

## STELLA MARIS COLLEGE (AUTONOMOUS), CHENNAI – 600 086

### **Institutional Learning Outcomes**

Stella Maris College, an autonomous Catholic institution of higher education, is committed to the highest standards of academic excellence based on sound values and principles, where students are strengthened with whole person education to lead purposeful lives in service to the community and the nation.

The Institutional Learning Outcomes (ILOs) of Stella Maris College (SMC) reflect the broader mission and purpose of the institution. They are the overarching set of learning outcomes that all students, regardless of discipline, must achieve at graduation. All programme and course learning outcomes are mapped to the institutional outcomes, thus reflecting an overall alignment of values, knowledge and skills expected at programme completion. ILOs are designed to help guide individual departments and disciplines in the development of their programme learning outcomes.

The ILOs of SMC are formed by two components:

1. **Core commitments:** Knowledge and scholarship, values and principles, responsible citizenship, service to community
2. **Institutional values:** Quest for truth, spirit of selfless service, empowerment

### **Upon graduation, students of Stella Maris College will**

- Display mastery of knowledge and skills in their core discipline (**Knowledge and Scholarship**)
- Exhibit in all actions and attitudes a commitment to truth and integrity in all contexts, both personal and professional (**Values and Principles**)
- Demonstrate knowledge about their role in society at local and global levels, and actively work for social and environmental justice (**Responsible Citizenship**)
- Engage in the process of self-discovery through a life-long process of learning (**Quest for truth**)
- Demonstrate readiness to serve those who are in need (**Spirit of selfless service**)
- Be able to function effectively and with confidence in personal and professional contexts (**Empowerment**)

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### **Programme Learning Outcomes/Intended Programme Learning Outcomes**

Graduates of a Master's Degree of Stella Maris College will have a comprehensive knowledge of their disciplines, with indepth knowledge of the underlying principles and concepts in one or more disciplines as a basis for independent lifelong learning.

#### **At the end of a postgraduate programme students will be able to**

- Demonstrate mastery in the discipline
- Demonstrate deep understanding of the broad principles of science and technology and apply them in varied contexts
- Demonstrate knowledge, understanding and professionalism required for the discipline
- Demonstrate capability to locate, evaluate, manage, and use information/data and research to develop and guide their own knowledge, learning, and practice
- Demonstrate the ability to organise a presentation in a coherent fashion
- Demonstrate the literacy and numeracy skills necessary to understand and interpret information/data and communicate according to the context
- Draw on multiple, relevant/interrelated fields of study to understand, analyse and solve problems
- Exhibit principled decision making and reasoning to identify creative solutions to ethical problems
- Practice/act in ways that show a commitment to social justice and the processes of peace/conflict resolution
- Demonstrate the skills to appropriately interact with people from a range of cultural, linguistic, and religious backgrounds
- Demonstrate an understanding of local, regional, national, and global issues
- Identify themselves as agents of change
- Demonstrate the ability to solve an issue
- Show self-awareness and emotional maturity
- Demonstrate career and leadership readiness
- Exhibit the ability to work in teams
- Demonstrate sensitivity and readiness to share their knowledge and capabilities with the marginalised and oppressed in their communities

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**DEPARTMENT OF BIOINFORMATICS**

**PROGRAMME DESCRIPTION**

The M.Sc. programme in Bioinformatics at Stella Maris College was started in the year 2002. The programme gives a strong interdisciplinary foundation to Biology and Informatics with courses like Molecular Biology, and ensures adequate Programming skills in C++, Perl, R and Python. The programme includes recent advancements and internationally demanding research cum job courses like Next Generation Sequencing Analysis, Big Data Analysis and Molecular Modeling and Computer Aided Drug Design. Other courses like Data Mining, Algorithms, Clinical Research Management and Systems Biology cover not only the theoretical aspects of the field, but also the practical essentials of Bioinformatics. The Summer Internship is an integral part of the course, and is done at the end of the first year where the students intern in reputed institutions such as IGIB, IBAB, NCBS, IIT-M, IISc, etc., where they are involved in live projects, and acquire hands-on experience in both wet lab and dry lab techniques and learn work ethics as well. The students are encouraged to choose their area of interest and work under the guidance of the faculty for their Master's Dissertation during the fourth semester.

**PROGRAMME SPECIFIC LEARNING OUTCOMES**

On successful completion of the Course, students will be able to

- Foster interdisciplinary research in the fields such as computer science, biosciences, mathematics, chemistry and physical sciences
- Interpret biological information computationally
- Develop programming skills in the languages of C++, Perl, Python and R
- Analyse genomic data and contribute to personalised medicine
- Demonstrate entrepreneurial skills
- Establish Bioinformatics start-ups
- Prepare scientific reports to publish and present quality research
- Evaluate the experimental raw data to infer molecular models

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**M.Sc. DEGREE : BIOINFORMATICS**

**COURSES OF STUDY**

**(Effective from the academic year 2019-2020)**

**CHOICE BASED CREDIT SYSTEM**

C-Credit, L-Lecture Hours, T-Tutorial Hours, P- Practical Hours, Ex-Exam Hours, CA- Continous Assessment Marks, ES-End Semester Marks, M-Maximum Marks										
Subject Code	Title of Course	C	L	T	P	Ex	CA	ES	M	
<b>SEMESTER-I</b>										
19BI/PC/BM14	Biomolecules and Biochemistry	4	4	1	0	3	50	50	100	
19BI/PC/EB14	Essentials of Bioinformatics	4	4	0	2	3	50	50	100	
19BI/PC/CP14	Programming in C++ and Perl	4	3	0	2	3	50	50	100	
19BI/PC/DB14	Database Management Systems	4	3	0	2	3	50	50	100	
	SAP / SL	2	2	0	0	-	50	-	100	
	Department Elective I									
<b>SEMESTER-II</b>										
19BI/PC/MB24	Molecular Biology	4	4	1	0	3	50	50	100	
19BI/PC/P122	Molecular Biology-Practical	2	0	0	3	3	50	50	100	
19BI/PC/GP24	Genomics and Proteomics	4	3	0	2	3	50	50	100	
19BI/PC/RM24	Research Methodology	4	4	1	0	3	50	50	100	
CD / ET	Value Education	2	2	0	0	-	50	-	100	
19BI/PK/SS22	Soft Skills	2	2	0	0	-	50	-	100	
	Department Elective II									
	Common Elective I									
<b>SEMESTER-III</b>										
19BI/PC/PR34	Python and R Programming	4	4	1	0	3	50	50	100	
19BI/PC/P232	Python and R Programming-Practical	2	0	0	3	3	50	50	100	
19BI/PC/AL34	Algorithms for Bioinformatics	4	4	1	0	3	50	50	100	
19BI/PC/MC34	Molecular Modeling and Computer Aided Drug Deisgn	4	4	1	0	3	50	50	100	
19BI/PC/P332	Molecular Modeling and Computer Aided Drug Design-Practical	2	0	0	3	3	50	50	100	
CD / ET	Value Education	2	2	0	0	-	50	-	100	
19BI/PN/SI32	Summer Internship	2	2	0	0	-	50	-	100	
	Common Elective II									
<b>SEMESTER-IV</b>										
19BI/PC/AB44	Advances in Bioinformatics	4	4	1	0	3	50	50	100	
19BI/PC/BD44	Big Data Analysis	4	4	1	0	3	50	50	100	
19BI/PC/P442	Advances in Bioinformatics-Practical	2	0	0	3	3	50	50	100	
19BI/PC/DS47	Dissertation	7	0	0	9	0	50	50	100	
	Department Elective III									
<b>Postgraduate Elective Courses Offered to Parent Department</b>										
19BI/PE/CG15	Cell Biology and Genetics	5	4	1	0	3	50	50	100	
19BI/PE/BS15	Biomathematics and Biostatistics	5	4	1	0	3	50	50	100	
19BI/PE/DM15	Data Mining	5	4	1	0	3	50	50	100	
19BI/PE/IM15	Immunoinformatics	5	4	1	0	3	50	50	100	
19BI/PE/CR15	Basics of Clinical Research Management	5	4	1	0	3	50	50	100	
19BI/PE/CI15	Cheminformatics	5	4	1	0	3	50	50	100	
19BI/PE/BP15	Biophysics	5	4	1	0	3	50	50	100	

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<b>Postgraduate Elective Courses Offered to Other Departments</b>									
19BI/PE/IB23	Introduction to Bioinformatics	3	3	0	0	3	50	50	100
19BI/PE/AP23	Applications of Bioinformatics	3	3	0	0	3	50	50	100
19BI/PE/CD23	Computer Aided Drug Design	3	3	0	0	3	50	50	100
<b>Independent Elective Courses</b>									
19BI/PI/PG24	Pharmacogenomics	4	0	0	0	3	0	100	100
19BI/PI/SB24	Systems Biology	4	0	0	0	3	0	100	100

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**SYLLABUS**

(Effective from the academic year 2019-2020)

**BIOMOLECULES AND BIOCHEMISTRY**

**CODE: 19BI/PC/BM14**

**CREDITS: 4**

**L T P: 4 1 0**

**TOTAL TEACHING HOURS: 65**

**OBJECTIVES OF THE COURSE**

- To understand the concepts of the structure of biomolecules
- To understand the basics of metabolism and enzyme kinetics
- To give a basic understanding about the forces that determines the structure of biological macromolecules
- To provide knowledge about the techniques used in studying biological structure and function

**COURSE LEARNING OUTCOMES**

On Successful completion of the course, the student will be able to

- Understand the importance of structural studies in bioinformatics and
- Gain an insight about the forces that determines the structure of biological macromolecules
- Apply the knowledge gained to interpret the properties of biological macromolecules
- Apply the recent advances in Biochemistry and Biophysical techniques in Clinical Chemistry and Life science Research

**Unit 1 (15 Hours)**

**Biomolecules**

- 1.1 Basics of Biomolecules - Structure and functions of Atoms, Molecules and Chemical bonds.
- 1.2 Biomolecule structures – Carbohydrates, Lipids, and Nucleic acids
- 1.3 Water - Properties and its importance in Biosystems

**Unit 2 (10 Hours)**

**Metabolic Biochemistry**

- 2.1 Carbohydrate metabolism – Glycolysis, Glycogen metabolism, TCA cycle, HMP shunt
- 2.2 Protein metabolism – Oxidative Deamination, Transamination and Urea Cycle
- 2.3 Fatty acid metabolism-  $\beta$ - oxidation and Biosynthesis of fatty acids. Xenobiotics and general detoxification methods in the body

**Unit 3 (15 Hours)**

**Proteins**

- 3.1 Proteins - Levels of organisation, Amino acid properties, peptide bonds, disulphide bridges and other conformations.

- 3.2 Four levels of protein structure, The Ramachandran Plot, Structure prediction by crystallography
- 3.3 Folding pathways. Domains, Motifs and their importance

**Unit 4 (10 Hours)**

**Enzyme Kinetics and Bioenergetics**

- 4.1 Enzyme action Mechanisms, Enzyme Kinetics, Michaelis-Menten Equation, significance of  $V_{max}$  and  $K_m$ , Line weaver-Burk plot
- 4.2 Competitive and non-competitive Inhibition, Feedback inhibition. Enzyme regulation. Allosteric modulation
- 4.3 Thermodynamics systems - laws of thermodynamics, statement and applications – concepts of entropy and enthalpy

**Unit 5 (15 Hours)**

**Analytical Techniques**

- 5.1 Principles and applications of Visible, UV, IR spectroscopy, Raman spectroscopy and Fluorescence spectroscopy
- 5.2 Nuclear Magnetic Resonance -The phenomenon, One dimensional and Two dimensional, NMR application to Macromolecules
- 5.3 Mass Spectrometry for protein and peptide analysis, MALDI-TOF Analyser, Tandem Mass Analyser, The Ion Trap Mass Analyser, Q-TOF Instrument

**BOOKS FOR STUDY**

Albert, L. Lehninger, *Biochemistry*, Worth Publishing, UK. 2012.

Thomas. E. Creighton, *Proteins*, W. H. Freeman, New York.2012.

Igor, Serdyuk, Nathan R. Zaccai and Joseph Zaccai. *Methods in Molecular Physics*.UK: Cambridge University Press, 2007.

Narayanan P. *Introductory Biophysics* Mumbai, India: New Age Publishing Co., 2005

Kensal E.vanHolde, Johnson Curtis W. and Ho Shing P.*Principles of Physical Biochemistry*, USA: Prentice Hall International Inc., 2005.

**BOOKS FOR REFERENCE**

Champe, Pamela C, Richard A. Harvey and Denise R. Ferrier. *Lippincott's Illustrated Reviews: Biochemistry*, India: J.P. Brothers Medical Publishers, 2013.

Garrett, H. Reginald and Grisham, M. Charles. *Biochemistry*. USA: Thomson–BroCole, 2012.

Jeremy, M. Berg. *Biochemistry*, New York: W.H. Freeman, 2010.

Lubert and Stryer. *Biochemistry*, New York: W.H. Freeman, 2012.

Voet, D. and Voet, G. *Biochemistry*, New York: John Wiley and Sons Inc, 2012.

Bengt Nolting. *Methods in Modern Biophysics*, Germany: Springer, 2004.

D.Freifelder. *Physical Biochemistry*. New York, USA: W.H.Freeman and Company, 1982.

Banwell C.N. *Fundamentals of Molecular Spectroscopy*. New Delhi India: Tata McGraw-Hill Publishing Company Lt., 1994.

D.Sherwood, *Crystals, X-rays and Proteins*. London, UK: Longman Group Lts., 1976.

### **JOURNALS**

Journal of Biochemistry

Indian Journal of Clinical Biochemistry

Biochemistry

Biophysical Journal

European Biophysics Journal

Journal of Biophysics

### **WEBSITES**

<http://www.biophysics.org/Education/Careers/CareersinBiophysics/tabid/112/Default.aspx>

[http://www.rcsb.org/pdb/101/static101.do?p=education\\_discussion/Looking-at-Structures/methods.html](http://www.rcsb.org/pdb/101/static101.do?p=education_discussion/Looking-at-Structures/methods.html)

<http://www2.chemistry.msu.edu/faculty/reusch/VirtTxtJml/Spectrpy/MassSpec/masspec1.htm>

[www.themedicalbiochemistrypage.org](http://www.themedicalbiochemistrypage.org)

[www.biochemistry.org](http://www.biochemistry.org)

### **PATTERN OF ASSESSMENT**

**Continuous Assessment:** **Total Marks: 50** **Duration: 90 mins.**

Section A – 10 x 1 = 10 Marks (All questions to be answered)

Section B – 2 x 10 = 20 Marks (2 out of 4 to be answered)

Section C – 1x 20 = 20 Marks (1 out of 2 to be answered)

**Other Components:** **Total Marks: 50**

Assignment/Open book test/Case study/Clinical implications of metabolic pathways/  
Diagnostic applications of biochemicals/Role of Biomarkers

**End Semester Examination:** **Total Marks: 100** **Duration: 3 Hours**

Section A – 20 x 1 = 20 Marks (All questions to be answered)

Section B – 4 x 10 = 40 Marks (4 out of 7 to be answered)

Section C – 2 x 20 = 40 Marks (2 out of 4 to be answered)



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**ESSENTIALS OF BIOINFORMATICS**

**CODE: 19BI/PC/EB14**

**CREDITS: 4**

**L T P: 4 0 2**

**TOTAL TEACHING HOURS: 78**

**OBJECTIVES OF THE COURSE**

- To provide an integrative approach to the understanding of both theory and practice of bioinformatics
- To apply biological concepts at different levels to study gene / protein analysis, and the proteins implicated in diseases
- To understand the evolution of the life

**COURSE LEARNING OUTCOMES**

On successful completion of the course, the student will be able to

- Better understanding of the bioinformatics concepts
- Applications of the gene and protein sequence analysis
- Apprehending the different databases in bioinformatics
- Perform a complete analysis of the genes and protein
- Compare and identify the differences in sequences

**Unit 1 (16 Hours)**

**Introduction to Biological Databases**

- 1.1 Type of Databases, Public Biological Databases – NCBI, EBI, CMBI, OMIM. Primary Nucleotide Sequence Databases: EMBL, GenBank, DDBJ
- 1.2 Secondary Nucleotide Sequence Databases: UniGene, SGD. Sequence Submission Methods and Tools (Sequin, Sakura, Bankit)
- 1.3 Sequence Retrieval Systems (Entrez & SRS); Sequence File Formats and Conversion Tools. Finding Scientific Articles, Using Pubmed

**Unit 2 (16 Hours)**

**Introduction to Sequence Alignment**

- 2.1 Protein Alignment, Homology, Similarity, Identity, Gaps
- 2.2 Pairwise alignments: Dot Plots, Scoring Matrix-PAM, BLOSUM, Gap Penalty
- 2.3 Dynamics programming - Alignment Algorithms: Global Sequence Alignment: Needleman-Wunsch Algorithm. Local Sequence Alignment: Smith –Waterman Algorithm. Rapid, Heuristic Versions of Smith Waterman: FASTA

**Unit 3 (16 Hours)**

**Basic Local Alignment Search Tool**

- 3.1 BLAST Search Steps, Search Strategy, General concepts

- 3.2 BLAST Algorithm: Local Alignment Search Statistics and E Value. Raw Scores and Bit Scores, Relation between E and P Values. Gapped Alignments in BLAST, Evaluation of Results
- 3.3 Advanced BLAST Searching-Specialised BLAST sites: - Organism Specific BLAST Sites, Ensemble BLAST, TIGR BLAST, PSI-BLAST

**Unit 4 (15 Hours)**

**Multiple Sequence Alignment**

- 4.1 Definition of Multiple Sequence Alignment
- 4.2 Databases of Multiple Sequence Alignment Programs- BLOCKS, PRINTS
- 4.3 Integrated Multiple Sequence Alignment Resources: InterPro, iProClass

**Unit 5 (15 Hours)**

**Evolutionary Analysis**

- 5.1 Introduction to Evolutionary Analysis, Bootstrap, Tree Construction Methods
- 5.2 Neighbor-Joining Method, Unweighted Pair Group Method with Arithmetic Mean (UPGMA)
- 5.3 Maximum Parsimony Method and Maximum-Likelihood Method

**BOOKS FOR STUDY**

Pevsner, Jonathan. *Bioinformatics and Functional Genomics*. USA: John Wiley, 2009.

