

SEMESTER-IV
COURSE 9: EMBRYOLOGY

Theory

Credits: 3

3 hrs/week

LEARNING OBJECTIVES

- The objective of this course is to provide a comprehensive understanding of the concepts of early animal development.
- Students taking this course must develop a critical appreciation of methodologies specifically used to study the process of embryonic development in animals.
- In this course different concepts of animal development will be elaborated
- Students will be made familiar with different approaches that have been used to study embryology.
- Topics that will be discussed are organogenesis and regeneration.

LEARNING OUTCOMES:

The overall course outcome is that the student shall develop deeper understanding of concepts of embryology. This course will provide students with a deep knowledge in embryology by the completion of the course the graduate shall able to –

- Understand the historical perspective and concepts of embryology
- Acquire knowledge on gametogenesis, fertilization and cleavage patterns
- Understand the fate of germinal layers and extraembryonic membranes
- Explain the process of regeneration in certain animals
- Examine the process of organogenesis

SYLLABUS:

UNIT-I:

- 1.1 Historical perspective and basic concepts: Phases of development
- 1.2 Cell-Cell interaction, Pattern formation, Differentiation and growth
- 1.3 Differential gene expression,
- 1.4 Cytoplasmic determinants and asymmetric cell division

Activity: Assignment /Students Seminar/Quiz/Project/Peer teaching/Report writing after watching any video on the above

Evaluation: Instructor supposed to prepare a detailed Rubrics for the evaluation of the above activity

UNIT-II:

- 2.1 Gametogenesis, Spermatogenesis, Oogenesis;
- 2.2 Types of eggs, Egg membranes; Fertilization (External and Internal)
- 2.3 Planes and patterns of cleavage; Types of Blastulae; Fate maps
- 2.4 Early development of frog and chick up to gastrulation

Activity: Assignment /Students Seminar/Quiz/Project/Peer teaching/Report writing after watching any video on the above/Model preparation on cleavage planes

Evaluation: Instructor supposed to prepare a detailed Rubrics for the evaluation of the above activity

UNIT-III:

- 3.1 Fate of Germ Layers
- 3.2 Extra-embryonic membranes
- 3.3 Placenta (Structure, types and functions of placenta)
- 3.4 Amniocentesis

Activity: *Assignment /Students Seminar/Quiz/Project/Peer teaching/Report writing after watching any video on the above/Chart preparation on the placenta*

Evaluation: *Instructor supposed to prepare a detailed Rubrics for the evaluation of the above activity*

UNIT-IV:

- 4.1 Metamorphosis: Changes, hormonal regulations in amphibians
- 4.2 Regeneration: Modes of regeneration, epimorphosis, morphallaxis and compensatory regeneration (in Turbellarians)
- 4.3 Ageing: Concepts and Theories
- 4.4 Teratogenic agents and their effects on embryonic development

Activity: *Assignment /Students Seminar/Quiz/Project/Peer teaching/Report writing after watching any video on the above /Flow chart preparation on the process of metamorphosis highlighting the periodical changes vs hormone activity*

Evaluation: *Instructor supposed to prepare a detailed Rubrics for the evaluation of the above activity*

UNIT-V:

- 5.1 Organogenesis of Central Nervous system
- 5.2 Organogenesis of Eye, Ear
- 5.3 Organogenesis of Skin
- 5.3 Organogenesis of Circulatory system
- (* Organogenesis in Human need to be explained)

Activity: *Assignment /Students Seminar/Quiz/Project/Peer teaching/Report writing after watching any video on the above /Flow chart preparation on the process of organogenesis highlighting the gradual developments of organ systems*

Evaluation: *Instructor supposed to prepare a detailed Rubrics for the evaluation of the above activity*

Co-curricular activities (Suggested)

- Preparation of models of different types of eggs in animals
- Chart on frog embryonic development, fate map of frog blastula, cleavage etc.
- Chart on the organogenesis
- RBPT on the Placenta
- Model of extra embryonic membrane
- Laboratory observation of chick embryonic development

REFERENCES BOOKS:

- Developmental Biology by Balinsky
- Developmental Biology by Gerard Karp
- Chordate embryology by Varma and Agarwal
- Embryology by V.B. Rastogi

- Austen CR and Short RV. 1980. *Reproduction in Mammals*. Cambridge University Press.
- Gilbert SF. 2006. *Developmental Biology*, 8th Edition. Sinauer Associates Inc., Publishers, Sunderland, USA.
- Longo FJ. 1987. *Fertilization*. Chapman & Hall, London.
- Rastogi VB and Jayaraj MS. 1989. *Developmental Biology*. Kedara Nath Ram Nath Publishers, Meerut, Uttar Pradesh.
- Schatten H and Schatten G. 1989. *Molecular Biology of Fertilization*. Academic Press, New York.

SEMESTER-IV
COURSE 9: EMBRYOLOGY

Practical

Credits: 1

2 hrs/week

LEARNING OBJECTIVES

- The objective of this course is to provide a comprehensive practical knowledge on the embryology
- Must develop a critical understanding of the early embryological events
- Acquire knowledge on the developmental stages of chick
- Understand the histology of placenta

SYLLABUS:

1. Study of whole mounts and sections of developmental stages of frog through permanent slides: Cleavage stages, blastula, gastrula, neurula, tail-bud stage, tadpole (external and internal gill stages)
2. Study of whole mounts of developmental stages of chick through permanent slides: Primitive streak (13 and 18 hours), 21, 24, 28, 33, 36, 48, 72, and 96 hours of incubation (Hamilton and Hamburger stages)
3. Study of different sections of placenta (photomicrograph/ slides)
4. Project report on chick embryo development

REFERENCE WEB LINKS:

- <https://praxilabs.com/en/3d-simulations/cultivation-and-preparation-of-the-virus-in-chick-embryo-virtual-lab>
- <https://vlab.amrita.edu/>
- <https://www.vlab.co.in/>
- https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=p_tx88He8Pk
- <https://core.ac.uk/download/143957972.pdf>
- <https://egyankosh.ac.in/bitstream/123456789/57549/1/Exercise%207%20Chick%20Embryo.pdf>
- http://www.macollege.in/app/webroot/uploads/departments/materials/doc_501.pdf
- <http://www.zoologyresources.com/uploadfiles/books/dc64b77d8769325515d17c945e461b45.pdf>
