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**DEPARTMENT OF BIOCHEMISTRY**

**COURSE OUTCOMES**

**Course I: Chemistry of Biomolecules**

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| CO1 | **Remembering:** Recall the fundamental principles governing the structure and function of biomolecules such as carbohydrates, lipids, proteins, and nucleic acids. Memorize the nomenclature, classifications, key properties of biomolecules as outlined in biochemical literature and research. |
| CO2 | **Understanding:** Explain the interrelationship between biomolecular structures and their respective functions in living organisms. Interpret experimental data and scientific literature to comprehend the mechanisms underlying biomolecular interactions and reactions. |
| CO3 | **Applying:** Apply biochemical concepts and principles to analyze real-world scenarios, such as metabolic pathways, enzymatic reactions, and molecular interactions in biological systems. |
| CO4 | **Analysing:** Evaluate the impact of environmental factors, genetic variations, and chemical modifications on biomolecular structure, stability, and activity. |
| CO5 | **Creating:** Synthesize and propose hypotheses regarding the molecular mechanisms underlying biological processes, biomolecular structure, function |

**Course II: Chemistry of Nucleic acids and Biochemical Techniques**

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| CO1 | **Remembering:** Recall the structure, composition, and functions of nucleic acids, including DNA and RNA, and their roles in genetic information transfer and regulation. Memorize the principles and methodologies of biochemical techniques commonly used in nucleic acid analysis and manipulation, such as chromatography, gel electrophoresis. |
| CO2 | **Understanding:** Explain the chemical& physical properties of nucleic acids, their implications for the storage, transmission, expression of genetic information. Interpret the mechanisms underlying various biochemical techniques employed for nucleic acid isolation, purification, amplification etc |
| CO3 | **Applying:** Apply biochemical techniques, to investigate gene expression. Utilize computational tools and software for sequence analysis, primer design analysis of nucleic acid sequences. |
| CO4 | **Analysing:** Analyze experimental data obtained from biochemical techniques to identify genetic mutations, sequence variations, and gene expression patterns in biological samples. Evaluate the reliability, sensitivity, and specificity of nucleic acid-based assays and technologies for biomedical research, clinical diagnostics, and forensic analysis. |
| CO5 | **Creating:** Design experiments and research protocols to address specific questions related to nucleic acid structure, function, and regulation. Develop novel biochemical techniques or assay protocols for nucleic acid analysis and manipulation, considering factors such as sensitivity, specificity, and practical applicability. |

### Course III: Basics in Biochemical Calculations and Biostatistics

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| CO1 | **Remembering:** Recall fundamental biochemical concepts, including molarity, molality, percent composition, and dilution calculations. Memorize basic statistical terms, such as mean, median, mode, standard deviation, and variance, and their relevance to data analysis in biochemistry. |
| CO2 | **Understanding:** Explain the principles of biochemical calculation, their applications in preparing solutions, determining reaction kinetics, analyzing experimental data. Interpret statistical measuresm, graphical representations to describe, summarize data sets in biochemical research experimentation. |
| CO3 | **Applying:** Apply biochemical calculation methods to solve problems related to buffer preparation, enzyme kinetics, protein quantification, and nucleic acid analysis. Utilize statistical techniques, including hypothesis testing, regression analysis, and analysis of variance (ANOVA), to analyze experimental results and draw meaningful conclusions. |
| CO4 | **Analyzing:** Analyze experimental data sets using appropriate statistical methods to assess data quality, detect outliers, and identify significant differences between experimental groups. Evaluate the appropriateness of statistical tests and models for different types of experimental designs and research questions in biochemistry. |
| CO5 | **Creating:** Design experimental protocols and data analysis plans that incorporate appropriate biochemical calculations and statistical methods to address specific research hypotheses. Develop graphical representations, tables, and figures to effectively communicate experimental findings and statistical analyses in written reports and scientific presentations. |