Baxevanis, Andreas, D. and Francis B.F. Ouellette, *Bioinformatics- A Practical Guide to the Analysis of Genes and Proteins*. New York: John Wiley, 2004.

David W. Mount. *Bioinformatics Sequence and Genome Analysis*. :CBS Publishers, 2003.

**BOOKS FOR REFERENCE:**

Baldi, P. and Brunak, S. *Bioinformatics: Machine Learning Approach*. USA: MIT Press, 2003.

Chen and Yi-Ping Phoebe. *Bioinformatics Technologies*. Germany: Springer, 2005.

Durbin, R., S. Eddy, A. Krogh and G. Mitchison. *Biological Sequence Analysis: Probabilistic Models of Proteins and Nucleic Acids*. USA: Cambridge University Press, 2005.

Higgins, Des and Willie Taylor. *Bioinformatics –Sequence, Structure and Databanks – Practical Approach*. London: Oxford University Press, 2001.

Lesk, Arthur M. *Introduction to Bioinformatics*. UK: Oxford University Press, 2014.

**JOURNALS**

BMC Bioinformatics

Bioinformatics

Journal of Bioinformatics and Computational Biology

Journal of Biomedical Informatics

Journal of Integrative Bioinformatics

## **WEB RESOURCES**

<http://bioinformaticsweb.net/tools.html>

<https://www.bits.vib.be/index.php/training/122-basic-bioinformatics>

<http://bioinformaticssoftwareandtools.co.in/>

<http://www.genscript.com/tools.html>

## **PATTERN OF ASSESSMENT**

**Continuous Assessment Test:            Total Marks: 50            Duration: 90 minutes**

### **Theory:**

Section A – 15 x 1 = 15 Marks (All questions to be answered)

Section B – 2 x 5 = 10 Marks (2 out of 4 to be answered)

### **Practical:**

Section C – 2 x 10 = 20 Marks

1 x 5 = 5 Marks

**Other Components:                            Total Marks: 50**

Assignment/Test/Seminars

**End Semester Examination:            Total Marks: 100            Duration: 3 hours**

### **Theory:**

Section A – 20 x 1 = 20 Marks (All questions to be answered)

Section B – 2 x 15 = 30 Marks (2 out of 4 to be answered)

### **Practical:**

Section C – 5 x 10 = 50 Marks

Questions comprising the following:

Primary Nucleotide Sequence Databases: NCBI, EMBL, DDBJ

Basic Local Alignment Search Tool (BLAST)

Protein Sequence Databases – PIR, RefSeq, Swiss-Prot

Protein Structure Databases – PDB

Protein Family Databases – Pfam, TIGRFAM

Protein Visualization Tools- Rasmol, Swiss PDB Viewer

Specialized Database -IMGT

Multiple Sequence Alignment Tools: Clustal W

Phylogenetic Tree Construction Tool: MEGA

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**SYLLABUS**

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**PROGRAMMING IN C++ AND PERL**

**CODE: 19BI/PC/CP14**

**CREDITS : 4**

**L T P : 3 0 2**

**TOTAL TEACHING HOURS: 65**

**OBJECTIVES OF THE COURSE**

- To facilitate the students in gaining programming skills.
- To enable the students to design and execute C++ and Perl scripts
- To interpolate biological demands through programming

**COURSE LEARNING OUTCOMES**

On successful completion of the course, the student will be able to

- Learn the basics of programming
- Relate the necessity for programming in biology
- Handling biological concepts with C++ and Perl scripts
- Apply programming to analyze genomic sequences
- Understand Bio-Perl and their application in bioinformatics to handle the complex data

**Unit 1 (12 Hours)**

**Introduction to Programming language**

- 1.1 Introduction to Programming, Machine/Assembly Language, Higher Level Languages, Simple and Compound Data, Code: Syntax and Semantics
- 1.2 Introduction to Programming in C++: C++ Characteristics, Tokens, Keywords, Identifiers and Constants, Basic Data Types, User Defined Data Types, Derived Data Types, Expressions and Control Structures
- 1.3 Functions and Variables: Scope, Declaration and Definition, Arrays and Strings in C++

**Unit 2 (13 Hours)**

**Object Oriented Programming – C++**

- 2.1 Object Oriented Programming – Using Objects, Classes, Encapsulation, Inheritance, Abstraction and Polymorphism. Using Constructors, Destructors, Friend functions
- 2.2 String manipulation – creating string objects, Standard Streams, String operators Manipulating String, String characteristics, Comparing and Swapping
- 2.3 Working with files – File streams, Open, close, EOF, updating files and error Handling.

**Unit 3 (15 Hours)**

**Introduction to Perl Programming**

- 3.1 Introduction, Statements and Declarations, Default Variable, Expressions, Statements, Operators in Perl, Control Structures
- 3.2 Variable Types and Data types– Scalar, Arrays, Hashes. Functions- split, join, length, lcfirst, ucfirst, index and exists
- 3.3 Creating Regular Expressions-Characters, Character Classes, Alternative Match Patterns, Quantifiers, Assertions, Back References, Modifiers and Translator

**Unit 4 (13 Hours)**

**Subroutines and File Handling**

- 4.1 Subroutines- Defining Subroutines, Returning Values, Using Arguments
- 4.2 Files- Overview and working with File handles, Various Ways of Opening a Perl File Handlers- Normal Scalar variable, Use Perl IO, Open the Standard Input and Standard Output, Use Sysopen (). Closing the files, printing, renaming files
- 4.3 Reading and writing perl – arrays and hash files

**Unit 5 (12 Hours)**

**Bioperl**

- 5.1 Introduction to Bioperl: Installation Procedures, Architecture, Uses of Bioperl
- 5.2 Modules of bioperl- seq, seqio, alignio, db
- 5.3 Modules of Bioperl – Annotation, location, tools

**BOOKS FOR STUDY**

E. Balagurusamy. *Object Oriented Programming with C++*. New Delhi: Tata McGraw- Hill, 2017.

Tisdall James D. *Beginning Perl for Bioinformatics*. USA: O'Reilly and Associates, 2014.

**BOOKS FOR REFERENCE**

Conrod Bessant, Ian Shadforth and Darren Oakley. *Building Bioinformatics Solutions with Perl, R and MySQL*. New York: Oxford University Press, 2014.

Bjarne, Stroustrup. *The C++ Programming Language*. India: Addison Wesley, 2013.

Holzner and Steven. *Perl Black Book*. India: Dream Tech Press, 2006.

Hubbard, John. *Programming with C++, Schaum's Outline Series*. New Delhi: Tata McGraw Hill, 2003.

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Ellen Siever, Weber, Stephen Figgins, Robert, Arnold Robbins *Linux in a Nutshell-ADesktop Quick Reference*. USA: O'Reilly and Associates, 2006

Sanjeev Sofat. *Object Oriented Programming Using C++*, India : Cyber Tech. Publication, 2009.

## **JOURNALS**

C/C++ Users Journal  
International Journal of Computer Applications  
Computer Methods and Programs in Biomedicine  
Perl in communities

## **WEB RESOURCES**

<http://www.cplusplus.com/doc/tutorial/>  
<http://www.cprogramming.com/>  
<http://www.stroustrup.com/4th.html>

## **PATTERN OF ASSESSMENT**

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### **Theory:**

Section A – 15 x 1 = 15 Marks (All questions to be answered)

Section B – 2 x 5 = 10 Marks (2 out of 4 to be answered)

### **Practical:**

Section C – 2 x 12.5 = 25 Marks

**Other Components:                            Total Marks: 50**

Assignment/Test/Seminars

**End Semester Examination:            Total Marks: 100            Duration: 3 hours**

### **Theory:**

Section A – 20 x 1 = 20 Marks (All questions to be answered)

Section B – 2 x 15 = 30 Marks (2 out of 4 to be answered)

### **Practical:**

Section C – 4 x 10 = 40 Marks

Record and Viva – 10 Marks

Questions comprising the following:

Find the area and circumference of a circle

Armstrong Number

Prime Number

Convert DNA to RNA (transcription)

Calculate the frequency of bases

Find the reverse complement of the DNA sequence

Using Bioperl retrieve a sequence from database

Using Bioperl Convert DNA to Protein (Translation)

Using Bioperl retrieve last 30 amino acids from the given protein sequence

Using Bioperl run BLAST locally

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**SYLLABUS**

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**DATABASE MANAGEMENT SYSTEMS**

**CODE : 19BI/PC/DB14**

**CREDITS : 4**

**L T P : 3 0 2**

**TOTAL TEACHING HOURS : 65**

**OBJECTIVES OF THE COURSE**

- To introduce the basic concepts of Relational Database Management System and Client / Server Environment
- To be trained in designing databases and manipulating them for biological applications
- To understand the working knowledge of Linux environment

**COURSE LEARNING OUTCOMES**

On successful completion of the course, the student will be able to

- Understand data models and schemas in DBMS
- Skills to Create, update, retrieve and Manage data
- Handle files and databases
- Gain efficient skills on Atomicity, Consistency, Isolation, and Durability
- Clear understanding and usage of SQL language

**Unit 1 (12 Hours)**

**Introduction to Database Systems and Linux**

- 1.1 Introduction to File and Database systems- Database System Structure, Data Models Introduction to Network Models – ER Model. Relational Model
- 1.2 Introduction to Linux Operating System, Properties of Linux, Desktop Environment, Linux basics commands
- 1.3 Working With Files, Text Editors, I/O Redirections, Pipes, Filters, and Wildcards. Changing Access Rights

**Unit 2 (13 Hours)**

**SQL definition and Normalization**

- 2.1 SQL – Data Definition- Queries in SQL- Updates- Views – Integrity and Security
- 2.2 Relational Database design – Functional dependences and Normalization for Relational Databases (up to BCNF)
- 2.3 Query Forms

**Unit 3 (15 Hours)**

**Files and RDBMS**

- 3.1 Record Storage And Primary File Organization- Secondary Storage Devices- Operations on Files- Heap File- Sorted Files- Hashing Techniques – Index Structure For Files –Different Types Of Indexes- B-Tree - B+Tree – Query Processing

- 3.2 Multimedia Databases - Basic Concepts and Applications. Indexing and Hashing. Text Databases
- 3.3 Overview of RDBMs, Advantages of RDBMs Over DBMs - Data Mining

**Unit 4 (13 Hours)**

**Data Definition and Manipulation Language**

- 4.1 Data Definition Language, Data Manipulation Language, Transaction Control and Data Control Language Grant and Revoke Privilege Command
- 4.2 Set Operators, Joins-Kinds of Joins, Table Aliases, Sub queries, Multiple and Correlated Sub Queries
- 4.3 Functions-Single Row, Date, Character, Numeric, Conversion, Group Functions

**Unit 5 (12 Hours)**

**Constraints and MySQL**

- 5.1 Constraints-Domain, Equity, Referential Integrity Constraints
- 5.2 Locks -Types of Locks, Table Partitions, Synonym
- 5.3 Introduction to PL/SQL, Introduction, MySQL as an RDBMS Tool, Data types and Commands

**BOOKS FOR STUDY**

Ramakrishnan Raghu and Gehrke Johannes. *Database Management Systems*, USA: McGraw-Hill, 2003.

**BOOKS FOR REFERENCE**

George Koch and Kevin Loney. *Oracle 8 - The Complete Reference*, USA: Tata McGraw – Hill, 2000.

Kyte, Thomas. *Expert Oracle Database Architecture- 9i and 10g Programming Techniques and Solutions*. USA: Berkeley press, 2006.

Michael Abbey and Michael J. Correy. *Oracle 8i - A Beginners Guide*. USA :McGraw-Hill, 1999.

**JOURNALS**

International Journal of Database Management Systems  
Journal of Database Management  
Journal of Advanced Database Management & Systems  
International Journal of Intelligent Information and Database Systems  
International Journal of Computer Science and Information

**WEB RESOURCES**

[www.oracle.com/technetwork/oem/db-mgmt/db-mgmt-093445.html](http://www.oracle.com/technetwork/oem/db-mgmt/db-mgmt-093445.html)  
<http://education-portal.com/academy/lesson/what-is-a-database-management-system-purpose-and-function.html>  
[www.odbms.org/](http://www.odbms.org/)  
[http://www.comptechdoc.org/os/linux/usersguide/linux\\_ugbasics.html](http://www.comptechdoc.org/os/linux/usersguide/linux_ugbasics.html)  
<http://www.dummies.com/how-to/content/common-linux-commands.html>



## **PATTERN OF ASSESSMENT**

**Continuous Assessment:**

**Total Marks: 50**

**Duration: 90 mins.**

**Theory:**

Section A –  $15 \times 1 = 15$  Marks (All questions to be answered)

Section B –  $5 \times 2 = 10$  Marks (2 out of 4 to be answered)

**Practical:**

Section C –  $2 \times 12.5 = 25$  Marks

**Other Components:**

**Total Marks: 50**

Seminars/Group discussion/Assignments/Problem solving

**End Semester Examination:**

**Total Marks: 100**

**Duration: 3 Hours**

### **The question paper pattern: theory and practical**

**Theory:**

Section A –  $30 \times 1 = 30$  Marks (All questions to be answered)

Section B –  $10 \times 2 = 20$  Marks (2 out of 4 to be answered)

**Practical:**

Section C –  $2 \times 25 = 50$  Marks (2 out of 3 to be answered)

Question comprising the following:

Display the output for the given query,

Error finding,

Output of the given programme,

Find the missing statements in a given programme.

