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FOUNDATION MODULE

8 weeks, 9 credit hours

First Year MBBS

5 YEAR CURRICULAR ORGANIZATION

Spiral	year	Modules							
First Spiral	ı	FND1- Foundation Cell, Genetics & Cell Death (Basics of Anatomy, Physiology, Biochemistry, Gen. Pathology, Gen Pharmacology, Community Medicine & Behavioral Sciences) 6 Weeks			Sub N	biology, hics	HEM1- Blood Module Immunity, Inflammation, Tissue repair, Antimicrobials & Neoplasia 8 Week		
		Bones, Jo		es & Muscles,	. 8 wee	RSP1- Respiratory System 4 weeks	CVS1- Cardiovascular System 4 weeks		
	II	NEU1- Nervous System 8 weeks					HNN1- Head & Neck & Special 4 weeks	END1- Endocrinology 4 weeks	
		GIL 1-GIT and Liver 8 weeks					EXC1- Renal and Excretory System 4 weeks	REP1- Reproductive System 4 weeks	
	III	IDD 1- Inf diseases	HEM2- Hema 4 weeks	12- Hematology eeks		RSP2- Respiratory System 4 weeks	CVS2- Cardiovascular System 4 weeks		
Second Spiral		GIL 2-GIT and Liver (including Nutritional Disorders) 8weeks					EXC2- Renal & Excretory System 4 weeks	END2- Endocrinology 4 weeks	
	IV	Half of the class will cover Ophthalmology in first 3 weeks of Teaching session and the other half will cover ENT/EYE modules during this period. This will be interchanged in next half of teaching session							
		OPH / EN 3 week		ORT2 Orthopedics / Trauma, 6 weeks		REP2- Reproductive Sy 8 Weeks	rstem		
		OPH / ENT 3 weeks	PH / PMR- Rheumatology &		ology / s	GEN Genetics 1 week	NEU2- Neurosciences and Psychiatry 8 weeks		
	V	Half of the class will cover Medicine & Allied and the other half will cover Surgery & Allied modules in first half of teaching session. The two halves will exchange in latter half of year.							
Third Spiral		Clinical Rotation 8:30 to 1:00 (with Ambulatory, Emergency, Intensive care) In Medicine, Pediatrics, Cardiology and Neurology units Lecture on problem based approach, twice a week Ward tutorial twice a week Student research presentation once a week					Clinical Rotation 8:30 to 1:00 (Inpatient, Ambulatory, Emergency, Intensive care and Operation Theatres) In Surgery, Gynae & Obstetrics, Orthopedics and Neurosurgery. Lecture on problem based approach, twice a week Ward tutorial twice a week Student research presentation once a week		
		PARALLEL THEMES: The following themes are not part of any individual module but shall run concurrently: Communication Skills, Clinical Skills, Writing and Presentation Skills, Article Writing, Ethics							

RATIONALE:

A Student stepping into a medical school requires orientation, and introduction to medical sciences with respect to health & disease. The student also needs certain guidelines to achieve goals to become a successful but ethical doctor in future.

Foundation module provides integration of core concepts that underlie the foundation of basic sciences and their use in clinical medicine. This will eventually lead to develop critical thinking for integration and application of basic knowledge for clinical application

TERMINAL OBJECTIVE:

By the end of Foundation module, the student shall be able to:

- Define levels of organization of human body
- Identify homeostatic mechanism and its importance in body functions
- Describe the anatomy, biochemistry & physiology of cell
- Explain different modes of transportation across the cell membrane
- Interpret the biochemistry of carbohydrates, proteins and fats
- Define & illustrate stepwise mechanism of human development
- Discuss histology of epithelium, glands, connective & muscular tissue.
- Recognize morphologic alterations in cell injury & cell death.
- Define behavioral sciences and its role in medical sciences
- Discuss community medicine and its application for a medical doctor

MODULE OBJECTIVES:

- 1. Conceptualize the integrated assembly of structures and functions in human body by relating with the arrangement of different LEVELS
- **2.** Recognize the role of physiochemical aspects for the maintenance of homeostasis.
- **3.** Identify the different types, occurrence and role of macromolecules for health
- **4.** Use light microscope to identify the various tissues stained by H/E staining.
- **5.** Relate organization and structure of different components of a cell and arrangement of cells in organ system manner in a living human body.
- **6.** Correlate the composition and basic structure of cell membrane with its functional importance and adaptation.
- 7. Interpret the physiological basis of different types of transport mechanisms through cell membrane
- **8.** Recognize the exact location of a dissected/prosected part /organ of human body with respect to various TERMS of POSITIONS,