### Course IV: Bioenergetics, Biological Oxidation and Enzymology

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| CO1 | **Remembering:** Recall the fundamental principles of bioenergetics, including the laws of thermodynamics and the concept of Gibbs free energy, and their relevance to biological systems. Memorize the structures, mechanisms, and coenzymes involved in biological oxidation-reduction reactions, such as NADH/NAD+, FADH2/FAD, and ATP/ADP. |
| CO2 | **Understanding:** Explain the pathways and mechanisms of energy production and utilization in living organisms, including glycolysis, the citric acid cycle, oxidative phosphorylation, and photosynthesis. Interpret the role of enzymes and cofactors in catalyzing biochemical reactions and regulating metabolic pathways to maintain cellular homeostasis. |
| CO3 | **Applying:** Apply biochemical principles to analyze energy transformations and metabolic pathways in various biological contexts, such as cellular respiration, fermentation, and metabolic disorders. Utilize kinetic and thermodynamic principles to analyze enzyme-catalyzed reactions, calculate reaction rates, predict the effects of temperature, pH, and substrate concentration on enzyme activity. |
| CO4 | **Analyzing:** Analyze experimental data from enzyme kinetics experiments to determine kinetic parameters, such as Michaelis-Menten constants (Kmm), maximum reaction rates (Vmax), to evaluate enzyme inhibition mechanisms. Evaluate the mechanisms of enzyme regulation, allosteric control in metabolic pathways, their significance in cellular signalling, metabolic adaptation. |
| CO5 | **Creating:** Design experiments to investigate the kinetics and mechanisms of enzyme-catalyzed reactions, considering factors such as enzyme purification, |

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| | substrate specificity, and assay conditions. Develop models or simulations to illustrate the dynamics of metabolic pathways and enzyme regulation, integrating biochemical principles with computational methods for data analysis and visualization. |

**Course V: Applied and Computational Biochemistry**

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| CO1 | **Remembering:** Recall fundamental biochemical concepts and principles, including protein structure-function relationships, enzyme kinetics, and metabolic pathways. Memorize key computational techniques and software tools used in bioinformatics and computational biology for sequence analysis, structure prediction, and molecular modeling |
| CO2 | **Understanding:** Explain the theoretical foundations and practical applications of computational methods in biochemistry, including molecular dynamics simulations, docking studies, and sequence alignment algorithms. Interpret the output and results generated by bioinformatics tools and databases to analyze biological sequences, predict protein structures, and identify functional domains. |
| CO3 | **Applying:** Apply computational techniques and software packages to solve practical problems in biochemistry and molecular biology, such as protein-ligand binding studies, drug discovery, and evolutionary analysis. Utilize bioinformatics databases and resources to annotate genes, predict protein functions, and analyze omics data sets in genomic and proteomic research. |
| CO4 | **Analyzing:** Analyze complex biological data sets using computational methods to identify patterns, relationships, and structural motifs relevant to biochemical function and evolution. Evaluate the accuracy and limitations of computational models and algorithms in predicting molecular interactions, protein folding pathways, and sequence-structure relationships. |
| CO5 | **Creating:** Design computational experiments and modeling studies to investigate biological phenomena, such as protein-protein interactions, enzyme mechanisms, and molecular dynamics of biomolecular complexes. Develop bioinformatics pipelines or software tools for data analysis, visualization, and interpretation, integrating multiple computational approaches and algorithms to address specific research questions. |

**Course VI: Intermediary Metabolism**

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| CO1 | **Remembering:** Recall the major metabolic pathways involved in the conversion of macronutrients (carbohydrates, lipids, and proteins) into energy and biomolecules. Memorize the structures, substrates, intermediates, and products of key metabolic pathways, including glycolysis, gluconeogenesis, fatty acid oxidation, and the citric acid cycle. |
| CO2 | **Understanding:** Explain the regulation and coordination of metabolic pathways in response to cellular energy demands, nutrient availability, and hormonal signals. Interpret the biochemical mechanisms underlying metabolic disorders and diseases, such as diabetes mellitus, metabolic syndrome, and fatty liver disease. |
| CO3 | **Applying:** Apply knowledge of intermediary metabolism to analyze metabolic fluxes, energy production, and substrate utilization in different physiological and pathological conditions. Utilize metabolic pathway maps and metabolic network models to predict the metabolic consequences of genetic mutations, dietary interventions, and drug treatments. |
| CO4 | **Analyzing:** Analyze experimental data from metabolic studies to assess |

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| | metabolic rates, substrate preferences, and metabolic adaptations in response to environmental stimuli or cellular stress. Evaluate the interplay between metabolic pathways and other cellular processes, such as signal transduction, gene expression, and cellular differentiation. |
| CO5 | **Creating:** Design experiments to investigate the regulation and metabolic fluxes of specific metabolic pathways using biochemical, molecular, and systems biology approaches. Develop metabolic engineering strategies to manipulate metabolic pathways for biotechnological applications, such as biofuel production, bioremediation, and pharmaceutical synthesis. |