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**SYLLABUS**

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**MOLECULAR BIOLOGY**

**CODE: 19BI/PC/MB24**

**CREDITS : 4**

**L T P : 4 1 0**

**TOTAL TEACHING HOURS: 65**

**OBJECTIVES OF THE COURSE**

- To understand the general principles of gene organization and expression
- To explore the various levels of gene regulation and protein function
- To analyse the various genetic and molecular changes occur in a normal cell

**COURSE LEARNING OUTCOMES**

On successful completion of the course, the student will be able to

- Represent and illustrate the structural organization of genes and the control of gene expression
- Explore the prokaryotic and eukaryotic protein synthesis mechanism
- Conceptualize mechanisms of signal transduction, cell cycle and cell death
- Link the concepts of cell and molecular biology to a better understanding of diseases, including cancer

**Unit 1 (15 Hours)**

**Structure and Organisation of Genes and Chromosomes**

- 1.1 DNA-Structure and Conformations, Histones and Non-Histones, Chromosomes - Structure and Function of Chromosomes
- 1.2 Cell division - Mitosis and meiosis, Cell cycle regulation, Check points
- 1.3 Organisation of Genomes –Coding Sequences, Repetitive Sequences, transposons

**Unit 2 (15 Hours)**

**Replication and Transcription**

- 2.1 DNA replication, repair and recombination, DNA damage and repair mechanisms in prokaryotes and eukaryotes, Mutations
- 2.2 Transcription: Eukaryotes and Prokaryotes, Genetic code, Transcriptional Control by Regulatory Proteins, Steroid Hormone Receptors - Heat Shock Genes- Homeotic Genes
- 2.3 Mechanisms Modifying Transcriptional Control – DNA Methylation, Histone Modification, Post Transcriptional Regulation

**Unit 3** (12 Hours)

**Translation**

- 3.1 RNA- Types, structure and functions, Ribosomes – Structure and Assembly
- 3.2 Translational Regulation - Regulation of gene expression in Prokaryotes (Operon) and Eukaryotes, Gene Silencing
- 3.3 Genetic Control of Vertebrate Immune System

**Unit 4** (10 Hours)

**Organelle Genome**

- 4.1 Mitochondrion genome – Organisation and Function
- 4.2 Chloroplast genome – Organisation and Function
- 4.3 Transcription and Translation in Mitochondria

**Unit 5** (13 Hours)

**Cell Signalling and Cancer**

- 5.1 Cell signalling – Signalling molecules, Receptors - Hormones receptors, cell surface receptor, signal transduction pathways, regulation of signalling pathways
- 5.2 Cancer Biology- Characteristics of Cancer, Genetic basis of cancers, Proto-oncogene, Oncogenes, Tumor Suppressor Genes, Tumor Metastasis
- 5.3 Oncogenesis - Cancer Immunotherapy, Regulation of Cell Death, Apoptosis

**BOOKS FOR STUDY**

Harvey Lodish, Arnold Berk, Chris A. Kaiser, Monty Krieger, Anthony Bretscher, Hidde Ploegh. *Molecular Cell Biology*. USA: W. H. Freeman, Eighth edition, 2016.

Wolfe, Stephen L. *Molecular and Cellular Biology*. USA: Wadsworth, 2005.

Watson, James, D. *Molecular Biology of the Gene*. USA : The Benjamin Cummings Publishing Company, 2007.

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Cooper, Geoffrey M. and Robert E. Hausman. *The Cell, A Molecular Approach*. USA: Sinauer Associates, 2004.

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Watson, James, D. *Molecular Biology of the Gene*. UK: Pearson, Seventh edition, 2017.

Darnell, James, Harvey Lodish and David Baltimore. *Molecular and Cell Biology*, Scientific American Books, USA: W.H. Freeman, 2004.

Karp and Gerald. *Cell and Molecular Biology- Concepts and Experiments*, USA : John Wiley, 2013.

Lewin and Benjamin. *Genes IX*, UK :Oxford University Press, 2009.

Roitte, Ivan M., Brostoff, Jonathan and Male, David K. *Immunology*. Philadelphia: J.B. Lippincott, 1990.

Purvis, William K, David Sadava, Craig Heller and Gordan H. Orians. *Life: The Science of Biology*. USA : Sinauer, 2004.

## **JOURNALS**

Journal of Molecular Biology

Molecular Biology

Journal of Genetics and Genomics

BMC Cell Biology

## **WEB SOURCES**

[www.cellbio.com](http://www.cellbio.com)

[www.molbiolcell.org](http://www.molbiolcell.org)

[www.sciencedirect.com](http://www.sciencedirect.com)

<http://www.nature.com/scitable/topic/cell-biology-13906536>

[http://www.biology.arizona.edu/cell\\_bio/cell\\_bio.html](http://www.biology.arizona.edu/cell_bio/cell_bio.html)

<http://ghr.nlm.nih.gov/>

## **PATTERN OF ASSESSMENT**

**Continuous Assessment Test:      Total Marks: 50      Duration: 90 minutes**

Section A – 10 x 1 = 10 Marks (All questions to be answered)

Section B – 2 x 10 = 20 Marks (2 out of 4 to be answered)

Section C – 1x 20 = 20 Marks (1 out of 2 to be answered)

**Other Components:                      Total Marks: 50**

Assignment/Test/Seminars

**End Semester Examination:      Total Marks: 100                      Duration: 3 hours**

Section A – 20 x 1 = 20 Marks (All questions to be answered)

Section B – 4 x 10 = 40 Marks (4 out of 7 to be answered)

Section C – 2 x 20 = 40 Marks (2 out of 4 to be answered)

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**MOLECULAR BIOLOGY PRACTICAL**

**CODE: 19BI/PC/P122**

**CREDITS : 2**

**L T P : 0 0 3**

**TOTAL HOURS : 39**

**OBJECTIVE OF THE COURSE:**

- To identify subcellular structures, organelles and understand their functions
- To provide practical experience of the various techniques involved in Molecular Biology and Biochemistry
- To perform a range of molecular techniques used for the isolation, estimation, purification of biomolecules

**COURSE LEARNING OUTCOMES**

On successful completion of the course, the student will be able to

- Utilize laboratory skills to enhance understanding of cell structure and function while participating in a group environment
- Develop responsible conduct of laboratory skills appropriate to the field of cell and molecular biology
- Apply the molecular biology techniques to biotechnological approaches

**Unit 1 (8 Hours)**

- 1.1 Cell Fraction and Extraction of cell organelles
- 1.2 Isolation of Sub-Cellular Organelles and Particles –Mitochondria and Chloroplast

**Unit 2 (10 Hours)**

- 2.1 Extraction of DNA from Onion, Extraction of RNA from Yeast
- 2.2 Estimation of DNA and RNA
- 2.3 Estimation of Proteins by Lowry's Method

**Unit 3 (7 Hours)**

- 3.1 Estimation of Mitochondria by Assessing The Marker Enzyme
- 3.2 Denaturing Proteins and Identification of Amino Acids by Thin Layer Chromatography

**Unit 4 (7 Hours)**

- 4.1 Isolation of Plasmid DNA (Demo)
- 4.2 Amplification of DNA by PCR

**Unit 5****(7 Hours)**

5.1 Electrophoretic Techniques: Agarose Gel Electrophoresis, SDS PAGE (Demo)

5.2 Southern Blotting (Demo)

**BOOKS FOR REFERENCE:**

Wilson, K; Walker, J. *Principles and techniques of Biochemistry and Molecular Biology*. USA: Cold Spring Harbor Laboratory Press, 2010.

Sambrook, J; Russel, DW. *Molecular Cloning*. USA: Cold Spring Harbor Laboratory Press, 2001.

Sadasivam, S. and Manickam, A. *Biochemical Methods*. India: New Age International, 2009.

Wilson, K; Walker, J. *Principles and techniques of Biochemistry and Molecular Biology*. USA: Cold Spring Harbor Laboratory Press, Eighth edition, 2010.

Swati Agarwal, Suphiya Khan. *Advanced Lab Practices in Biochemistry & Molecular Biology*. India: I K International Publishing House, 2018.

**PATTERN OF ASSESSMENT****Continuous Assessment Test:      Total Marks: 50      Duration: 90 minutes**

Spotters 2 in number each carrying 5 marks totalling 10 marks

Any two experiments each carrying 15 marks each - 5 marks for procedure, 5 marks for the result and 5 marks for the conduct of the experiment

Viva - 5 marks

Record - 5 marks

**End Semester Examination      Total Marks: 100      Duration: 3 hours**

Spotters 4 in number each carrying 5 marks totalling 20 marks

Any two experiments each carrying 30 marks each—10 marks for procedure, 10 marks for the result and 10 marks for the conduct of the experiment

Viva - 10 marks

Record - 10 marks



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**GENOMICS AND PROTEOMICS**

**CODE: 19BI/PC/GP24**

**CREDITS : 4**

**L T P : 3 0 2**

**TOTAL CONTACT HOURS: 65**

**OBJECTIVES OF THE COURSE**

- To provide an insight into the complete genome sequences of a few organisms as well as the Human genome through Comparative and Functional genomics
- To acquaint knowledge on functional genomics techniques such as microarrays, EST, SAGE and interpret data obtained through high throughput expression studies
- To develop an understanding of the entire protein complement of a cell through analytical approaches, Data mining and other software tools

**COURSE LEARNING OUTCOMES**

On successful completion of the course, the student will be able to

- Gain an insight of the basic and advanced concepts and applications of sequencing technologies
- Understand the mechanisms of genomics and proteomics and exploit the same in the growing field of omics
- Apply functional genomics techniques to analyse data for biological system
- Implement techniques and database search to analyze complex protein samples
- Analyze the proteomic interactions in complex diseases

**Unit 1 (13 Hours)**

**Genomics**

- 1.1 Understanding a Genome sequence, Locating the genes in a Genome Sequence, Gene location by Sequence Inspection, Experimental Techniques for Gene Location, Determining the Functions of Individual Genes
- 1.2 Genome Sequencing technologies - Conventional Sequencing techniques (Maxam Gilbert and Sanger Sequencing), Whole Genome Shotgun Sequencing, Genome assembly, Genome annotation and Genome databases
- 1.3 Rates and patterns of Nucleotide substitution, Molecular Clocks, Local Clocks, Computer Analysis of a Gene Function, Assigning Gene Function by Experimental Analysis

**Unit 2 (12 Hours)**

**Comparative Genomics**

- 2.1 Comparative Genomics - Genome Sequencing Projects, Variations at the Level of individual Nucleotides, Duplications, Comparisons at the Chromosome Level: Synteny, Genomes of Chimpanzees and Humans



- 2.2 Phylogenetic Analysis - Relationship of Phylogenetic Analysis to Sequence Alignment, Genome Complexity and Phylogenetic Analysis, Maximum Parsimony Method, Distance Methods, Gene Prediction by ORF analysis
- 2.3 Gene mapping - pedigree analysis, Application of DNA markers - RFLPs, SNPs, Physical mapping - Restriction mapping, Fluorescent *in situ* hybridization, Assessing genomic variations

**Unit 3** **(15 Hours)**

**Functional Genomics**

- 3.1 Transcriptomes and analysis - Micro Array technology, SAGE, Applications of Microarrays In Medicine, Databases – GEO, MAML
- 3.2 ESTs Generation, EST Clustering and Assembly, EST databases (DB-EST, UNIGene)
- 3.3 KEGG and Metabolic Pathways, Regulatory Networks, Sequence based and structure-based approaches to assign gene functions, Role of databases in function assignment, Structural changes in sequences by the influence of polymorphisms (dbSNPs)

**Unit 4** **(13 Hours)**

**Proteomics**

- 4.1 Introduction to Proteomics - Proteins structure, Organization of protein structure, structural conformation of proteins, three dimensional structures of proteins
- 4.2 Analytical tools in Proteomics - 1D and 2D-gel electrophoresis, Mass Spectrometry - ESI, MALDI etc., Software for Matching MS Data with Specific Protein Sequences, Peptide sequencing by tandem mass spectrometry
- 4.3 Preparative IEF, HPLC, Tandem LC/ MS-MS, Protein Digestion Techniques

**Unit 5** **(12 Hours)**

**Application of Proteomics**

- 5.1 Proteomic interactions - Yeast Two-Hybrid, Mammalian Screen Methods and Co-Immuno Precipitation techniques
- 5.2 Protein-Protein Interactions and Protein Complexes, Databases and proteomic tools
- 5.3 Protein Interaction Networks and Protein Pathways, Mapping Protein modifications

**BOOKS FOR STUDY**

Arthur Lesk M. *Introduction to Genomics*. New York: Oxford university press, Third edition, 2017.

Brown, T. A. *Genomes -3*. USA: John Wiley and Sons inc., 2006.

Leland Hartwell, Michael L. Goldberg and Janice Fischer. *Genetics: From Genes to Genomes*. USA:McGraw-Hill Publishing Company. 2018

Daniel C. Leibler. *Introduction to Proteomics: Tools for New Biology*. USA: Humana Press, 2002.

Srivastava Sudhir. *Informatics in Proteomics*. USA: Taylor & Francis Group, 2005.

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Brown P. O and Botstein D. *Exploring the new world of the genome with DNA microarrays*. USA: Nat. Genet, 1999.

Collado Vides Julio and Ralf Hofstadter. *Gene Regulation and Metabolism – Post Genomic Computational Approaches*. India: Ane Books, 2004.

Dale, Jeremy W and Malcolm von Schantz. *From Genes to Genomes – Concepts and Applications of DNA Technology*. USA: John Wiley and Sons, 2012.

Arthur Lesk M. *Introduction to Genomics*. New York: Oxford university press, 2008.

Griffiths, A.J.F, Miller, J.H, Suzuki, D.T. Lewontin, R. C. and Gelbart, W.M. *An Introduction to Genetic Analysis*. USA: W.H. Freeman, 1996.

Hunt Stephen P and Livesey Fredrick J. *Functional Genomics -A Practical Approach*. Great Britain: Oxford University Press, 2000.

Golemis and Erica. *Protein-Protein Interaction*. USA: CSHL, 2005.

Lesk Arthur M. *Introduction to Protein Science: Architecture, Function and Genomics*. New York: Oxford university press, 2016.

Mount David W. *Bioinformatics: Sequence and Genome Analysis*, USA: Cold Spring Harbor Lab., 2005.

Pennington S and M. J. Dunn. *Proteomics: From Proteins Sequence to Function*. Germany: Springer Publications, 2001.

Palzkill and Timothy. *Proteomics*. USA: Kluwer Academic Publishers, 2013.

## **JOURNALS**

Genomics, Proteomics & Bioinformatics

Journal of Data Mining in Genomics & Proteomics

Human Genomics and Proteomics

Journal of Proteomics and Genomics

## **WEB RESOURCES**

<http://www.oncolink.org/resources/article.cfm?id=326>

<http://www.nature.com/nature/journal/v422/n6928/full/nature01510.html>

<http://proteomics.cancer.gov/whatisproteomics>

<http://www.isaaa.org/resources/publications/pocketk/15/default.asp>

## **PATTERN OF ASSESSMENT**

**Continuous Assessment Test:      Total Marks: 50      Duration: 90 minutes**

**Theory:**

Section A – 15 x 1 = 15 Marks (All questions to be answered)

Section B – 2 x 5 = 10 Marks (2 out of 4 to be answered)

**Practical:**

Section C – 5 x 5 = 25 Marks

**Other Components:                      Total Marks: 50**

Assignment/Test/Seminars

**End Semester Examination:      Total Marks: 100      Duration: 3 hours**

**Theory:**

Section A – 20 x 1 = 20 Marks (All questions to be answered)

Section B – 2 x 15 = 30 Marks (2 out of 4 to be answered)

**Practical:**

Section C – 5 x 10 = 50 Marks

Questions comprising the following:

Genome databases of plants, animals and pathogens

Clusters of Orthologous Groups (COGs)

Gene Prediction by ORF analysis, Gen scan, UCSC Genome Browser

DNA markers - dbSNP, Restriction mapping

Transcriptomes analysis - Micro Array data analysis, GEO

EST Clustering databases - DBEST, UNIGene

Metabolic pathway database – KEGG, PharmGKB

Protein classification and structure analysis - CATH, SCOP

Protein Motif and Domain search - PROSITE, PDBeMotif

Protein - protein interaction analysis - DIP, STRING, BIND

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**SYLLABUS**

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**RESEARCH METHODOLOGY**

**CODE: 19BI/PC/RM24**

**CREDITS : 4**

**L T P : 4 1 0**

**TOTAL TEACHING HOURS : 65**

**OBJECTIVES OF THE COURSE**

- To describe and express the role and importance of research in basic and applied sciences
- To facilitate writing of research proposals / projects and apply for grants in the field of bioinformatics
- To understand the analytical tests to be applied for research

**COURSE LEARNING OUTCOMES**

On successful completion of the course, the student will be able to

- Better understanding of the research methods
- Design an action plan of research
- Acquire skills of writing a research manuscript
- Application of statistical study in research
- Understand the ethics in writing research work

**Unit 1**

**(15 Hours)**

**Types of Data and research problem identification**

- 1.1 Data Collection, Sampling. Sources of Data Primary, Secondary and Tertiary Sources  
Classification and Presentation of Data
- 1.2 Documents, Types of Documents, Archives, Chronologies
- 1.3 Definition of Research and Research Methodology. Principles and Practice of Research. Exploring the Broad Area – Using the Library and Online Resources.  
Identifying The Research Problem

**Unit 2**

**(15 Hours)**

**Scientific Communication**

- 2.1 Literature Review - Its Relevance and Importance in Directing Research. Citations –  
Types Of Citations, Bibliography and End Matters, Editing and Proof Reading
- 2.2 Action Plan, Design and Pilot Study Undertaking a Research Project, Writing a  
Research grant Proposal, writing papers and posters, Format of thesis
- 2.3 Paper critiquing- the Purpose and the Methodology of Paper Critiquing

**Unit 3** (10 Hours)

**Writing well**

- 3.1 Writing for non- native audiences, usage of simple sentences, untangle long noun phrases, make complete sentences.
- 3.2 Use of punctuations- comma, colon, semicolon, dash and periods.
- 3.3 Creating non-textual information- acquiring, processing and printing illustrations. Concepts of mind maps.