- **9.** Discuss the pathological aspects of cell and different mechanisms associated with morphological spectrum of injury at simple and electron microscopic levels.
- 10. Differentiate between normal and abnormal cell division
- **11.** Describe the organization of cells in the epithelium and other basic tissues of body
- 12. Differentiate a human cell from a bacterial cell for the recognition of disease caused by bacteria
- **13.** Application of basic principles of chemistry in body homeostasis
- **14.** Use the knowledge of CARBOHYDRATE chemistry for health
- **15.** Classify protein on the basis of structure, function and chemical reactions and recognize their importance in balanced diet and health
- **16.** Justify the importance of LIPIDS for balanced diet and health
- **17.** Appreciate the function of Support and Protection by using the general knowledge of SKIN, FASCIA and BONES and their component tissues
- 18. Associate the Movement and Posture of human body with the structure of MUSCLES and JOINTS.
- **19.** Explain the process of energy flow within the cell.
- **20.** Explain the Physiological functions of Transportation and Exchange by applying knowledge of structure of BLOOD VESSELS.
- 21. Integrate the function of Defense with the structure of LYMPH NODES AND LYMPHATICS.
- **22.** Correlate the functions of Control and Regulation with the knowledge of arrangement and distribution of NERVOUS SYSTEM.
- **23.** Apply the basic concepts of Chemistry of Nucleic acids and their types for understanding the mechanism of transfer of genetic characters and for protein synthesis.
- **24.** Identify the various stages of development of human embryo to understand the mechanism of developmental disorders and anomalies.
- **25.** Conceptualize the interchange of substances between maternal and fetal blood by applying the knowledge of structure and functions of placenta and fetal membranes
- **26.** Relate various birth defects with genetic factors and environmental teratogens
- **27.** Recognize the importance of procedures for assessing fetal status for the wellbeing of newborn infant
- 28. Effect of endogenous (physiological) and exogenous (drug) molecules on functioning of cells
- **29.** Correlate the principles of general pharmacology for the appropriate therapy of disorders / diseases
- 30. Recognize the importance of Community medicine for the development of public health
- **31.** Recognize the importance of behavioral sciences
- **32.** Recognize the importance of medical ethics for future practice.

MODULE CONTENTS:

ANATOMY

Gross Anatomy:

- 1. Levels of organization of human body
- 2. Terminologies: Anatomical positions, Terms of positions, Anatomical planes
- 3. Terms of movement
- 4. Division and Function of Skeletal System, Classification of Bones, Gross Structure of Adult Long Bone, Parts of Young Long Bone
- 5. Bone development (ossification), Blood supply of long bone Cartilage Bone markings
- 6. General concepts of muscles
- 7. General concepts of joints
- 8. General concepts of blood vessels
- 9. Introduction to Lymphatic system
- 10. Nervous System Division CNS, PNS Neurons: Types Classification Nerve (With Its covering) & Myelin sheath
- 11. Typical Spinal Nerve
- 12. Autonomic nervous system sympathetic
- 13. Autonomic nervous system, Parasympathetic
- 14. Integumentary system Parts, function, appendages + fascia

General Histology:

- 1. Cell Introduction
- 2. Introduction to microscopy
- 3. Nucleus
- Cell Organelles (Endoplasmic Reticulum, Golgi Apparatus, Ribosomes, Centrioles, Mitochondrion, Lysosomes, Peroxisomes
- 5. Inclusions (Lipid, Glycogen, Pigments, Melanin, Lipofuscin, Lutein & Secretory Granules), Cytoskeleton (Microtubules, Filaments: Thick, Thin / Microfilaments, Intermediate)
- 6. Epithelium (Types, Location, Functions)
- 7. Epithelium:2Types, Location, Functions
- 8. Exocrine glands
- 9. Cell Surface Modification (Microvilli, Cilia, Flagella)
- 10. Cell Junctions
- 11. Connective tissue1: components
- 12. Connective tissue2: classification description of each type
- 13. Muscular tissue

General Embryology:

- 1. Mitosis + Cell cycle
- 2. Meiosis + Comparison with Mitosis
- 3. Gametogenesis: spermatogenesis and spermiogenesis
- 4. Oogenesis, Prenatal and Postnatal maturation of oocytes and comparison of gametes
- 5. Female Reproductive Cycle Ovarian cycle+ menstrual cycle
- 6. Female Reproductive organs
- 7. Transportation of ovum and fertilization
- 8. First Week of Development After Fertilization

- 9. 2nd Week of Development
- 10. 3rd week of development I, gastrulation, formation of primitive streak and notochord
- 11. 3rd week of development II: Neurulation and development of somites
- 12. Fourth to eighth weeks organogenetic period phases of embryonic development
- 13. Fourth to eighth weeks organogenetic period highlights of the fourth to eighth weeks
- 14. Fetal Period (9th Week till birth)
- 15. Fetal Membranes Amnion (including disorders of amniotic fluid) Chorion +umbilical cord, Yolk Sac
- 16. Placenta, Multiple pregnancies
- 17. Teratogenesis
- 18. Prenatal Diagnosis

