MICRO 5 Course Outline as of Fall 1997

CATALOG INFORMATION

Dept and Nbr: MICRO 5 Title: GENERAL MICROBIO

Full Title: General Microbiology

Last Reviewed: 8/14/2023

Units		Course Hours per Week		Nbr of Weeks	Course Hours Total	
Maximum	5.00	Lecture Scheduled	3.00	17.5	Lecture Scheduled	52.50
Minimum	5.00	Lab Scheduled	6.00	6	Lab Scheduled	105.00
		Contact DHR	0		Contact DHR	0
		Contact Total	9.00		Contact Total	157.50
		Non-contact DHR	0		Non-contact DHR	0

Total Out of Class Hours: 105.00 Total Student Learning Hours: 262.50

Title 5 Category: AA Degree Applicable

Grading: Grade Only

Repeatability: 00 - Two Repeats if Grade was D, F, NC, or NP

Also Listed As:

Formerly:

Catalog Description:

Physiology and genetics of micro-organisms with emphasis on the bacteria. Principles of host-parasite interaction. Usually offered fall and summer.

Prerequisites/Corequisites:

Completion of CHEM 60 or higher (V6) and Completion of BIO 10 or higher (V7)

Recommended Preparation:

Limits on Enrollment:

Schedule of Classes Information:

Description: Physiology, genetics, and toxonomy of micro-organisms with emphasis on the

bacteria. Principles of host-parasite interaction. (Grade Only)

Prerequisites/Corequisites: Completion of CHEM 60 or higher (V6) and Completion of BIO 10

or higher (V7) Recommended:

Limits on Enrollment:

Transfer Credit: CSU; UC. (CAN BIOL14)

Repeatability: Two Repeats if Grade was D, F, NC, or NP

ARTICULATION, MAJOR, and CERTIFICATION INFORMATION:

AS Degree: Area Effective: Inactive:

C Natural Sciences Fall 1981

CSU GE: Transfer Area Effective: Inactive:

B2 Life Science Fall 1981

B3 Laboratory Activity

IGETC: Transfer Area Effective: Inactive:

5B Biological Sciences Fall 1981

5C Fulfills Lab Requirement

CSU Transfer: Transferable Effective: Fall 1981 Inactive:

UC Transfer: Transferable Effective: Fall 1981 Inactive:

CID:

Certificate/Major Applicable:

Not Certificate/Major Applicable

COURSE CONTENT

Outcomes and Objectives:

On completion of the course students should be able to:

- 1. Relate the discovery of micro-organisms to ubiquity, pleiomorphism and spontaneous generation.
- 2. Establish the role of micro-organisms in geochemical processes, biotechnology, and disease by applying Koch's Postulates.
- 3. Describe the connections between basic principles of chemistry and cell organization.
- 4. Describe the connection between DNA structure and it's functions.
- 5. Explain the workings of protein synsthesis and the relationship between protein structure and function.
- 6. Describe the current model of the cell membrane.
- 7. Describe the chemical basis for the functional unity of cells.
- 8. Explain why the division of life into procaryotes and eucaryotes is the great divide evolutionarily.
- 9. Sterilize various media using a variety of techniques.
- 10. Construct appropriate culture media.
- 11. Grow cells in pure culture.
- 12. Construct and analyze a standard growth curve.
- 13. Identify various types of micro-organisms by microscopy and staining.
- 14. Biotype various procaryotes.
- 15. Isolate novel organisms using enrichment culture.
- 16. Prepare, innoculatate, monitor and harvest a biofermenter.
- 17. Isolate and transfer plasmids.
- 18. Select for and isolate recombinant cultures.
- 19. Titrate and identify a virus.
- 20. Isolate and identify members of the normal human microbial flora.

- 21. Test the effects of antibiotics on bacterial cell cultures.
- 22. Define genotype and phenotype in molecular terms.
- 23. Define mutation and natural selection and explain their role in microbial evolution.
- 24. Define recombination.
- 25. Explain the role of mobile genetic elements in recombination.
- 26. Describe transformation, conjugation, and transduction and relate to recombination.
- 27. Describe the role of enzymes in recombination.
- 28. Explain the strategies for selecting and isolating recombinants.
- 29. Describe environment's role in determining nature of microbial population.
- 30. Explain the "antibiotic paradox".
- 31. Describe the discovery of the connection between virus and disease.
- 32. Define virus and place it in the hierarchy of biological organization.
- 33. Explain the interaction of virus and cells.
- 34. Relate virus cell interactions to antiviral vaccination and antiviral chemotherapy.
- 35. Describe the eradication of small pox and polio.
- 36. Describe the role of virus in biotechnology.
- 37. Explain the special interaction of virus and host genome in lysogeny and retro virus.
- 38. Relate the biochemical nature of micro-organism to difficulties in their taxonomy.
- 39. Compare and contrast traditional and modern methods of taxonomy.
- 40. Describe the taxonomy of some representative groups of procaryotes i.e. mycobacterium, lactobacillus.
- 41. Define symbiosis and explain its evolutionary origins.
- 42. Explain how symbiosis shifts the emphasis in disease from parasite to host.
- 43. Describe some major symbiotic interactions i.e. nitrogen fixation.
- 44. Explain the role of the normal flora in disease.
- 45. Describe how mechanisms of pathogenicity are defined and investigated.
- 46. Define and describe epidemiology.
- 47. Relate modern taxonomy to epidemiology and biotechnology.
- 48. Describe the basic structures and functions of non-specific resistance factors in disease.
- 49. Define and describe the immune system.
- 50. Relate various immune functions to disease resistance.
- 51. Predict advances in management of infectious disease based on immune function.
- 52. Define vaccination and differentiate among various vaccine types.
- 53. Compare vaccination against viral disease to vaccination against diseases caused by procaryotic and eucaryotic cells.
- 54. Relate techniques in microbial genetics to advances in biotechnology.
- 55. Relate enrichment culture techniques to biotechnology.
- 56. Relate wine making to traditional and modern fermentation technology.