**Unit 4** (12 Hours)

**Bioethics**

- 4.1 Introduction. Intellectual Property Rights (IPR) and Patents, TRIPS
- 4.2 Case studies on Patents (Basmati, Turmeric and Neem), ethics in science practicals
- 4.3 Plagiarism and Common Errors in Scientific Writing. Misconduct in science

**Unit 5** (13 Hours)

**Tools for research**

- 5.1 Use of Encyclopaedias, Research Guides, Handbook etc., Academic Databases for Computer Science Discipline.
- 5.2 Use of tools / techniques for Research: methods to search required information effectively, Reference Management Software like Zotero/ Mendeley,
- 5.3 Software for paper formatting like LaTeX/MS Office, Software for detection of Plagiarism

**BOOKS FOR STUDY**

Gopalan, R. *Thesis Writing*. India: Vijay Nicole Imprints Private Limited, 2005.

Gurumani, N. *Research Methodology for Biological Sciences*. India MJ Publishers, 2010.

**BOOKS FOR REFERENCE**

Pence, G.E. *Classic Cases in Medical Ethics*. India: McGraw-Hill, 2004.

Kothari C R. *Research Methodology, Methods and Techniques*. India: Wishwa Prakashan, 2009.

**JOURNALS**

The Journal of Communication

International Association for Media And Communication Research

Indian Journal of Science Communication

**WEB RESOURCES**

<http://www.palgrave.com/studentstudyskills/page/choosing-appropriate-researchmethodologies/>

<https://explorable.com/research-methodology>

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**Continuous Assessment Test:      Total Marks: 50      Duration: 90 minutes**

Section A – 10 x 1 = 10 Marks (All questions to be answered)

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Section C – 1 x 20 = 20 Marks (1 out of 2 to be answered)

**Other Components:                      Total Marks: 50**

Assignment/Test/Seminars

**End Semester Examination:      Total Marks: 100                      Duration: 3 hours**

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Section C – 2 x 20 = 40 Marks (2 out of 4 to be answered)

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**SYLLABUS**

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**SOFT SKILLS**

**CODE: 19BI/PK/SS22**

**CREDITS: 2**

**L T P: 2 0 0**

**TOTAL TEACHING HOURS: 26**

**OBJECTIVES OF THE COURSE**

- To empower students and create opportunities for self-development.
- To instill confidence in students to face challenges.
- To manage emotions and resolve conflicts.
- To organize activities and manage time.
- To set goals and plan ahead.

**COURSE LEARNING OUTCOMES**

- Communicate with confidence and poise.
- Accept themselves and improve on their weaknesses.
- Strengthen their relationships through confronting and solving problems.
- Work more effectively and complete activities on time.
- Plan their future with clarity and focus.

**Unit 1**

**Behavioural Traits**

**(6 Hours)**

- 1.1 Self Awareness
- 1.2 Communication Skills –Verbal and Non Verbal
- 1.3 Leadership Qualities
- 1.4 Etiquette and Good Manners
- 1.5 Experiential Learning –Based on activities

**Unit 2**

**Team Work**

**(5 Hours)**

- 2.1. Interpersonal Skills
- 2.2. People Management
- 2.3. Creative Thinking
- 2.4. Critical Thinking
- 2.5. Experiential Learning – Based on activities

**Unit 3**

**Time Management**

**(5 Hours)**

- 3.1. Importance of time management
- 3.2. Planning and Prioritizing
- 3.3. Organizing skills
- 3.4. Action Plan
- 3.5. Experiential Learning – Based on activities

**Unit 4**  
**Conflict Resolution** (5 Hours)

- 4.1. Reasons for conflict
- 4.2. Consequences of conflict
- 4.3. Managing emotions
- 4.4. Methods of resolving conflicts
- 4.5. Experiential Learning – Based on activities

**Unit 5**  
**Career Mapping** (5 Hours)

- 5.1. Goal Setting and Decision Making
- 5.2. Career Planning
- 5.3. Resume Writing
- 5.4. Handling Interviews
- 5.5. Experiential Learning – Based on activities

**Workshop on Societal Analysis**

**BOOKS FOR REFERENCE**

Khera. Shiv. *You Can Win*. New Delhi: Macmillan India, 2002.

Mishra. Rajiv. K. *Personality Development: Transform Yourself*. New Delhi: Rupa 2004.

Newstorm, John. W. and Scannell. Edward. E. *Games Trainers Play: Experiential Learning*. New Delhi: Tata McGraw Hill, 1980.

**PATTERN OF EVALUATION**

**Internal Assessment:** **Total Marks: 50**

Quiz / Group Presentation /Assignment

**No End Semester Examination**



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**SYLLABUS**

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**PYTHON AND R PROGRAMMING**

**CODE: 19BI/PC/PR34**

**CREDITS : 4**

**L T P : 4 1 0**

**TOTAL TEACHING HOURS : 65**

**OBJECTIVES OF THE COURSE**

- Demonstrate how to locate and download files for data analysis involving genes and medicine
- Select datasets, open files and pre-process data using Python and R language
- Develop and write R scripts to replace missing values, normalize data, discretize data, and sample data

**COURSE LEARNING OUTCOMES**

On successful completion of the course, the student will be able to

- Relate the necessity for programming in biology
- Handling biological concepts with Python and R scripts
- Apply programing to analyse genomic sequences
- Gain efficient programming skills
- Perform genomic data analysis

**Unit 1 (12 Hours)**

**Introduction to Python**

- 1.1 Installation of Python, Variables, types, strings, Jupiter notebooks
- 1.2 Objects, functions, control structures, operators, Numpy and Scipy
- 1.3 Fasta files, Parsing DNA and protein information, Gene locations splices, extracting all gene locations

**Unit 2 (12 Hours)**

**Biopython**

- 2.1 Getting started and installation, Coding DNA, proteins, extracting translations
- 2.2 Modules- Bio Import, Bio Seq, Bio Align
- 2.3 Plot ABI traces, Retrieve and Annotate Entrez gene

**Unit 3 (15 Hours)**

**R programming**

- 3.1 Introduction to R, Installing R, Loops
- 3.2 R as a Deluxe Calculator, Creating Objects and Assigning Values
- 3.3 Graphics: Simple Plotting, Advanced Plotting, Using Color in Plots, Using Subscripts and Superscripts in Graph Labels, Interactive Graphics, Saving Graphical Output, Loops

**Unit 4** (13 Hours)

**Gene Expression Data Analysis**

- 4.1 Feature selection models, Data Preprocessing, Normalization- methods
- 4.2 Data reduction, data sampling, Heatmaps
- 4.3 Classification based on analogy, rules, probabilities, statistics and prediction with R

**Unit 5** (13 Hours)

**Bioconductor**

- 5.1 Introduction, Bioconductor Packages
- 5.2 Expression set, data annotation biomaRt
- 5.3 Applications of R in Phylogenetics and Sequence analysis

**BOOKS FOR STUDY**

Robert Gentleman, *R programming for Bioinformatics*, CRC Press, 2016

Jason Kinser. *Python for Bioinformatics*. Massachusetts: Jones and Barlett Publishers, 2009.

Mitchell L Model. *Bioinformatics Programming Using Python*. USA: O'Reilly Media Publication, 2009.

**BOOKS FOR REFERENCE**

Mark Lutz. *Learning Python*. USA: O'Reilly Media Publication, 2009.

Martin C Brown. *Python: The Complete Reference*. Osborne: McGraw-Hill Media, 2001

Gentleman R, Carey V.J, Huber W, Irizarry, RA, and Dudoit, S. *Bioinformatics and Computational Biology Solutions Using R and Bioconductor*. New York: Springer, 2008.

**JOURNALS**

The Python Papers Source Codes

The Python Papers Anthology

Python Journal

The R Journal

**WEB RESOURCES**

[www.sthurlow.com/python/](http://www.sthurlow.com/python/)

[www.learnpython.org](http://www.learnpython.org)

[www.codecademy.com/en/tracks/python](http://www.codecademy.com/en/tracks/python)

<https://docs.python.org/2/tutorial/>

[www.pyschools.com/](http://www.pyschools.com/)

<http://cran.r-project.org/doc/Rnews/>

**PATTERN OF ASSESSMENT**

**Continuous Assessment Test: Total Marks: 50 Duration: 90 minutes**

Section A – 10 x 1 = 10 Marks (All questions to be answered)

Section B – 2 x 10 = 20 Marks (2 out of 4 to be answered)

Section C – 1x 20 = 20 Marks (1 out of 2 to be answered)

**Other Components:**  
Assignment/Test/Seminars

**Total Marks: 50**

**End Semester Examination:**

**Total Marks: 100**

**Duration: 3 hours**

Section A – 20 x 1 = 20 Marks (All questions to be answered)

Section B – 4 x 10 = 40 Marks (4 out of 7 to be answered)

Section C – 2 x 20 = 40 Marks (2 out of 4 to be answered)

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**SYLLABUS**

(Effective from the academic year 2019 -2020)

**PYTHON AND R PROGRAMMING PRACTICAL**

**CODE: 19BI/PC/P232**

**CREDITS : 2**

**L T P : 0 0 3**

**TOTAL HOURS: 39**

**OBJECTIVE OF THE COURSE**

- Demonstrate how to locate and download files for data analysis involving genes and medicine
- Select datasets, open files and pre-process data using Python and R language
- Develop and write R scripts to replace missing values, normalize data, discretize data, and sample data

**COURSE LEARNING OUTCOMES**

On successful completion of the course, the student will be able to

- Relate the necessity for programming in biology
- Handling biological concepts with Python and R scripts
- Apply programming to analyse genomic sequences
- Gain efficient programming skills
- Perform Microarray data analysis using R language

<b>Unit 1</b>		<b>(7 Hours)</b>
<b>Basics of Python</b>		
1.1 Counting letters in DNA strings		
1.2 Write a Python program related to Bioinformatics transcription		
<b>Unit 2</b>		<b>(8 Hours)</b>
<b>Biopython</b>		
2.1 Biopython- using Bioseq –Sequence reading and writing		
2.2 Biopython using Bio.Genbank – reading entries		
<b>Unit 3</b>		<b>(8 Hours)</b>
<b>Basics of R</b>		
3.1 Creating vectors and dataframes		
3.2 Plots – simple and advanced plots		
<b>Unit 4</b>		<b>(8 Hours)</b>
<b>Bioconductor</b>		
4.1 Bioconductor packages- bioclite, biostrings		
4.2 Bioconductor packages- edge r		

**Unit 5**

**(8 Hours)**

**Data Analysis**

5.1 Data Manipulation and visualization

5.2 Microarray data analysis – Limma

**BOOKS FOR STUDY**

Robert Gentleman, *R programming for Bioinformatics*, CRC Press, 2016

Jason Kinser. *Python for Bioinformatics*. Massachusetts: Jones and Barlett Publishers, 2009

**PATTERN OF ASSESSMENT**

**Continuous Assessment Test:      Total Marks: 50      Duration: 90 minutes**

Part - A - Programs                      3X 10- 30 marks

Part- B Programs and error handling      2X5 - 10 marks

Viva -    5 marks

Record -    5 marks

**End Semester Examination      Total Marks: 100      Duration: 3 Hours**

Part - A - Programs -                      3X 20- 60 marks

Part- B Programs and error handling      2X10 - 20 marks

Viva -    10 marks

Record -    10 marks

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**ALGORITHMS FOR BIOINFORMATICS**

**CODE: 19BI/PC/AL34**

**CREDITS : 4**

**L T P : 4 1 0**

**TOTAL TEACHING HOURS : 65**

**OBJECTIVES OF THE COURSE**

- To develop a quantitative understanding of how living things are built
- To raise the awareness of the impact of algorithms on the efficiency of the system
- To develop skills to analyse algorithms related to Bioinformatics

**COURSE LEARNING OUTCOMES**

On successful completion of the course, the student will be able to

- Know the main problems in the field of bioinformatics and computational molecular biology
- Analyse the correctness of algorithms and how it works
- Describe the divide-and-conquer paradigm and explain when an algorithmic design situation calls for it.
- Apply the algorithms and design techniques to solve problems
- Analyse the complexities of various problems in different domains

**Unit 1 (10 Hours)**

**Introduction**

- 1.1 Algorithms and Complexity. Definition, Biological Algorithms versus Computer Algorithms, Fast versus Slow Algorithms Big-O Notation
- 1.2 Algorithm Design Techniques Exhaustive Search Branch-and-Bound Algorithms Greedy Algorithms
- 1.3 Dynamic Programming Divide-and-Conquer Algorithms Machine Learning Randomized Algorithms

**Unit 2 (10 Hours)**

**Restriction Mapping**

- 2.1 Impractical Restriction Mapping Algorithms, Practical Restriction Mapping Algorithm
- 2.2 Regulatory Motifs in DNA Sequences Profiles: The Motif Finding Problem Search Trees
- 2.3 Finding a Median String. String matching algorithm

**Unit 3 (15 Hours)**

**Sequence Alignment**

- 3.1 Longest Common Subsequences - Global Sequence Alignment- Local Sequence Alignment
- 3.2 Graph Algorithms- Graphs and Genetics- DNA Sequencing Shortest Superstring Problem
- 3.3 DNA Arrays as an Alternative Sequencing Technique. Sequencing by Hybridization

**Unit 4 (15 Hours)**

**Clustering and Evolutionary Trees**

- 4.1 Gene Expression Analysis. Hierarchical Clustering -k-Means Clustering- Clustering and Corrupted Cliques
- 4.2 Evolutionary Trees - Distance-Based Tree Reconstruction Reconstructing Trees from Additive Matrices. Evolutionary Trees and Hierarchical Clustering Character-Based Tree Reconstruction
- 4.3 Secondary Structure Prediction methods, Artificial Neural Networks

**Unit 5 (15 Hours)**

**Pattern Matching**

- 5.1 Combinatorial Pattern Matching. - Identical, Similar and Distant Repeats Finding methods. Exact Pattern Matching
- 5.2 Keyword Trees and Suffix Trees. Heuristic Similarity Search Algorithms
- 5.3 BLAST: Comparing a Sequence against a Database

**BOOKS FOR STUDY**

Neil C Jones and Pavel A. Pevzner. *An Introduction to Bioinformatics Algorithms*. USA: MIT press, 2011.

Pavel A. Pevzner. *Computational Molecular Biology- An algorithmic approach*. USA: MIT press, 2004.

**BOOKS FOR REFERENCE**

Alfred V. Aho, John E. Hopcroft and Jefferey D.Ullman. *Data Structures and Algorithms*. London: Addison Wesley,1983.

Clark, John and Derek Allan Holton. *A First Look at Graph Theory*. Singapore: Singapore Publishers,1995.

Horowitz, Ellis, and Sartag Sahni. *Fundamentals of Computer Algorithms*. New Delhi: Galgotia Publications,1994.

Jeffrey J. McConnell. *Analysis of Algorithm*. New Delhi: Narosa Publishing House, 2002.

Thomas H. Cormen, Charles E. Leiserson and Ronald L. Rivest. *Introduction to Algorithms*. New Delhi: Prentice Hall of India, 1990.

