

SEMESTER 1. ZY1CRT01. CORE COURSE 1.

GENERAL PERSPECTIVES IN SCIENCE & PROTISTAN DIVERSITY

36 Hrs

Credits 2

Objectives:

- To create an awareness on the basic philosophy of science, concepts and scope
- To understand different levels of biological diversity through the systematic classification
- To familiarize taxa level identification of animals
- To make interest in Protistan diversity
- To impart knowledge on parasitic forms of lower invertebrates.

PART I PERSPECTIVES IN SCIENCE

8Hrs

Module I Introduction to Scientific Studies

4Hrs

Types of knowledge: practical, theoretical, and scientific knowledge. What is science, features of science, Deductive and inductive models, scientific temper, empiricism vocabulary of science.

Module II What is Biology?

4 Hrs

Life and its manifestations, History of Biology: Biology in ancient times Landmarks in the progress of Biology. Branches of Zoology , Scope of Zoology

PART II SYSTEMATICS

10 Hrs

Module III–Taxonomical Principles and tools

Systematic, Taxonomy, Phylogeny [Brief account] , Approaches to taxonomy, Molecular taxonomy, .Bar coding. Zoological nomenclature, International Code of Zoological Nomenclature (ICZN), Law of Priority. Five Kingdom Classification; Linnaean classification, Basis for Animal kingdom classification [Levels of organization, Symmetry, Coelom]

Identification tools

Taxonomic key. Types: Single access key- Dichotomous [linked and nested] and Polytomous key, Multi access key, Computer aided Interactive Key

Advantages and Disadvantages

PART III: PROTISTAN DIVERSITY

18 Hrs

Module IV – Kingdom Protista Type: *Paramecium*

5 Hrs

Salient features of Kingdom Protista

10 Hrs

Classification of Protista up to phyla

1. Phylum Rhizopoda :Eg. *Amoeba*
2. Phylum Actinopoda : Eg. *Actinophrys*
3. Phylum Dinoflagellata : Eg. *Noctiluca*
4. Phylum Parabasalia : Eg. *Trychonympha*
5. Phylum Metamonada : Eg. *Giardia*
6. Phylum Kinetoplasta : Eg. *Trypanosoma*
7. Phylum Euglenophyta : Eg. *Euglena*
8. Phylum Cryptophyta : Eg. *Cryptomonas*
9. Phylum Opalinata : Eg. *Opalina*
10. Phylum Bacillariophyta :Eg. Diatoms
11. Phylum Chlorophyta :Eg. *Volvox*
12. Phylum Choanoflagellata :Eg. *Proterospongia*
13. Phylum Ciliophora : Eg. *Balantidium coli*
14. Phylum Sporozoa : Eg. *Plasmodium*
15. Phylum Microsporidia :Eg. *Nosema*
16. Phylum Rhodophyta :Eg. Red Alga

(Mention any five general characters for each phylum. Detailed accounts of examples are not necessary.)

General Topics:

3 Hrs

1. Parasitic protists (diseases mode of transmission and prophylactic measures) -
Entamoeba, Trypanosoma, Plasmodium (detailed account of life cycle), Leishmania .

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SEMESTER 1

CORE COURSE PAPER 1

PERSPECTIVES IN SCIENCE & PROTISTAN DIVERSITY

(PRACTICAL)

36 Hrs

2 Credits

1. Taxa, identification techniques
Bird body parts
Butterfly/ dragonfly body parts
2. Identification using keys
Insect, Fish, Snake (Poisonous & Non Poisonous)
(Any 3 specimens from each category)
3. General identification - The students are expected to identify any 6 Protiatans studied by their generic names and write the general characters of their Phylum.
4. Identification of any 4 economically important protists/parasitic protists
(Slides/figures may be used for identification)
5. Identification of two Protistan from pond water

SEMESTER 11. ZY2CRT02

CORE COURSE 11: ANIMAL DIVERSITY - NON CHORDATA

36 Hrs

Credits 2

Objectives:

- To create appreciation on diversity of life on earth
- To understand different levels of biological diversity through the systematic classification of invertebrate fauna
- To familiarize taxa level identification of animals
- To understand the evolutionary significance of invertebrate fauna
- To instill curiosity on invertebrates around us
- To impart knowledge on parasitic forms of lower invertebrates.