductive system I (Gonads, genital duct glands) c. Development of male reproductive system II (External genitalia, desce of testis)
	 d. Development of female reproductive system I (Gonads, genital duct glands) e. Development of male reproductive system II (External genitalia, desce of ovaries)
MCE 203	Clinical Aspects of Reproduction
	 a. Sexual differentiation & developmental abnormalities – male & fema Menstrual disorders – Precocious, delayed or absent pubert Amenorrhea Fertility disorders – Sexual dysfunction; Infertilit Spontaneous pregnancy loss Pregnancy disorders – Pre-eclampsi IUGR, Labour abnormalities b. Endocrine disorders – Hyperprolactinemia Autoimmune disorders c. Genetic disorders (mutations and syndromes) d. Cancers and biomarkers – Testicular; Prostate; Ovarian; Endometria Cervical; Breast e. Reproductive pathology
MCE 204	Research Methodology-II Biostatistics (Including Research project /
13 Contraction	 Dissertation work and) a. Introduction to Biostatistics - scope & need for the application statistical methods in medical and biological data b. Definition of different terms in statistical methods - Scale measurements; Methods of data collection c. Presentation of data - statistical tables, diagrams and graphs; Needs for reduction of data - measures of average and location d. Measures of dispersion - Range, quartile deviation, mean deviation ar standard deviation; Concepts of statistical population and sample need for sampling studies, Simple procedures of random samplin Methods of sampling e. Probability: Basics concepts and theorems of probability f. Standard error, estimation and testing the statistical significance; Te of significance: Normal deviate test (Z test); Student's t tests; Ch Squared tests; F - Test and one way analysis of variance and multiprange tests; Two way analysis of variance and multiple range test; Nor Parametric statistical methods; Correlation - definition and applicatio

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	Regression - definition and application; Statistical methods in Diagnostic Tests
	Practical
MCE 205	Laboratory Techniques-II (Including Seminars/Journal Club)
	1. Cell Biology Techniques
	A. Cell line culture & maintenance
	B. Phase contrast microscopy / photography
	C. Bright-field & fluorescence microscopy
	D. Immunocytochemistry
	E. Transfection of cell line
	2. Immunobiology Techniques
	A. Radioimmuno assay (RIA)
	B. Enzyme linked Immuno Assay (ELISA)
	C. Chemiluminescent Immunoassay (CMIA) Automated – Demo only
	3. Molecular Cytogenetics Techniques
	A. Karyotyping
	B. Fluorescent In Situ Hybridization (FISH)
	C. PCR & Real-Time PCR
	D. QF-PCR / Genetic Analyzer
	Extra-curricular activities

6.3 Semester-III

	Theory
Subject Code	Subject
MCE 301	Basics of Microbiology and Pharmacology
	a. Sterilization- Autoclave Incineration Plasma sterilization, Microway Sterilization
	b. Disinfection- Low level disinfectants and uses, Mid level disinfectant
	and uses, High level disinfectants and uses, Disinfection in a tertian care hospital and biosafety cabinet
	c. Nosocomial infection- Surgical site infection(SSI), Ventilator associated pneumonia, Central linear associated blood stream infection, Cathete associated urinary tract infection, Hand wash technique
	d. Sexually transmitted diseases- HIV,HBV,HCV, White discharge per vagina Ulcers, Bubo Pustules
	e. TORCH infections- Toxoplasmosis, Rubella, Cytomegalovirus, Herpe virus, Syphilis
	f. Genital tuberculosis and infertility
	 g. General Pharmacological Principles- Routes of drug administratic Novel drug delivery systems, Drug dosage forms,
	h. Pharmacokinetics- Absorption, Distribution, Metabolism, Excretion drugs
	i. Pharmacodynamics- Receptors and transducer mechanisms, Advers Drug Reactions (including Teratogenicity)
7	j. Hormones and Related Drugs- Anterior Pituitary hormones, Posterior Pituitary hormones (Oxytocin and Vasopressin Other drugs acting of uterway). Some hormones (Estimation of Anti-
NOV 3CO	uterus), Sex hormones (Estrogens & Anti estrogens, Progesterone Anti-Progesterone, Oral Contraceptives pills, Various hormon
	dosage forms, Androgens & Anti-Androgens), Thyroid hormone ar thyroid inhibitors-I, Diabetes Mellitus -Insulin and Oral hypoglycaem

	drugs Corticosteroids
	k. Treatment of Infertility- Treatment of erectile dysfunction and male
	infertility Drugs therapy of Female Infertility
	I. Screening Methods for anti-fertility agents- Evaluation of drugs for
	female infertility, Evaluation of drugs for male infertility
MCE 302	Assisted Reproductive Techniques-I (Basics)
	a. Semen analysis
	b. Ovulation induction; Oocyte retrieval; In vitro maturation In vitro
	c. ICSI, GIFT etc.
	d. Cryopreservation of gametes & embryos; Vitrification Embryo biopsy
	Embryo hatching
	e. Pre-implantation genetic diagnosis (PGD)
	f. Stem cells & therapeutic cloning
MCE 303	Ethics, Regulatory laws & Guidelines
	a. Ethical practices
	 National legislation (what is allowed in your country)
	Ethical consideration
	Code of practice
	b. National & International guidelines for ART Laws regulating gameter
	donors & surrogacy
MCE 304	Research Methodology-III (Including Research project / Dissertation work)
	1. Research Ethics and Principles
	2. Uses of epidemiology
	3. Applications of Research Designs in Medical Research
	4. Scientific writing
	5. Presentation of Research work
	Practical
MCE 305	Laboratory Techniques-III (Including Seminars/Journal Club)
	1. Reproductive Biology Techniques (Mouse model)
	A. Super-ovulation
	B. Isolation of oocytes and sperm from mice
	C. In Vitro Fertilization (IVF)
	D. Culture of zygote to blastocyst stage
	E. Mating & checking copulation plug
	F. Collection & isolation of pre-implantation embryo
	G. In vitro maturation of GV-stage oocytes
	H. Intra-Cytoplasmic Sperm Injection (ICSI) / Micromanipulation
	I. Sperm / oocyte / zygote cryopreservation
	Extracurricular Activities