## **JOURNALS**

Algorithms for Molecular Biology  
Journal of Computational Intelligence in Bioinformatics  
International Journal of Bioinformatics Research and Applications  
Developments in Bioinformatics Algorithms

## **WEB RESOURCES**

[http://www.comp.nus.edu.sg/~ksung/algo\\_in\\_bioinfo/](http://www.comp.nus.edu.sg/~ksung/algo_in_bioinfo/)  
<http://bioinformaticsalgorithms.com/>  
[http://bix.ucsd.edu/bioalgorithms/presentations/Ch08\\_GraphsDNAseq.pdf](http://bix.ucsd.edu/bioalgorithms/presentations/Ch08_GraphsDNAseq.pdf)  
<http://www.ait-budapest.com/advanced-algorithms-for-bioinformatics>

## **PATTERN OF ASSESSMENT**

**Continuous Assessment:**                      **Total Marks: 50**      **Duration: 90 minutes**  
Section A:  $5 \times 10 = 50$  (7 questions to be set)

**Other Components:**                              **Total Marks: 50**  
Seminars/Assignments/Problem solving

**End Semester Examination:**              **Total Marks: 100**      **Duration: 3 Hours**  
Section A:  $10 \times 10 = 100$  (12 questions to be set)



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**SYLLABUS**

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**MOLECULAR MODELING AND COMPUTER AIDED DRUG DESIGN**

**CODE: 19BI/PC/MC34**

**CREDITS : 4**

**L T P : 4 1 0**

**TOTAL TEACHING HOURS : 65**

**OBJECTIVES OF THE COURSE**

- To provide clear concepts on bond angle, bond stretching, bond distance and role on different types of bonds in interactions
- To provide a theoretical background to the various methods of molecular modelling, mechanics and interaction
- To develop and understand the mechanism of drug design using computers

**COURSE LEARNING OUTCOMES**

On successful completion of the course, the student will be able to

- Perform protein structure prediction and understand energy simulation methods and its importance in drug action
- Gain insight on the molecular dynamics and Monte Carlo simulation methods
- Understand the concept of molecular interactions and QSAR studies
- Apply the knowledge gained to find new targets and design drug to treat diseases
- Learn the concept of drug development

**Unit 1 (13 Hours)**

**Molecular Mechanics**

- 1.1 Concepts in Molecular Modeling - Molecular Representations, Coordinate Systems, Potential Energy Surfaces
- 1.2 Molecular Mechanics, Force fields - Bond Length, Bond Angle and Torsion Angle potential
- 1.3 Non- bonded interactions-Van der Waals and Electrostatic Potential – Hydrogen Bonding Terms

**Unit 2 (12 Hours)**

**Energy Minimization Methods**

- 2.1 Energy Minimization- Derivative and Non-derivative Energy Minimization Methods
- 2.2 Calculation of Simple Thermodynamic Properties, Computer Simulation, Boundaries, Monitoring the Equilibration, Long Range Forces
- 2.3 Analyzing the Results of Simulation and Estimating Errors

**Unit 3** (15 Hours)

**Molecular Dynamics and Monte Carlo Simulations**

- 3.1 Molecular Dynamics Using Simple Model, Molecular Dynamics with Continuous Potentials
- 3.2 Molecular Dynamics at Constant Temperature and Pressure, Incorporating Solvent effects into Molecular Dynamics, Conformational Changes From Molecular Dynamics Simulation
- 3.3 Monte Carlo Simulation of Molecules, Calculation of Chemical Potential- Simulating Phase Equilibria by Gibbs Ensemble Monte Carlo Method

**Unit 4** (12 Hours)

**Molecular Modeling and Structure Analysis**

- 4.1 Protein Structure prediction - Secondary Structure Prediction, Homology modeling
- 4.2 Threading and *ab initio* method, Tools for Structure prediction; Protein structural visualization; Geometry optimization and Loop refinement
- 4.3 Structure validation tools - Ramachandran Plot.

**Unit 5** (13 Hours)

**Molecular Docking**

- 5.1 Molecular Docking -Structure Based Drug Design - Target Discovery and Validation, Active Site Prediction, Lead identification and Optimization, De Novo Drug Design
- 5.2 Molecular Descriptors - QSAR, 3D Pharmacophore identification and mapping
- 5.3 Ligand-based drug designing approaches: Lead Designing, High Throughput Screening (HTS), Chemical libraries, ADME prediction

**BOOKS FOR STUDY**

N. Claude Cohen. *Guidebook on Molecular Modelling In Drug Design*. California: Academic Press, 2006.

Andrew R. Leach. *Molecular Modeling: Principles and Applications*. USA: Prentice Hall, 2007.

Daan Frenkel and Berend Smit. *Understanding Molecular Simulation: From Algorithms to applications*. USA: Academic Press, 2002.

Claudio N. Cavasotto. *In Silico Drug Discovery and Design: Theory, Methods, Challenges, and Applications*. USA: Taylor & Francis Group, 2017

**BOOKS FOR REFERENCE**

Charifson P S. *Practical Application of Computer Aided Drug Design*. New York: Dekker, 1997

Alan Hinchliffe. *Molecular Modelling for Beginners*. USA: John Wiley & Sons, 2008

Sivasamy Ramasamy. *Molecular Modeling*. India: LAMBERT Academic Publishing, 2015

Luca Monticelli, Emppu Salonen. *Biomolecular Simulations: Methods and Protocols*. USA: Humana Press, 2016.

### **JOURNALS**

Journal of Molecular Modeling

Journal of Molecular Graphics and Modelling

Journal of Computer-Aided Molecular Design

Current Computer Aided-Drug Design

### **WEB RESOURCES**

<http://accessengineeringlibrary.com/browse/computer-aided-drug-design-and-delivery-systems>

<http://www.southernresearch.org/life-sciences/lead-discovery-and-optimization/medicinal-chemistry/computational-chemistry>

<http://www.ch.ic.ac.uk/local/organic/mod/>

[http://www.chemcomp.com/MOE-Molecular\\_Modeling\\_and\\_Simulations.htm](http://www.chemcomp.com/MOE-Molecular_Modeling_and_Simulations.htm)

### **PATTERN OF ASSESSMENT**

**Continuous Assessment Test:      Total Marks: 50      Duration: 90 minutes**

Section A – 10 x 1 = 10 Marks (All questions to be answered)

Section B – 2 x 10 = 20 Marks (2 out of 4 to be answered)

Section C – 1x 20 = 20 Marks (1 out of 2 to be answered)

**Other Components:                      Total Marks: 50**

Assignment/Test/Seminars

**End Semester Examination:      Total Marks: 100      Duration: 3 hours**

Section A – 20 x 1 = 20 Marks (All questions to be answered)

Section B – 4 x 10 = 40 Marks (4 out of 7 to be answered)

Section C – 2 x 20 = 40 Marks (2 out of 4 to be answered)

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**SYLLABUS**

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**MOLECULAR MODELING AND COMPUTER AIDED DRUG DESIGN  
PRACTICAL**

**CODE: 19BI/PC/P332**

**CREDITS : 2**

**L T P : 0 0 3**

**TOTAL TEACHING HOURS : 39**

**OBJECTIVE OF THE COURSE**

- To provide practical experience in the analysis of protein sequences
- To understand the use of informatics in drug design and development, finding new targets to treat disease; mechanism of drug designing
- To gain insights on protein-ligand docking and knowledge-based scoring functions

**COURSE LEARNING OUTCOMES**

On successful completion of the course, the student will be able to

- Perform, understand, and interpret the results of the calculations and bring them in a publication ready form
- Understand the importance of drug-like properties and their prediction
- Describe the use of lead candidates and database representations
- Apply Molecular modeling and molecular dynamics methods to study structure from sequence

<b>Unit 1</b>		<b>(8 Hours)</b>
	1.1 Drug target identification - structural databases, RCSB PDB	
	1.2 Drug target databases, Protein function prediction tools – RaptorX and online other tools)	
<b>Unit 2</b>		<b>(8 Hours)</b>
	2.1 Homology modeling - Swiss model, Modeller software	
	2.2 Protein structure validation – Rampage, Procheck	
<b>Unit 3</b>		<b>(7Hours)</b>
	3.1 Ligand Search – Pubchem, Drug bank, ChEMBL, ZINC databases	
	3.2 Chemical drawing package – Marvin Sketch, Chemdraw	
<b>Unit 4</b>		<b>(8 Hours)</b>
	4.1 ADME prediction – Online tools (Swiss ADME, etc.,)	
	4.2 QSAR model prediction – In Silico tools	

**Unit 5** **(8 Hours)**

- 5.1 Protein Active site prediction – (CASTp and online tools)
- 5.2 Molecular Docking – Auto dock, Argus Lab and other docking software, Scoring Functions, Simple Interaction Energies, Visualizing tools – Pymol, Rasmol

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N. Claude Cohen. *Guidebook on Molecular Modelling In Drug Design*. California: Academic Press, 2006.

Andrew R. Leach. *Molecular Modeling: Principles and Applications*. USA: Prentice Hall, 2007.

Daan Frenkel and Berend Smit. *Understanding Molecular Simulation: From Algorithms to applications*. USA: Academic Press, 2002.

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Luca Monticelli, Emppu Salonen. *Biomolecular Simulations: Methods and Protocols*. USA: Humana Press, 2016.

**PATTERN OF ASSESSMENT**

**Continuous Assessment Test:            Total Marks: 50            Duration: 90 minutes**

Two out of four questions to be answered	(2 X 20=40)
Viva -	5 marks
Record -	5 marks

**End Semester Examination            Total Marks: 100            Duration: 3 Hours**

Four out of five questions to be answered	(4 X 20=80)
Viva -	10 marks
Record -	10 marks

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**SYLLABUS**

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**SUMMER INTERNSHIP**

**CODE: 19BI/PN/SI32**

**CREDITS: 2**

**OBJECTIVES OF THE COURSE**

- To enable students to gain experiential learning in the field of Bioinformatics
- To acquire hands on training in Bioinformatics Softwares

The Summer Internship program is for a minimum period of three weeks. The students are expected to have regular attendance in their respective Institutes and submit a report to the Department reporting the experiments they have observed/conducted. The students are expected to give a seminar presentation in the third semester of the work they have observed/conducted.

**Guidelines for Evaluation**

The maximum marks for the Summer Internship is 50 and is divided into the following:

- a) Log Book (20 Marks)
- b) Seminar presentation (15 Marks)
- c) Attendance (15 Marks)

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**ADVANCES IN BIOINFORMATICS**

**CODE: 19BI/PC/AB44**

**CREDITS : 4**

**L T P : 4 1 0**

**TOTAL TEACHING HOURS: 65**

**OBJECTIVES OF THE COURSE**

- To develop a quantitative understanding of recent and emerging fields of Bioinformatics
- To provide Hands on experience of handling the genomic and proteomic datasets
- To provide a better understanding of data and its applications in Bioinformatics

**COURSE LEARNING OUTCOMES**

On successful completion of the course, the student will be able to

- Students will be able to analyse the raw reads of sequences
- Understand the analysis of gene expression
- Experiential knowledge on gene editing techniques
- Perform genomic data analysis
- Learn the skills of cancer genomic data analysis

**Unit 1 (10 Hours)**

**Next Generation Sequencing**

- 1.1 Introduction to Next-generation sequencing. History and Future of DNA Sequencing
- 1.2 Introduction to Linux commands and Different Platforms and Applications
- 1.3 Different file formats – FASTQ, SAM, BAM, GFF, Databases and tools – UCSC genome, Galaxy, SRA, NCBI refseq, ENA, FastQC, Bowtie

**Unit 2 (12 Hours)**

**Metagenomics**

- 2.1 Metagenomics – Introduction and biological background, case studies of recent research
- 2.2 Alpha and Beta diversity of metagenomic studies
- 2.3 Analysis of metagenome data and logical steps for metagenome analysis

**Unit 3 (15 Hours)**

**Transcriptomics**

- 3.1 Introduction and Biological background, case studies of recent research
- 3.2 Quantifying RNA: RNA seq and other techniques. Generating expression table
- 3.3 Logical steps for analysing RNA seq data – differential expression and factor regression analysis

**Unit 4**  
**Epigenetics** (15 Hours)

- 4.1 Gene regulatory dynamics from analysis of regulatory sequence motifs, transcription factor-DNA interaction,
- 4.2 Local chromatin dynamics and epigenetic modifications, RNA dynamics at the level of transcription and post-transcriptional processing,
- 4.3 3D dynamics of chromatin and the resulting gene regulatory dynamics on daily and development time scales

**Unit 5** (13 Hours)  
**Crispr- Cas 9**

- 5.1 Introduction to Crispr, cas9, selection of targets from sequences
- 5.2 Targeted mutagenesis – guide RNA design, recognition sequences
- 5.3 Repair and data analysis of the edited genome, Therapeutic applications

**BOOK FOR STUDY**

Head, Steven R., Ordoukhanian, Phillip, Salomon, Daniel R, *Next Generation Sequencing Methods and Protocols*, Springer, 2018

Eija Korpelainen, Jarno Tuimala, Panu Somervuo, Mikael Huss, Garry Wong, *RNA-seq Data Analysis: A Practical Approach*, Taylor and Francis publishers, 2017

**BOOKS FOR REFERENCE**

Takashi Yamamoto. *Targeted Genome Editing Using Site-Specific Nucleases: ZFNs, TALENs, and the CRISPR/Cas9 System*, 2015

Jennifer Doudna, Prashant Mali, *CRISPR-Cas: A Laboratory Manual*, Cold Spring Harbor Laboratory Press, 2016

Richard Cummings, J. Pierce, *Handbook of Glycomics*, Academic Press, 2009  
ISBN: 9780123736000

**WEB RESOURCES**

<http://www.ebi.ac.uk/training/online/course/ebi-next-generation-sequencing-practicalcourse/what-you-will-learn/what-next-generation-dna->

<http://www.personal.psu.edu/iua1/courses/2014-BMMB-852.html>

<https://www.illumina.com/science/technology/next-generation-sequencing.html>

<https://bitesizebio.com/21193/a-beginners-guide-to-next-generation-sequencing-ngs-technology/>

<https://edu.t-bio.info/courses>

**JOURNALS**

Next generation sequencing



## **PATTERN OF ASSESSMENT**

**Continuous Assessment Test:      Total Marks: 50      Duration: 90 minutes**

### **Theory:**

Section A – 20 x 1 = 20 Marks (All questions to be answered)

Section B – 5 x 2 = 10 Marks (2 out of 4 to be answered)

Section C – 2 x 10 = 20 Marks

**Other Components:      Total Marks: 50**

Assignment/Test/Seminars

**End Semester Examination:      Total Marks: 100      Duration: 3 hours**

### **Theory:**

Section A – 20 x 1 = 20 Marks (All questions to be answered)

Section B – 4 x 10 = 40 Marks (2 out of 4 to be answered)

Section C – 2 x 20 = 40 Marks (2 out of 3 to be answered)

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**SYLLABUS**

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**BIG DATA ANALYSIS**

**CODE: 19BI/PC/BD44**

**CREDITS : 4**

**L T P : 4 1 0**

**TOTAL TEACHING HOURS : 65**

### **OBJECTIVES OF THE COURSE**

- To develop a quantitative understanding of how Data Science in Bioinformatics plays a role in current decade
- To understand the various aspects of data science and applying them in health care
- To obtain adequate knowledge of machine learning approaches

### **OUTCOMES OF THE COURSE**

On Successful completion of the course, the student will be able to

- Describe the Big Data landscape including examples of real world big data problems
- Explain the V's of Big Data and impacts of data collection, monitoring, storage, analysis and reporting
- Identify what are and what are not big data problems and be able to recast big data problems as data science questions
- Gain skills of Hadoop technology
- Learn to get value out of bigdata

**Unit 1 (12 Hours)**

#### **Introduction to Data Science**

- 1.1 Introduction to data science, Case Studies: Data Science in Biomedicine and Healthcare
- 1.2 Sequence Processing, Medical Image Analysis, Natural Language Processing
- 1.3 Network Modelling and Probabilistic Modelling

**Unit 2 (15 Hours)**

#### **Big Data**

- 2.1 What is big data? What makes big data valuable Example of Big Data
- 2.2 Where Does Big Data Come From? Machine-Generated Data and Advantages
- 2.3 Big Data Generated by People, organization of Generated Data, integrating the data

**Unit 3 (13 Hours)**

#### **Characteristics of Big Data**

- 3.1 Characteristics of big data Volume, Variety, Velocity
- 3.2 Characteristics of Big Data – Veracity, Valence and Value
- 3.3 Getting value out of big data using a 5-step process to structure your analysis

**Unit 4** (12 Hours)

**Data Science: Getting Value out of Big Data**

- 4.1 Building a Big Data Strategy, How does big data science happen? Five Components of Data Science
- 4.2 Steps in the Data Science - Acquiring Data , preprocessing and Exploring Data
- 4.3 Analyzing Data, Communicating Results, Turning Insights into Action

**Unit 5** (13 Hours)

**Big data systems and Hadoop**

- 5.1 What is a Distributed File System? Scalable Computing over the Internet, Programming Models for Big Data
- 5.2 Introduction to Hadoop systems, The Hadoop Distributed File System: A Storage System for Big Data, YARN: A Resource Manager for Hadoop
- 5.3 MapReduce: Simple Programming for Big Results, When to Reconsider Hadoop? Cloud Computing: An Important Big Data Enabler

**BOOKS FOR STUDY**

Peter Guerra and Kirk Borne, *Ten Signs of Data Science Maturity*, O'Reilly media Pvt ltd, 2016,

Tom White, *Hadoop: The Definitive Guide” Third Edition*, O'reilly Media, 2012.