Topics and Scope:

1. Historical development

- 1. The pre-microbial world.
- 2. Evolution of ubiquity.
- 3. The discovery of microbial world and the development of the microscope.
- 4. Pasteur's discovery of life without air.
- 5. Wine and the transformation of organic matter.
- 6. Spontaneous generation and pleiomorphism.
- 7. Koch's Postulates establish causability.
- 8. Superficiality of the classical model.
- 9. Contribution of biochemistry and molecular biology to microbiology. Biotyping. Procaryotes and eucaryotes introduced.

2. Cell biology

- 1. Atomic structure and molecular shape, high and low energy bonds in mucleic acids and proteins, free energy, activation energy, equilibria cells obey the laws of chemistry.
- 2. Lipids, membranes and cells.
- 3. DNA, RNA, Protein: Structure and functions.
- 4. ATP synthesis and cell work.
- 5. The eucaryotic cell structure and function.
- 6. The procaryotic cell structure and function.
 - a) Place of virus in hierarchy of organization.

3. Methodology

- 1. Various methods of a sterilization: including heat and filtration.
- 2. Various media and their construction and utilization.
- 3. Various methods of obtaining pure cultures.
- 4. Staining and microscopy.
- 5. Analysis and manipulation of growth: the standard curve.
- 6. Enrichment culture.
- 7. Fermentation: theory and practice.
- 8. Isolation of mutants and recombinants.
- 9. Virus titration.

4. Microbial genetics

- 1. Genome and phenotype.
- 2. Mutation, selection, adaptation.
- 3. Recombination.
 - a) mobile genetic elements (virus, plasmid, etc.).
 - b) enzymes and mechanisms.
 - c) isolation and identification of recombinants.
- 4. The environment and the genome.
 - a) The antibiotic paradox.

5. Virus

- 1. Definitions and historical background.
- 2. Interactions with cells.
 - a) retrovirus and lysogeny.
- 3. Viral disease.
 - a) vaccination and treatment: the eradication of small pox and polio.
 - b) HIV disease.

6. Taxonomy

1. Problems intrensic to taxonomy.

- 2. Traditional verus modern approaches.
- 3. Taxonomy of selected groups.
- 7. Symbiosis
 - 1. Evolutionary origins.
 - 2. Specific types i.e. nitrogen fixation, cellulose digestion.
 - 3. Impact on our model of infectious disease.
- 8. Infectious disease
 - 1. Role of normal flora.
 - 2. Mechanisms of pathogencity.
 - 3. Epidemiology.
 - 4. Role of the host in disease.
 - a) Non-specific resistance.
 - b) Immune system.
 - c) Factors influencing host resistance.
 - 5. Vaccination.
- 9. Applied microbiology
 - 1. Modern biotechnology or "genetic" engineering.
 - 2. Enrichment culture in biotechnology.
 - 3. Traditional enrichment and fermentation biology. Wine and cheese.

Assignment:

Assignments for Microbiology 5 include:

- 1. Specific reading and study assignments (averaging a chapter per week from the text and 10-12 pages of outside reading per week)
- 2. Lab reports (6-8 per semester averaging 2-3 pages)

Methods of Evaluation/Basis of Grade:

Writing: Assessment tools that demonstrate writing skills and/or require students to select, organize and explain ideas in writing.

Written homework, Lab reports, Essay exams

Writing 40 - 50%

Problem Solving: Assessment tools, other than exams, that demonstrate competence in computational or non-computational problem solving skills.

Objective exams

Problem solving 10 - 30%

Skill Demonstrations: All skill-based and physical demonstrations used for assessment purposes including skill performance exams.

Class performances

Skill Demonstrations 5 - 20%

Exams: All forms of formal testing, other than skill performance exams.

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Exams 10 - 40%

Other: Includes any assessment tools that do not logically fit into the above categories.

None

Other Category 0 - 0%

Representative Textbooks and Materials:

THE MICROBIAL WORLD: 5th edition, by Roger Y. Stanier, Prentice-Hall, 1986.

INTRODUCTION TO MICROBIOLOGY: 1st edition, by John and Catherine Ingrahan, Wadsworth, 1995