6.4 Semester-IV

	Theory	
Subject Code	Subject	
MCE 401	Good Laboratory Practices	
	a. Cryopreservation programme & quality assurance	
DORD VID	 Principles for freezing and thawing of cells 	
a dea	Basic cryobiology	
	 Cryoprotectants, additives 	
	Slow freezing	
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 b. Sperm selection methods IMSI ((Intracytoplasmic Morphologically-selected Sperm Injection)
 Time-lapse embryo development monitoring system
 Transcryptomics Proteomics, Metabolomics
a. Innovative techniques in human embryo viability assessment
Assisted Reproductive Techniques-II (Recent Advances)
Actions upon injury
 Rules and regulations, Protective measurements (gloves, masks etc)
Hygiene,
k. Staff protection
logbooksIf/ how/when to bring in new methods
 monitoring, use of key performance indicators
validations
 SOP's traceability
 Monitoring of performance, index variables SOB's
 Identification procedures
j. Quality assurance
 safety coding
keeping records
confidentiality
 data Identity check
i. Quality assessment, statistics, handling data, ethics, legislation- Patient
Natural cycles
Monitoring and timing of the FET-cycle
Security h. The FET treatment cycle
Minimul safety requirements
 Media, contamination from storage medium (what and why)
MachinesStraws/ampoules
g. Equipment
Theory and practice
f. Testicular freezing / thawing
 e. Ovarian freezing /thawing or vitrification/warming Theory and practice
Theory and practice
d. Embryo freezing / thawing or vitrification /warming
 c. Oocyte freezing/ thawing or vitrification /warming Theory and practice
Theory and practice Operate frequency (theoring or vitrification (worming))
 Advantages/ disadvantages with different methods b. Sperm freezing / thawing

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	 MACS (Magnetic-Activated Cell Sorting) c. Mitochondrial transfer techniques Risks in the IVF Laboratory Contaminated samples Processing and storage of sample known/suspected to be contaminated with contagious agents d. Adverse events, back-up strategies How to avoid, what to do? e.g. Mix-up of gametes, loss or damage during handling Transfer of wrong embryos Breakdown of equipment, back-up strategies Trouble shooting
MCE 403	Research Project and Dissertation work (Submission at the end of first half)
	Practical
MCE 404	Laboratory Techniques-IV (Including Seminars/Journal Club)
	1. Practicals aspects related to MCE404
	2. Reproductive Biology Techniques (Human)
	A. Semen analysis – Manual & CASA; Sperm capability
	B. Human IVF lab – Rotation & Demo only

7. Scheme of Evaluation

- 7.1 Semester Examination
 - 7.1.1 Internal Examination
 - Theory

Total marks: 30 (Calculated from Best of two internal exams) Total internal examinations to be conducted: 02

Practical

Total marks: 20 (Calculated from Best of two internal exams) Total internal practical examinations to be conducted: 02

7.1.2 End-semester Examination

Theory

Total Marks: 100 (70 + 30 internal marks)

Practical

Total Marks: 50 (30 + 20 internal marks)

7.1.3 Passing standard: 50%

8. Paper Pattern

8.1 Internal Theory Exam

	Time 1.5 hours	Max. Marks 30
	Question-1 Write answers to Objective type of questions (Any	5x1= 05
	05)	
_	Question-2 Write short answer questions (Any 10)	10x2= 20
р	Question-3 Long answer question (Any one)	1x5= 05

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Time 2 hours	Max. Marks 20
Question-1 Major exercise/s	10
Question-2 Minor Exercise/s	05
Question-3 Viva-voce	05

8.3 End-semester Theory Exam

Time 3 hours	Max. Marks 70
Question-1 Write answers to Objective type of questions (Any	10x1= 10
10)	
Question-2 Write short answer questions (Any 10)	10x5= 50
Question-3 Long answer question (Any one)	1x10= 10

8.4 End-semester Practical Exam

Time 3 hours	Max. Marks 30
Question-1 Major exercise/s	15
Question-2 Minor Exercise/s	05
Question-3 Viva-voce (with dissertation presentation in semester-IV)	10

9. Project/ Dissertation work

- a. Project work will be carried out individually and mandatorily.
- b. Projects will be allotted by the end of semester II.
- c. In-house projects are preferred.
- d. Students may be allowed to carry out the project work in collaboration with other research institutes, start-ups or larger companies.
- e. Co-guides from the collaborating institution/company are allowed.
- f. Internal assessment on project work will be made by the guide/s for 30 marks and will be based on the student's day to day performance in the laboratory.
- g. The dissertation will be evaluated by two external examiners.
- h. The project viva voce examination will be held during practicals at the end of last semester. The mark for the same will be added in the practical.

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