Seema Acharya, Subhasini Chellappan, *Big Data Analytics*, Wiley 2015.

**BOOKS FOR REFERENCE**

Howard Wen, *Big Ethics for Big Data*, O'Reilly Media

Michael Mineli, Michele Chambers, Ambiga Dhiraj, *Big Data, Big Analytics: Emerging Business Intelligence and Analytic Trends for Today's Businesses*, Wiley Publications, 2013.

Judith S.Hurwitz, Alan Nugent, Fern Halper, Marcia Kaufman , *Big Data for Dummies*, 2015

**JOURNALS**

Journal of Bigdata, Springer

Big Data Research, Elseiver

**WEB RESOURCES**

<https://www.coursera.org/learn/big-data-introduction/home/welcome>

<https://www.coursera.org/learn/bioconductor?action=enroll&authMode=login>

## **PATTERN OF ASSESSMENT**

**Continuous Assessment Test:      Total Marks: 50      Duration: 90 minutes**

Section A – 10 x 1 = 10 Marks (All questions to be answered)

Section B – 2 x 10 = 20 Marks (2 out of 4 to be answered)

Section C – 1x 20 = 20 Marks (1 out of 2 to be answered)

**Other Components:                      Total Marks: 50**

Assignment/Test/Seminars

**End Semester Examination:      Total Marks: 100      Duration: 3 hours**

Section A – 20 x 1 = 20 Marks (All questions to be answered)

Section B – 4 x 10 = 40 Marks (4 out of 7 to be answered)

Section C – 2 x 20 = 40 Marks (2 out of 4 to be answered)

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**ADVANCES IN BIOINFORMATICS PRACTICAL**

**CODE: 19BI/PC/P442**

**CREDITS : 2**

**L T P : 0 0 3**

**TOTAL HOURS: 39**

**OBJECTIVES OF THE COURSE**

- Demonstrate how to locate and download files for data analysis involving genes and medicine
- Select datasets and pre-process data using
- Develop and replace missing values, normalize data, discretize data, and sample data

**COURSE LEARNING OUTCOMES**

On successful completion of the course, the student will be able to

- Analyse genomic sequences
- Handle raw data
- Understand the steps of data assembling
- Learn RNA sequence analysis
- Understand and design sg RNA for genome editing

**Unit 1 (7 Hours)**

**Basics of NGS**

1.1 Introduction to UNIX commands and Virtual machine

**Unit 2 (8 Hours)**

**Metagenomics**

2.1 Analysis of metagenomic raw data using galaxy

**Unit 3 (8 Hours)**

**Transcriptomics**

3.1 Cancer data analysis using Webmev

**Unit 4 (8 Hours)**

**RNA seq analysis**

4.1 RNA seq analysis using Biojupies

**Unit 5 (8 Hours)**

**Crispr cas 9**

5.1 Small guide RNA design – Chop Chop, primerX

**BOOKS FOR STUDY**

Head, Steven R., Ordoukhanian, Phillip, Salomon, Daniel R, *Next Generation Sequencing*

*Methods and Protocols*, Springer Protocols, Humana Press, 2018.

## **PATTERN OF ASSESSMENT**

**Continuous Assessment Test:      Total Marks: 50      Duration: 90 minutes**

Data analysis any two methods      2X20= 40 marks  
Viva -      5 marks  
Record -      5 marks

**End Semester Examination      Total Marks: 100      Duration: 3 Hours**

Data analysis any two methods      2X40= 80 marks  
Viva -      10 marks  
Record -      10 marks

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**SYLLABUS**

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**DISSERTATION**

**CODE: 19BI/PC/DS47**

**CREDITS: 7**

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  - b) Name of the Candidate
  - c) Department of Bioinformatics  
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  - d) Month, Year
  
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ii. Acknowledgement page
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Periodic review	25 marks
Presentation	25 marks

### **End Semester Examination:**

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ii	Chapterization, logic and reasoning	10
iii	Methodology – Analysis and interpretation	25
iv	Viva	50



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**SYLLABUS**

(Effective from the academic year 2019 -2020)

**CELL BIOLOGY AND GENETICS**

**CODE: 19BI/PE/CG15**

**CREDITS : 5**

**L T P : 4 10**

**TOTAL TEACHING HOURS:65**

**OBJECTIVES OF THE COURSE**

- To understand the structure and function of the basic unit of life
- To gain knowledge about the Cell and all its components in both Prokaryotic and Eukaryotic cells
- To familiarize the students with the basic concepts of Genetics

**COURSE LEARNING OUTCOMES**

On Successful completion of the course, the student will be able to

- Understand the functions of the cell at the molecular level
- Represent and illustrate the structural organization of genes and the control of gene expression
- Explore the prokaryotic and eukaryotic protein synthesis mechanism
- Conceptualize mechanisms of signal transduction, cell cycle and cell death
- Link the concepts of cell and molecular biology to a better understanding of diseases, including cancer

**Unit 1 (10 Hours)**

**Prokaryotic and Eukaryotic cells**

- 1.1 Introduction - Prokaryotic and Eukaryotic cell - Characteristics, Similarities and differences
- 1.2 Bacteria Cells - Structure, organisation and bacterial genetics
- 1.3 Virus - Structure, Viral Infective cycles, origin and significance, Viroids and Prions

**Unit 2 (15 Hours)**

**Organelles**

- 2.1 Structure and function of Mitochondria, Plastids (i.e. chloroplasts), Endoplasmic Reticulum Golgi bodies, Lysosomes and Peroxisomes
- 2.2 DNA -Structure – conformations, Histones and Non-Histones, Nuclear matrix and Lamins; Nuclear envelope, Pore complexes, transport through the envelope
- 2.3 RNA- Types, Ribosomes – Structure, Assembly of polypeptides on Ribosomes

- Unit 3** (15 Hours)  
**Cytoskeleton**  
3.1 Structure of the Cell Wall  
3.2 Structure and Role of Microtubules and Microfilaments in cells -cell-cell interactions- cell adhesion, tight junctions and plasmodesmata  
3.3 Introduction to Membranes - Structure, Function, and Communication: Roles of membranes in eukaryotic cells; Membrane structure and composition, The Plasma Membrane - Fluid Mosaic Model

- Unit 4** (13 Hours)  
**Multiple alleles**  
4.1 Human blood groups ( A, B, AB, O, M, N and H) and Rh factor - Inheritance and significance  
4.2 Gene Linkage and Recombination: Coupling and repulsion hypothesis Linkage in *Drosophila* Cytological proof of crossing over - Example – *Drosophila*  
4.3 Mapping: Locating genes along a chromosome: Two - point and three - point crosses

- Unit 5** (12 Hours)  
**Cell Cycle and Karyotyping**  
5.1 Chromosomes- Structure and function, Centromeres and Telomeres, Cell Cycle- Mitosis and Meiosis  
5.2 Karyotyping, Sex determination in Human - Barr body - Importance of Y Chromosome - Klinefelters' and Turners' Syndromes  
5.3 Inter -sexuality Linked Inheritance: Colour blindness and Haemophilia Y - linked genes

### **BOOKS FOR STUDY**

Harvey Lodish, Arnold Berk, Chris A. Kaiser, Monty Krieger, Anthony Bretscher, Hidde Ploegh. *Molecular Cell Biology*. USA: W. H. Freeman, Eighth edition, 2016.

Wolfe, Stephen L. *Molecular and Cellular Biology*. USA: Wadsworth, 2005.

Watson, James, D. *Molecular Biology of the Gene*. USA : The Benjamin Cummings Publishing Company, 2007.

Klug, William, S. and Michael R. Cummings. *Concepts of Genetics*. USA: Prentice Hall, 2008.

Purvis, William K, David Sadava, Craig Heller and Gordan H. Orians. *Life: The Science of Biology*. USA : Sinauer, 2004.

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Karp and Gerald. *Cell and Molecular Biology- Concepts and Experiments*, USA : John Wiley, 2013.

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Burns, George W., and Botto, Paul J. *The Science of Genetics*. USA: Macmillan Publishing Company, 1989.

Lewin and Benjamin. *Genes IX*, UK :Oxford University Press, 2009.

Roitte, Ivan M., Brostoff, Jonathan and Male, David K.*Immunology*. Philadelphia: J.B. Lippincott, 1990.

Watson, James, D. *Molecular Biology of the Gene*. USA : The Benjamin Cummings Publishing Company,2007.

## **JOURNALS**

Journal of Molecular Biology

Journal of Genetics and Genomics

BMC Cell Biology

## **WEB SOURCES**

[www.cellbio.com](http://www.cellbio.com)

[www.molbiolcell.org](http://www.molbiolcell.org)

[www.sciencedirect.com](http://www.sciencedirect.com)

[http://www.biology.arizona.edu/cell\\_bio/cell\\_bio.html](http://www.biology.arizona.edu/cell_bio/cell_bio.html)

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**BIOMATHEMATICS AND BIostatISTICS**

**CODE: 19BI/PE/BS15**

**CREDITS: 5**

**L T P: 4 1 0**

**TOTAL TEACHING HOURS: 65**

**OBJECTIVES OF THE COURSE**

- To enhance the skills in mathematics those are essential for learning Bioinformatics
- To understand and implement various mathematical techniques being applied in analyzing information of biological data
- To understand statistical methods in its several forms is the basis of biological research
- To introduce the various statistical techniques useful for handling quantitative data

**COURSE LEARNING OUTCOMES**

On Successful completion of the course, the student will be able to

- Understand the importance of mathematics for research based problems
- Apply the different statistical tests for the research
- Learn to solve aptitude based problems in competitive exams
- Gain skills on solving the population genetics equations
- Apply the regression and correlation techniques to interpret Drug activity based on QSAR

**Unit 1 (15 Hours)**

**Set Theory and Matrices**

- 1.1 Introduction, Representation of a Set, Set Operations - Types of Sets, Subsets, Complement of Sets, Union and Intersection of Sets, Difference of Sets
- 1.2 De Morgan's Law, Venn diagram, Cartesian Product of Sets
- 1.3 Matrix, Basic Operations, Transpose, square matrices, Non Singular Matrices, Inverse of a Matrix, Determinants, Elementary Applications

**Unit 2 (10 Hours)**

**Relations and Functions**

- 2.1 Introduction – Product sets, Relations
- 2.2 Functions – Linear Function
- 2.3 Related Functions – Polynomials and Differences

**Unit 3 (15 Hours)**

**Probability**

- 3.1 Rules of probability, Theorems of probability, Addition and Multiplication Theorem
- 3.2 Probability distributions: Binomial distribution, Poisson distribution, Normal distribution.
- 3.3 Binomial Co-efficient, Permutations, Combinations, Identities Applications

**Unit 4** **(12 Hours)**

**Introduction to Biostatistics**

- 4.1 Scope, collection, classification and tabulation, Graphical representation of data- measures of location and dispersion -Diagrammatic and Graphical Presentation of data, Types of data, Significance and uses of diagrammatic representation- limitations.
- 4.2 Frequency distribution: Discrete and continuous frequency distribution. Mean- Median- Mode.
- 4.3 Measures of dispersion- Standard Deviation, Coefficient of variation, Range

**Unit 5** **(13 Hours)**

**Application and Testing**

- 5.1 Sampling techniques, Sampling Distribution, Standard error, testing of hypotheses, Null Hypothesis
- 5.2 Correlation - Types of correlation-Simple, Linear and Nonlinear- Pearson's Coefficient Correlation, Regression analysis- Types of Regression, Regression Equation of X on Y
- 5.3  $\chi^2$  test, t-test, Analysis of Variance (ANOVA), Population Genetics: Hardy-Weinberg principle

**BOOKS FOR STUDY**

Jae K.Lee, *Statistical Bioinformatics for Biomedical and Life Science Researchers*, John Wiley & Sons Publications, USA, 2010

Rao P. S. S. Sundar, *Introduction To Biostatistics And Research Methods*, Prentice Hall, India, 2009.

Veer Bala Rastogi, *Fundamentals of Biostatistics*, Ane Books Pvt Ltd, New Delhi, 2010.

Basu, A.K., (2003), *Introduction to Stochastic Process*, Narosa Publishing House, New Delhi, India

Gurumani, N., (2004), *An Introduction to Biostatistics*, M.J. P. Publishers, Chennai, India.

Lipschutz S. and Lipson, M.L. *Discrete Mathematics*, New York: McGraw Hill Book Company, 2001.

Narayanan S. and Manicavachagam Pillay, T. K., *Ancillary Mathematics- Book II*, India: S. Viswanathan Printers and Publishers, 2002.

Negi, K.S., *Biostatistics*, AITBS Publishers and Distributors, New Delhi, India. 2002

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Vittal, P.R. *Allied Mathematics*, India: Margham Publishers, 2001.

Papoulis, Athanasios and S. Unnikrishnan Pillai, *Probability, Random Variables and Stochastic Processes*, (4<sup>th</sup> Ed.) Tata McGraw Hill Pub. Co. India. 2002

J. Richard, Sundar P. S. S. Rao, *An Introduction To Biostatistics: A Manual For Students In Health Sciences*, 3rd Edn, Prentice Hall, India. 2004

Bernard Rosner, *Fundamentals of Biostatistics*, Duxbury Press, USA. 2010

B. Antonisamy, Solomon Christopher, P. Prasanna Samuel. *Biostatistics: principles and practice*, Tata McGraw Hill Pub. Co. India. 2010

### **JOURNALS**

The Journal of Mathematical Behavior

Mathematical Journals

The College Mathematics Journal

International Journal of Mathematics and Statistics Studies

### **WEBSITES**

<http://mathworld.wolfram.com/Integral.html>

[http://www-math.mit.edu/~djk/calculus\\_beginners/](http://www-math.mit.edu/~djk/calculus_beginners/)

<http://mathworld.wolfram.com/Probability.html>

<https://www.math.hmc.edu/calculus/tutorials/matrixalgebra/>

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**SYLLABUS**

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**DATA MINING**

**CODE: 19BI/PE/DM15**

**CREDITS : 5**

**L T P : 4 1 0**

**TOTAL TEACHING HOURS : 65**

**OBJECTIVES OF THE COURSE**

- To provide an insight to Data mining
- To introduce the techniques used in data mining
- To understand these techniques in collecting and sorting of data

**COURSE LEARNING OUTCOMES**

On Successful completion of the course, the student will be able to

- Gain insight into the field of Bioinformatics from theoretical models to finished software
- Understand how software design and methods can be integrated with existing tools to create productive information environment for bioinformatics practice
- Understand how open source can be powerful in creating web-based applications in Bioinformatics
- Understand important roles of programming languages and databases in Bioinformatics software development and service

**Unit 1 (10 Hours)**

**Data mining**

- 1.1 Introduction: Classification of data, Relational databases. Data warehouses  
Transactional databases .Advanced database systems and advanced database applications.
- 1.2 Data mining functionalities. Concept /class description.
- 1.3 Characterization and discrimination. Association analysis

**Unit 2 (10 Hours)**

- 2.1 Classification and prediction -Clustering analysis. Evolution and deviation analysis
- 2.2 Classification of data mining systems. Major issues in data mining
- 2.3 Multimedia data mining. Spatial data mining. Text mining

**Unit 3 (15 Hours)**

**Data Processing**

- 3.1 Data Preprocessing. Data integration and transformation, Data reduction.  
Association rule mining.
- 3.2 The Apriori algorithm: Finding frequent item sets From association mining to correlation analysis
- 3.3 Classification and Prediction Classification by back propagation association-based classification and other classification methods

**Unit 4** (15 Hours)

**Clustering**

- 4.1 Clustering – cluster analysis – Types of clustering methods- Types of data in clustering analysis
- 4.2 A categorization of major clustering methods. Hierarchical methods. Density Based clustering methods. Grid based methods. Outlier analysis.
- 4.3 Data Mining applications and trends in data mining – Data mining applications in biotechnology and bioinformatics

**Unit 5** (15 Hours)

**Neural networks and machine learning**

- 5.1 Introduction to Neural networks, learning rules
- 5.2 Classification Analysis, learning algorithm and model evaluation
- 5.3 SOM and SVM techniques in data mining

**BOOKS FOR STUDY**

Jiawei Han and Micheline Kamber. *Data Mining: Concepts and Techniques*, USA: Morgan Kaufmann Publishers, 2011.