## Course VII: Biochemistry and Physiology

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| CO1 | **Remembering:** Recall the fundamental biochemical principles underlying physiological processes such as cellular respiration, muscle contraction, and nerve transmission. Memorize the structures and functions of biomolecules including carbohydrates, lipids, proteins, and nucleic acids, and their roles in cellular physiology. |
| CO2 | **Understanding:** Explain the biochemical basis of physiological functions, including the generation of ATP through oxidative phosphorylation, hormone signaling, and neurotransmitter release. Interpret the molecular mechanisms underlying physiological phenomena such as enzyme kinetics, membrane transport, and signal transduction pathways. |
| CO3 | **Applying:** Apply knowledge of biochemistry to analyze physiological responses to environmental stimuli, stressors, and disease conditions. Utilize biochemical principles to understand the mechanisms of action of drugs, hormones, and therapeutic interventions in the context of physiological regulation. |
| CO4 | **Analyzing:** Analyze experimental data from biochemical and physiological studies to elucidate the molecular basis of health and disease states. Evaluate the integration of biochemical pathways and physiological systems in maintaining homeostasis and responding to metabolic challenges. |
| CO5 | **Creating:** Design experiments to investigate the biochemical and physiological mechanisms underlying specific physiological processes or disease conditions. Develop interdisciplinary approaches that integrate biochemical and physiological concepts to address complex research questions in health and medicine. |

## Course VIII: Physiology, Nutrition and Clinical Biochemistry

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| CO1 | **Remembering:** Recall the physiological principles underlying organ systems, including the cardiovascular, respiratory, and digestive systems, and their regulation. Memorize essential nutrients, their functions, dietary sources, and metabolic pathways involved in nutrient absorption, utilization, and storage. |
| CO2 | **Understanding:** Explain the interrelationships between physiology, nutrition, and clinical biochemistry in maintaining homeostasis and supporting optimal health. Interpret the biochemical mechanisms underlying metabolic disorders, nutrient deficiencies, and the pathophysiology of common diseases. |
| CO3 | **Applying:** Apply knowledge of physiological and biochemical principles to evaluate dietary patterns, nutritional requirements, and dietary interventions for promoting health and preventing disease. Utilize clinical laboratory tests and biochemical markers to assess nutritional status, |

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| | metabolic health, and disease risk in diverse patient populations. |
| CO4 | **Analyzing:** Analyze case studies and clinical scenarios to integrate physiological concepts, nutritional assessments, and biochemical data in diagnosing and managing health conditions. Evaluate the impact of lifestyle factors, dietary habits, and environmental exposures on metabolic health and disease outcomes. |
| CO5 | **Creating:** Design personalized nutrition and lifestyle interventions based on individualized assessments of physiological parameters, nutritional needs, and biochemical markers. Develop research proposals or public health initiatives aimed at addressing nutritional deficiencies, metabolic disorders, and chronic diseases through interdisciplinary approaches. |

**Course IX: Molecular Biology and Immunology**

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| CO1 | **Remembering:** Recall the fundamental principles of molecular biology, including DNA replication, transcription, translation, and gene regulation. Memorize the structures and functions of key molecules involved in immune responses, such as antibodies, antigens, cytokines, and major histocompatibility complex (MHC) molecules. |
| CO2 | **Understanding:** Explain the molecular mechanisms underlying cellular processes in molecular biology, including DNA repair, RNA processing, protein synthesis, and signal transduction pathways. Interpret the principles of immunology, including antigen recognition, immune cell activation, antibody diversity, and immune tolerance. |
| CO3 | **Applying:** Apply molecular biology techniques, such as PCR, cloning, gel electrophoresis, and gene expression analysis, to investigate gene function, regulation, and expression patterns. Utilize immunological assays, including ELISA, flow cytometry, and immunoblotting, to analyze immune responses, detect antigens, and quantify immune cells. |
| CO4 | **Analyzing:** Analyze experimental data from molecular biology and immunology studies to elucidate molecular mechanisms underlying disease pathogenesis, immune dysregulation, and host-pathogen interactions. Evaluate the molecular basis of immune disorders, autoimmune diseases, infectious diseases, and cancer immunotherapy strategies. |
| CO5 | **Creating:** Design experiments to investigate the molecular mechanisms of immune responses, immune cell signaling pathways, and the development of immune memory. Develop research proposals or innovative approaches for targeting molecular pathways in immunotherapy, vaccine development, or immune modulation strategies. |