**BOOKS FOR REFERENCE**

Oliviero carugo and Frank Eisenhaber. *Data Ming techniques for life sciences*. Singapore: Humana Press, 2009.

**JOURNALS**

Data Mining in Bioinformatics  
International Journal of Data Mining and Bioinformatics

**WEB RESOURCES**

<http://www.bioinformaticszen.com/post/an-introduction-to-data-mining-in-bioinformatics/>  
<http://biit.cs.ut.ee/>

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**IMMUNOINFORMATICS**

**CODE: 19BI/PE/IM15**

**CREDITS : 5**

**L T P: 4 1 0**

**TOTAL TEACHING HOURS: 65**

**OBJECTIVES OF THE COURSE**

- To understand the immune system, its components and their functions
- To impart knowledge of immune responses to various pathogens by integrating genomics and proteomics with bioinformatics strategies
- To provide information about the methods used in immunological bioinformatics

**COURSE LEARNING OUTCOMES**

On Successful completion of the course, the student will be able to

- Understand the application of information technology to immunology
- Study informatics-based approaches for prediction of epitopes and immuno-diagnostic tools
- Gain knowledge about computer aided vaccine design

**Unit 1**

**Immune System**

**(10 Hours)**

- 1.1 Introduction to Immune System - Adaptive and Innate Immunity
- 1.2 Cells of the Immune System, Soluble Mediators of Immunity, Cell and Antibody mediated immunity
- 1.3 Immune Responses - Inflammation, Immunopathology, Auto immune diseases, Vaccines

**Unit 2**

**Antigens and Antibodies**

**(15 Hours)**

- 2.1 Immunoglobulin classes and subclasses, Major Histocompatibility Complex (MHC) its Polymorphism, Causes for Polymorphism, MHC Supertypes
- 2.2 Antigen types – Epitope, Affinity Maturation, Epitope mapping
- 2.3 B-cell and T-cell Epitope Prediction, Recognition of Antigen by B cells. Neutralizing Antibody

**Unit 3**

**Computational Immunology**

**(10 Hours)**

- 3.1 Computational Immunology - Databases in Immunology, dbMHC-MHC database at NCBI
- 3.2 T-cell epitope databases, B-cell epitope databases, SYFPEITHI MHC-presented epitopes
- 3.3 IMGT Immunoinformatics, IMGT International ImMunoGeneTics Information System. HLA Nomenclature and the IMGT/HLA Sequence Database

**Unit 4 (15 Hours)**

**Vaccine Design**

- 4.1 From immunome to Vaccine – Prediction of immunogenicity, Vaccine design tools
- 4.2 Reverse Vaccinology and Immunoinformatics, Peptides with Antimicrobial Activity or Antibiotic Peptides
- 4.3 Functional Prospecting of Genes and Transcripts, Future of Computational Modelling and Prediction Systems in Clinical Immunology

**Unit 5**

**Viral Bioinformatics**

**(15 Hours)**

- 5.1 Viral Bioinformatics - Computational Views of Hosts and Pathogens using VIDA
- 5.2 Drug Discovery - Introduction, Conventional Drug Design Approaches, Lipinski rule, Pharmacophore Kinetics and Dynamics, ADME Properties
- 5.3 Applications of Computer Based Drug Discovery

**BOOKS FOR STUDY**

Darren R. Flower. *Bioinformatics for Immunomics (Immunomics Reviews)*. New York: Springer-Verlag, 2010.

Abul K. Abbas, Andrew H. H. Lichtman, and Shiv Pillai. *Cellular and Molecular Immunology* USA: Elsevier, 2017.

Christian Schönbach, ShobaRanganathan, and Vladimir Brusic. *Immunoinformatics (Immunomics Reviews)* USA: Humana Press, 2010.

**BOOKS FOR REFERENCE**

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Robert A. Meyer. *Immunology - from cell biology to disease*. Germany: Wiley VCH, 2007.

Richard A. Goldsby, Thomas .J Kindt, Barbara A. Osborne & Janis Kuby. *Immunology*. USA: WH Freeman Company, 2013.

**JOURNALS**

Immunology

Immunoinformatics

Journal of Computational Biology

**WEB RESOURCES**

<http://www.imgt.org/Immunoinformatics.html>

<http://rsob.royalsocietypublishing.org/content/3/1/120139>

<http://journals.plos.org/ploscompbiol/article?id=10.1371/journal.pcbi.0020071>  
<http://omicsonline.com/immunoinformatics.php>

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**SYLLABUS**

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**BASICS OF CLINICAL RESEARCH MANAGEMENT**

**CODE:19BI/PE/CR15**

**CREDITS : 5**

**L T P : 4 1 0**

**TOTAL PRACTICAL HOURS : 65**

**OBJECTIVES OF THE COURSE**

- To give a basic understanding about clinical research
- To understand the various aspects of clinical research management
- To be conversant with the regulations in clinical management

**COURSE LEARNING OUTCOMES**

On Successful completion of the course, the student will be able to

- Evaluate critical global regulatory and health care issues that challenge and influence biopharmaceutical product development
- Understand the basic statistical principles, concepts, and methods for clinical data analysis and reporting
- Forecast the resources necessary for developing and managing clinical trials
- Demonstrate advanced critical thinking skills necessary to enhance employment opportunities or advance within the biopharmaceutical industry

**Unit 1 (10 Hours)**

**Clinical Research**

- 1.1 History of drug development - Pharmaco-epidemiology
- 1.2 Issues in Clinical Trials. Nuremberg Code, Declaration of Helsinki, International Conference of Harmonization and Good Clinical Practice
- 1.3 Clinical trials – History of clinical trials. Stages of Clinical trials

**Unit 2 (10 Hours)**

**Pharmacology and Drug Development**

- 2.1 Introduction to Drug Discovery and Development, Approaches, Sources of Drugs, Databases for drug search
- 2.2 Pharmacokinetics and pharmacodynamics, Toxicological requirements
- 2.3 Emerging technologies in Drug Discovery, Preclinical Testing, Clinical Trials

**Unit 3 (15 Hours)**

**Regulations in Clinical Research**

- 3.1 Evolution and History of Regulations in Clinical Research, US FDA Regulations, IND, NDA, ANDA, FDA Audits and Inspections
- 3.2 European Regulatory Affairs, Organization and Functions
- 3.3 INDIAN Regulatory system, Schedule Y- Rules and Regulations, Post Drug Approval Activities, PMS

**Unit 4** (15 Hours)

**Clinical Trial Management**

- 4.1 Role of Ethics Committees and Institutional Review Boards. Special populations; women elderly and children
- 4.2 Designing of Protocol, SOP, ICF, Pharmacovigilance
- 4.3 Project management Documentation, Monitoring, Audits, Inspections, Fraud and Misconduct, Roles and Responsibilities of Clinical Research Professionals

**Unit 5** (15 Hours)

**Clinical Data Management**

- 5.1 Importance of CDM in clinical research, Clinical Data Entry, CRF, e-CRF
- 5.2 Statistical considerations at the design, analysis and reporting stage.
- 5.3 Data validation, SAE reconciliation, Quality Assurance

**BOOKS FOR STUDY**

Lori A. Nesbitt. *Clinical Research What It Is and How It Works*. UK: Jones Barlett Publishers, 2006.

Richard K. Rondel, Sheila A. Varley, Colin F. Webb. *Clinical Data Management*. UK: John Wiley, 2013.

Steven Piantadosi. *Clinical Trails A Methodologic Perspective*. UK: John Wiley, 2005.

**BOOKS FOR REFERENCE**

Russ B. Altman, David Flockhart, David B. Goldstein *Principles of Pharmacogenetics and Pharmacogenomics*. UK: John Wiley, 2012.

Martin M. Zdanowicz. *Concepts in Pharmacogenomics*. UK: Mc Graw Hill, 2010.

**JOURNALS**

Journal of Clinical Research & Bioethics

Perspectives in Clinical Research

Asian Journal of Pharmaceutical and Clinical Research

**WEB RESOURCES**

<http://hub.ucsf.edu/clinical-study-management>

[http://icmr.nic.in/ethical\\_guidelines](http://icmr.nic.in/ethical_guidelines)

<http://www.niaaa.nih.gov/research/guidelines-and-resources/clinical-trial-regulations-policies-and-guidance>

<http://www.fda.gov/ScienceResearch/SpecialTopics/RunningClinicalTrials/ucm155713.html>

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**CHEMINFORMATICS**

**CODE: 19BI/PE/CI15**

**CREDITS : 5**

**L T P: 4 1 0**

**TOTAL TEACHING HOURS: 65**

**OBJECTIVES OF THE COURSE**

- To introduce the basic concepts of using chemical structure databases
- To apply the concepts and learn the use of Cheminformatics tools
- To understand the applications of Cheminformatics in drug design

**COURSE LEARNING OUTCOMES**

On Successful completion of the course, the student will be able to

- Gain skills to analyse the properties of small molecules
- Design the biological targets and properties of the small molecule under investigation
- Better understanding of the drug discovery and development process
- Apply the concepts to create novel leads

**Unit 1 (15 Hours)**

**Introduction**

- 1.1 Introduction to Cheminformatics, History and Evolution of Cheminformatics, Use of Cheminformatics, Prospects of Cheminformatics
- 1.2 Databases: Chemical Structure Databases (PubChem, Drug bank)
- 1.3 Modelling of small molecules and Structure Elucidation

**Unit 2 (10 Hours)**

**Representation of Molecules**

- 2.1 Representation of Molecules and Chemical Reactions
- 2.2 Different Types of Notations, SMILES Coding, Structure of Mol files and Sdf files (Molecular converter, SMILES Translator)
- 2.3 Similarity Search of the Molecule

**Unit 3 (15 Hours)**

**Cheminformatics databases**

- 3.1 Structure databases; Reaction Databases; Literature Databases; Medline; GenBank
- 3.2 PIR; CAS Registry; National Cancer Institute (NCI) Database
- 3.3 Databases of Small Molecules (ZINC)

**Unit 4 (10 Hours)**

**Searching Chemical Structure**

- 4.1 Searching Chemical Structure: Full Structure Search; Sub Structure Search; Similarity Search
- 4.2 Three dimensional Search Methods. Structure Visualization

4.3 Drawing the Chemical Structure: 2D and 3D Drawing Tools (ACD Chems sketch)  
Structure Optimization

**Unit 5 (15 Hours)**

**Applications of Cheminformatics tools**

5.1 Definition of drugs, Structure-Based Drug Design, QSAR

5.2 Pharmacophore Design, Ligand-Based Design, De Novo Drug Design Virtual Screening / Docking of Ligands

5.3 Protein structure-Fragment-Based Drug Design, ADMET Prediction

**BOOKS FOR STUDY**

Johann Gasteiger and Thomas Engel. *Chemoinformatics -A Textbook*. Germany: Wiley-VCH, 2003.

Johann Gasteiger. *Handbook of Chemoinformatics-From Data to Knowledge*, Germany: Wiley-VCH, 2003.

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Andrew R. Leach, Valerie J. Gillet. *An Introduction to Chemoinformatics*.UK: Springer, 2007.

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Bajorath, Juergen,Totowa, N.J. *Chemoinformatics: Concepts, Methods, and Tools for Drug Discovery*. USA: Humana Press, 2004.

Ekins, Sean, Hoboken, N.J. *Computer Applications in Pharmaceutical Research and Development*. Germany: Wiley, 2006.

**JOURNALS**

Journal of Cheminformatics

Chemoinformatics: Concepts, Methods, and Tools for Drug Discovery

International Journal of Chemoinformatics and Chemical Engineering

BMR Bioinformatics & Cheminformatics

The Journal of Chemical Information and Modeling

**WEB RESOURCES**

<http://cheminformatics.org/>

<http://www.emolecules.com/info/molecular-informatics>

<http://accelrys.com/products/informatics/cheminformatics/>

[http://www.rasalsi.com/services\\_drugdis.html](http://www.rasalsi.com/services_drugdis.html)

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**SYLLABUS**

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**BIOPHYSICS**

**CODE: 19BI/PE/BP15**

**CREDITS: 5**

**L T P: 4 1 0**

**TOTAL TEACHING HOURS: 65**

**OBJECTIVES OF THE COURSE**

- To give a basic understanding about the forces that determines the structure of biological macromolecules
- To provide knowledge about the techniques used in studying biological structure and function
- To understand the behaviour and properties of biological macromolecules

**COURSE LEARNING OUTCOMES**

On Successful completion of the course, the student will be able to

- Understand the importance of structural studies in bioinformatics
- Gain an insight about the forces that determines the structure of biological macromolecules
- Apply the knowledge gained to interpret the properties of biological macromolecules
- Apply the recent advances in Biophysical techniques in Life science Research

**Unit 1**

**Introduction**

**(10 Hours)**

- 1.1 Atoms, Molecules and Chemical Bonds
- 1.2 Bohr Model of the Atom, Atomic Spectra, De Broglie Theory of Matter Waves, Schrödinger Wave Equation, Atomic and Molecular Orbitals, Hybrid Orbitals
- 1.3 Thermodynamics Systems – Laws of Thermodynamics – Statement and Applications – Concepts of Entropy and Enthalpy

**Unit 2**

**Spectroscopy**

**(15 Hours)**

- 2.1 Visible, UV And IR Spectroscopy
- 2.2 Raman Spectroscopy – ‘Fingerprinting’ Using Raman Spectra – Complementarity of Raman and IR Spectroscopy
- 2.3 Fluorescence Spectroscopy – Principles and Applications only for all

**Unit 3**

**Nuclear Magnetic Resonance**

**(15 Hours)**

- 3.1 The Phenomenon, Spin-Spin Interaction
- 3.2 Relaxation and Nuclear Overhauser Effect, Chemical Shift, Measuring the Spectrum
- 3.3 One Dimensional and Two Dimensional NMR, NMR Application to Macromolecules

#### **Unit 4**

##### **Mass Spectrometry**

**(15 Hours)**

- 4.1 Mass Spectrometry for Protein and Peptide Analysis
- 4.2 MALDI-TOF Analyzer, Tandem Mass Analyzer, The Ion Trap Mass Analyzer, Q-TOF Instrument
- 4.3 Protein identification by Peptide Mass Fingerprinting, Peptide Sequence Analysis by TMS

#### **Unit 5**

##### **Crystallography and Microscopy**

**(10 Hours)**

- 5.1 Elementary Description of Crystallography – Crystal Growth, Data Collection, Structure Solution, Refinement and Interpretation – Concept of Resolution
- 5.2 AFM: Atomic Force Microscopy Basic Principle and Application
- 5.3 CFM: Chemical Force Microscopy Basic Principles and Applications

#### **BOOKS FOR STUDY**

Igor, Serdyuk, Nathan R. Zaccai and Joseph Zaccai. *Methods in Molecular Physics*. UK: Cambridge University Press, 2007.

Narayanan P. *Introductory Biophysics* Mumbai, India: New Age Publishing Co., 2005

Kensal E. vanHolde, Johnson Curtis W. and Ho Shing P. *Principles of Physical Biochemistry*, USA: Prentice Hall International Inc., 2005.

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Bengt Nolting. *Methods in Modern Biophysics*, Germany: Springer, 2004.

D. Freifelder. *Physical Biochemistry*. New York, USA: W.H. Freeman and Company, 1982.

Banwell C.N. *Fundamentals of Molecular Spectroscopy*. New Delhi India: Tata McGraw-Hill Publishing Company Lt., 1994.

D. Sherwood, *Crystals, X-rays and Proteins*. London, UK: Longman Group Lts., 1976.

C.R. Cantor and P. Schimmel. *Biophysical Chemistry, Vol. I, II and III*. New York, USA: W.H. Freeman and Company, 1985.

Sears F. W, Zemansky M.W and Young H.D. *College Physics*, Massachusetts, USA: Addison Wesley Publishing Company, 1985.

Leach A.R, *Molecular Dynamics Simulation*. New York, USA: John Wiley and Sons, 2001.

A.P. Gunning, A. R. Kirby, V. J. Morris. *Atomic Force Microscopy*. London: Imperial College Press, 2009.

## **JOURNALS**

Biophysical Journal

European Biophysics Journal

Journal of Biophysics

## **WEBSITES**

<http://www.biophysics.org/Education/Careers/CareersinBiophysics/tabid/112/Default.aspx>

[http://www.rcsb.org/pdb/101/static101.do?p=education\\_discussion/Looking-at-Structures/methods.html](http://www.rcsb.org/pdb/101/static101.do?p=education_discussion/Looking-at-Structures/methods.html)

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Assignment

Interpretation of results

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**INTRODUCTION TO BIOINFORMATICS**

**CODE: 19BI/PE/IB23**

**CREDITS : 3**

**L T P : 3 0 0**

**TOTAL TEACHING HOURS : 39**

**OBJECTIVES OF THE COURSE**

- To become familiar with bioinformatics and how it's changing complex biological research
- To enable textual mining of biological literature and bioinformatics tools that are required to query biological data
- To understand the application of information technology in biological research

**COURSE LEARNING OUTCOMES**

On Successful completion of the course, the student will be able to

- Better understanding of the bioinformatics concepts
- Emphasis the application of bioinformatics and biological databases to problem solving in real research problems
- Perform a complete analysis of the genes and protein
- Understand the evolutionary concepts related to biological query

**Unit 1 (8 Hours)**

**Introduction to Bioinformatics**

- 1.1 Introduction to Bioinformatics, Classification of biological databases, Biological data formats, Application of bioinformatics in various fields
- 1.2 Introduction to single letter code of amino acids, symbols used in nucleotides
- 1.3 Data retrieval systems- Entrez and SRS

**Unit 2 (8 Hours)**

**Sequence and Structure analysis**

- 2.1 Introduction to Sequence alignment. BLAST, Multiple sequence alignment
- 2.2 Structural Databases – PDB and other online tools
- 2.3 Visualizing tools – Rasmol, Pymol

**Unit 3 (7 Hours)**

**Phylogenetic analysis**

- 3.1 Evolutionary analysis: distances, Cladistic and Phenetic methods
- 3.2 Clustering Methods. Rooted and unrooted tree representation
- 3.3 Bootstrapping strategies, Tools for Phylogenetic tree construction

**Unit 4** (8 Hours)

**Genomics**

- 4.1 Genome - Gene finding methods,
- 4.2 Gene prediction tools
- 4.3 Repeat Sequence finder

**Unit 5** (8 Hours)

**Proteomics**

- 5.1 Proteomics - Protein structure – levels of organisation
- 5.2 Protein separation techniques – SDS-PAGE
- 5.3 Restriction Enzymes and Mapping

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Pevsner and Jonathan. *Bioinformatics and Genomics Functional*. USA: John Wiley, 2003.

Baxevanis, Andreas D. and Francis B.F. Ouellette. *Bioinformatics- A Practical Guide to the Analysis of Genes and Proteins*. USA: John Wiley, 2001.

David W. Mount. *Bioinformatics Sequence and Genome Analysis*. INDIA: CBS Publishers, 2003.

**BOOKS FOR REFERENCE**

Baldi P. and Brunak S. *Bioinformatics: Machine Learning Approach*. USA: MIT Press, 2003.

Chen, Yi-Ping Phoebe. *Bioinformatics Technologies*. Germany: Springer, 2005.

Durbin R, S. Eddy, A. Krogh and G. Mitchison. *Biological Sequence Analysis: Probabilistic Models of Proteins and Nucleic Acids*. USA: Cambridge University Press, 2005.

Higgins, Des and Willie Taylor. *Bioinformatics – Sequence, Structure and Databanks – Practical Approach*. UK: Oxford University Press, 2001.

Lesk, Arthur M. *Introduction to Bioinformatics*. UK: Oxford University Press, 2014.

**JOURNALS**

BMC Bioinformatics

Bioinformatics

Journal of Bioinformatics and Computational Biology

Journal of Biomedical Informatics

Journal of Integrative Bioinformatics

PLoS Computational Biology

**WEB RESOURCES**

<http://bioinformaticsweb.net/tools.html>

<https://www.bits.vib.be/index.php/training/122-basic-bioinformatics>

<http://bioinformaticssoftwareandtools.co.in/>

<http://www.genscript.com/tools.html>

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**APPLICATIONS OF BIOINFORMATICS**

**CODE: 19BI/PE/AP23**

**CREDITS : 3**

**L T P : 3 0 0**

**TOTAL TEACHING HOURS: 39**

**OBJECTIVES OF THE COURSE**

- To be familiar with the use of a wide variety of internet applications and biological database
- To understand the basics of pharmacogenomics in the context of variability in drug response
- To introduce the basic concepts of using chemical structure databases
- To understand the application of information technology to immunology

**COURSE LEARNING OUTCOMES**

On Successful completion of the course, the student will be able to

- Examine factors that affect drug response and the application of pharmacogenetics to drug development and drug treatment
- Apply the immunological data and to the sophisticated computational solutions available for immunological research
- Emphasis the application of bioinformatics and biological databases to problem solving in real research problems

**Unit 1 (7 Hours)**

**Introduction to Bioinformatics**

- 1.1 Classification of biological data, and different data formats
- 1.2 Introduction to single letter codes of amino acids, symbols used in nucleotides
- 1.3 Bioinformatics Perspectives on Human Diseases

**Unit 2 (8 Hours)**

**Bioinformatics databases**

- 2.1 Overview of Biological Sequence Databases - NCBI, EMBI, DDBJ
- 2.2 Sequence Retrieval Systems (Entrez & SRS), Sequence Submission Methods and Tools (Sequin, Sakura, Bankit)
- 2.3 Finding Scientific Articles Using PubMed, Identification of disease genes, OMIM database

**Unit 3 (8 Hours)**

**Pharmacogenomics**

- 3.1 Introduction to Basic Concept of Pharmacogenomics, Application and Challenges in Pharmacogenomics, Personalized Medicine
- 3.2 Genetic Variation, Types of Variants, SNPs, Insertion/Deletions



3.3 Databases - Pharmacogenomics Knowledge Base (PharmGKB)

**Unit 4 (8 Hours)**

**Computational Immunology**

4.1 Introduction to Immune System - Adaptive and Innate Immunity, Cells of the Immune System

4.2 Major Histocompatibility Complex (MHC) its Polymorphism, Principles of B-cell and T-cell Epitope Prediction

4.3 Databases in Immunology, IMGT immunoinformatics

**Unit 5 (8 Hours)**

**Applications of Cheminformatics Tools in Drug Design**

5.1 Definition of drugs - 2D and 3D Molecular Structures

5.2 Searching for Chemicals on the Internet (PubChem, eMolecules)

5.3 Chemical structure drawing tools

**BOOKS FOR STUDY**

Darren R. Flower. *Bioinformatics for Immunomics (Immunomics Reviews)*. New York: Springer-Verlag, 2010.

Abul K. Abbas, Andrew H. H. Lichtman, and Shiv Pillai. *Cellular and Molecular Immunology USA*: Elsevier, 2017.

Andrew R. Leach, Valerie J. Gillet. *An Introduction to Chemoinformatics*. UK: Springer, 2007.

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Christian Schönbach, ShobaRanganathan, and Vladimir Brusica. *Immunoinformatics (Immunomics Reviews) USA*: Humana Press, 2010.

Kenneth Murphy. *Janeway's Immunobiology*, UK: Garland Science, 2014.

Bunin, Barry A. Dordrecht. *Chemoinformatics: Theory, Practice, and Products*. UK: Springer, 2010.

**JOURNALS**

The Pharmacogenomics Journal

Pharmacogenomics and Personalized Medicine

Pharmacogenetics and Genomics

Immunoinformatics

BMC Genomics

Journal of Computational Biology

Chemoinformatics: Concepts, Methods, and Tools for Drug Discovery

International Journal of Chemoinformatics and Chemical Engineering

BMR Bioinformatics & Cheminformatics

## **WEB RESOURCES**

<http://www.imgt.org/Immunoinformatics.html>

<http://rsob.royalsocietypublishing.org/content/3/1/120139>

<http://ghr.nlm.nih.gov/handbook/genomicresearch/pharmacogenomics>

<https://www.pharmgkb.org/>

<http://cheminformatics.org/>

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**SYLLABUS**

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**COMPUTER AIDED DRUG DESIGN**

**CODE: 19BI/PE/CD23**

**CREDITS : 3**

**L T P : 3 0 0**

**TOTAL TEACHING HOURS : 39**

**OBJECTIVES OF THE COURSE**

- To understand the general pathway for drug discovery and development
- To define new methodologies for analysis of ligands with their bound protein target
- To gain an in-depth overview of methods and techniques applied in computer assisted drug design (CADD)
- To learn about computer-aided drug design, safety evaluation, bioavailability and clinical trials

**COURSE LEARNING OUTCOMES**

On Successful completion of the course, the student will be able to

- Identify the key elements in drug and explain new methodologies for drug design
- Describe the role and importance of the various disciplines involved in the different phases of drug discovery and development
- Review and evaluate preclinical and clinical pharmaceutical studies
- Follow new ideas in utilizing main approaches of ligand screening methods

**Unit 1 (7 Hours)**

**Drug Discovery and Development**

- 1.1 Drug Development Process Overview - The Changing Landscape of drugs development
- 1.2 Drug Discovery Phases
- 1.3 Preclinical Phase studies

**Unit 2 (8 Hours)**

**Regulations in Drug Discovery**

- 2.1 FDA regulations on Drug Development
- 2.2 Indian Regulatory Systems
- 2.3 Ethical Considerations and Special Populations

**Unit 3 (8 Hours)**

**Drug Target Identification**

- 3.1 Computational inferences used to identify and validate small molecule drug targets
- 3.2 Databases for Drug targets, Retrieving protein structure and visualisation
- 3.3 Target Discovery and Validation, Active Site Prediction

**Unit 4** **(8 Hours)**

**Ligand Based Drug Design**

- 4.1 Screening of lead molecules - Natural products and their analogues
- 4.2 Chemical Databases – PubChem, Drug Bank
- 4.3 Chemical file formats, Retrieving drug molecules

**Unit 5** **(8 Hours)**

**Pharmacokinetics and Molecular Docking**

- 5.1 Pharmacokinetics - ADME Prediction
- 5.2 Pharmacodynamics
- 5.3 Molecular Docking - Scoring and evaluation

**BOOKS FOR STUDY**

Claudio N. Cavasotto. *In Silico Drug Discovery and Design: Theory, Methods, Challenges, and Applications*. USA: Taylor & Francis Group, 2017

Charifson P S. *Practical Application of Computer Aided Drug Design*. New York: Dekker, 1997

**BOOKS FOR REFERENCE**

Andrew R. Leach. *Molecular Modeling: Principles and Applications*. USA: Prentice Hall, 2007.

Daan Frenkel and Berend Smit. *Understanding Molecular Simulation: From Algorithms to applications*. USA: Academic Press, 2002.

Alan Hinchliffe. *Molecular Modelling for Beginners*. USA: John Wiley & Sons, 2008

Luca Monticelli, Emppu Salonen. *Biomolecular Simulations: Methods and Protocols*. USA: Humana Press, 2016.

**JOURNALS**

Journal of Molecular Graphics and Modelling  
Journal of Computer-Aided Molecular Design  
Current Computer Aided-Drug Design

**WEB SOURCES**

<http://accessengineeringlibrary.com/browse/computer-aided-drug-design-and-delivery-systems>

<http://www.southernresearch.org/life-sciences/lead-discovery-and-optimization/medicinal-chemistry/computational-chemistry>

<http://www.ch.ic.ac.uk/local/organic/mod/>

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**PHARMACOGENOMICS**

**CODE:19BI/PI/PG24**

**CREDITS : 4**

**OBJECTIVES OF THE COURSE**

- To understand the basics of pharmacogenomics in the context of variability in drug response
- To examine factors that affect drug response and the application of pharmacogenetics to drug development and drug treatment
- To analyse the tools and databases related to pharmacogenomics

**COURSE LEARNING OUTCOMES**

On Successful completion of the course, the student will be able to

- Gain an insight on pharmacology linked to genomics
- Assess genetic polymorphisms and their importance in drug designing
- Understand structural influence in the Drug response
- Analyse different tools for pharmacogenomic analysis including ADME prediction

**Unit 1**

**Pharmacogenomics**

- 1.1 Pharmacogenomics- Introduction, basic concepts about genetic diseases
- 1.2 Personalized medicine- introduction and importance, The genetics of therapeutic targets and gene-based targets
- 1.3 Pharmacogenomics necessity in drug designing

**Unit 2**

**Genetic Variation**

- 2.1 Introduction to genetic variation, types of variants, SNPs, coding and cis/trans regulatory variants, insertion/deletions, Satellite DNA
- 2.2 Databases, National pharmacogenetics resources/efforts (PGRN), Pharmacogenomics Knowledge Base (PharmGKB)
- 2.3 Prediction of structural changes among sequences by the influence of polymorphisms.

**Unit 3**

**Pharmacokinetics & Metabolism**

- 3.1 Pharmacokinetics (PK), Pharmacodynamics (PD)
- 3.2 Tools for pharmacogenomics analysis
- 3.3 Definition of Toxicogenomics, Detoxification and poisoning. Preclinical Toxicology

## Unit 4

### Pharmacogenomics in Drug Discovery and Development

4.1 An Introduction to Drug Discovery and Development

4.2 Process in Structural Pharmacogenomics - Target Structure optimization, Validation, lead identification, ADME prediction, synthesis, assays and Clinical trials

4.3 Drug response to patients, Structural influence in the Drug response. Efficacy and metabolism of drugs, Drug metabolism pathways and adverse drug reactions

## Unit 5

### Micro array Analysis

5.1 DNA Microarray: Importance and definition, Designing a MicroArray  
Experiment: The Basic steps

5.2 Types of Microarray, NCBI and Microarray Data Management, GEO (Gene Expression Omnibus), MAML

5.3 The Promise of Microarray Technology in Treating Disease. Microarray Data, Expression Pattern, Visualizing Microarray Data

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Russ B. Altman, David Flockhart, David B. Goldstein. *Principles of Pharmacogenetics and Pharmacogenomic*.UK:Cambridge University Press, 2012.

Rapley R and Harbron S.*Molecular analysis and Genome discovery*. John Willey, 2004.

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Lori A. Nesbitt.*Clinical Research What It Is and How It Works*.UK: Jones Barlett Publishers, 2004.

Steven Piantadosi.*Clinical Trials A Methodologic Perspective*.UK:John Wiley, 2005.

Martin M. Zdanowicz. *Concepts in Pharmacogenomics*.NewYork: McGraw Hill, 2010.

## JOURNALS

The Pharmacogenomics Journal

American Journal of Pharmacogenomics

Pharmacogenomics and Personalized Medicine

Pharmacogenetics and Genomics

## WEB RESOURCES

<http://ghr.nlm.nih.gov/handbook/genomicresearch/pharmacogenomics>

<https://www.pharmgkb.org/>

<http://www.fda.gov/drugs/scienceresearch/researchareas/pharmacogenetics/ucm083378.htm>

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**SYSTEMS BIOLOGY**

**CODE: 19BI/PI/SB24**

**CREDITS : 4**

**OBJECTIVE OF THE COURSE**

- To introduce the basic concepts of Systems biology
- To train the students in designing a new organism through modelling network concept and manipulating them for biological applications

**Unit 1**

**Introduction**

- 1.1 Introduction – Systems Biology is a Living Science
- 1.2 Properties of Models-Model Behaviour- Model Development
- 1.3 Systems Biology is Data Integration

**Unit 2**

**Standard Models and Approaches in Systems Biology**

- 2.1 Standard Models and Approaches in Systems Biology
- 2.2 Enzyme Kinetics and Thermodynamics-Metabolic Networks
- 2.3 Structure of Intra- and Intercellular Communication-Receptor-Ligand Interactions

**Unit 3**

**Modeling of Gene Expression**

- 3.1 Modeling of Gene Expression-Modules of Gene Expression – Promoter
- 3.2 Identification - General Promoter Structure- Sequence-Based Prediction of Promoter  
Representation of Gene Network as Directed and Undirected Graphs
- 3.3 Bayesian Networks-Boolean Networks- Gene Expression Modeling With  
Stochastic Equations

**Unit 4**

**Analysis of Gene Expression Data**

- 4.1 Analysis of Gene Expression Data- Introduction-DataCapture-DNA Array  
Platforms
- 4.2 Image Analysis and Data Quality Control-Grid Finding- Quantification of  
Signal Intensities- Signal Validity- Pre-processing-Global Measures
- 4.3 Linear Model Approaches- Nonlinear. Fold-change Analysis

**Unit 5**

**Clustering Algorithms**

- 5.1 Clustering Algorithms-Hierarchical Clustering- Self-organizing Maps