PHYSIOLOGY

- 1. Homeostatic mechanism of major functional system
- 2. Extra cellular fluid and internal environment
- 3. Cell membrane (structure and functions)
- 4. Functions of Cell Organelle
- 5. Functional systems of cells (endocytosis, exocytosis, pinocytosis, phagocytosis)
- 6. Cell Signaling Mechanisms and Messenger system
- 7. Transport of Substances Across Cell Membrane Passive Transport
- 8. Transport of Substances Across Cell Membrane Active Transport (Special Reference To Sodium Pump
- 9. Resting Membrane Potential
- 10. Action Potential and Propagation of AP
- 11. Genetic structure and function
- 12. Genetic control of protein synthesis (transcription and translation)

BIOCHEMISTRY

- 1. Water: Structure and Dissociation
- 2. Physicochemical aspects
- 3. Carbohydrates: Structure, Classification and Functions
- 4. Carbohydrates: Isomerism and Monosaccharide Derivatives
- 5. Carbohydrates: Di and Polysaccharides
- 6. Amino Acids: Structure, Classification and Functions
- 7. Proteins: Classification and Functions
- 8. Structure of Proteins
- 9. Fatty acids: Structure, Classification and Functions
- 10. Lipids: Structure, Classification and Functions
- 11. Extra-cellular Matrix
- 12. Enzymes: Structure and Functions
- 13. Enzymes: Mechanism of Action
- 14. Vitamins& Minerals
- 15. Energy Flow Within the Cell
- 16. Bicarbonate buffer system (Tutorial)
- 17. Biomedical importance of Carbohydrates (Tutorial)
- 18. Biomedical importance of proteins (Tutorial)
- 19. Biomedical importance of Lipids (Tutorial)

- 20. Solutions and serial dilutions (Practical)
- 21. Detection of carbohydrates by body fluids by glucometer and uristix (Practical)
- 22. Detection of proteins by uristix (Practical)
- 23. Enzyme action and estimations (Practical)
- 24. Nucleic Acids
- 25. Replication and Repair
- 26. Transcription
- 27. Post-Transcriptional Modification
- 28. Regulation of Gene Expression
- 29. Translation and Post-Translational Modification
- 30. Biotechnology and Human Diseases
- 31. Gene Defects: (Tutorial)

GENERAL PHARMACOLOGY,

- 1. Introduction to Pharmacology, Routes of administration of drugs
- 2. Dosage of drugs, Calculation
- 3. Factors Modifying the Drug Response
- 4. Pharmaco-kinetics (overview)
- 5. Pharmaco-dynamics, (overview)
- 6. Adverse drug reactions/Drug-Drug interactions

GENERAL PATHOLOGY:

- 1. Introduction of pathology
- 2. Cell injury and cell death
- 3. Morphologic alterations in cell injury
- 4. Mechanisms of cell injury
- 5. Apoptosis
- 6. Intracellular accumulations

MICROBIOLOGY

- 1. Basic bacteriology & Structure of bacterial cell
- 2. Bacterial Genetics
- 3. Classification and Growth of bacteria, Normal flora
- 4. Pathogenesis of microorganisms
- 5. An account of a Microbiology Lab, Use of microscope for identification of bacteria and different staining methods (Grams Staining, Acid fast staining) Practical
- 6. Sterilization and Disinfection

COMMUNITY MEDICINE

- 1. Introduction to community medicine
- 2. Origin and determinants of disease
- 3. Health system research
- 4. Healthy city

BEHAVIORAL SCIENCE

- 1. Introduction to behavioral science web
- 2. Culture, cultural influences, belief
- 3. Delivery culturally relevant care
- 4. Value & attitudinal transformation

MEDICAL ETHICS

- 1. Introduction to bioethics (Definition of terms and Major Principals of Bioethics)
- 2. Clinical Ethics (Autonomy {Informed Consent/Choices}, Maximum Benefits {Beneficence}, No Harm {Non-maleficence}, Resource allocation/fairness/Distributive Justice).
- 3. Truth Telling
- 4. Privacy and confidentiality
- 5. Human Subject research Ethics
- 6. Plagiarism

The contents are subjected to be altered according to requirement of academic calendar

TEACHING STRATIGIES

LARGE CLASS FORMATS

Lectures

SMALL GROUP DISCUSSION

- Demonstrations
- Tutorial
- Practical
- Skill labs
- Case based learning sessions

CASE BASED LEARNING

1. CBL:1

- Define Osmosis and how hypernatremia disturbs the osmolarity and cellular function
- Enumerate the Factors affecting the movement of water and electrolytes across cell membrane (Between extracellular and intracellular compartment)
- Enumerate the causes of Hypervolemia Hypernatremia, Isovolumic Hypernatremia and Hypovolemic Hypernatremia
- How homeostasis is achieved if water and electrolytes are disturbed

2. CBL:2

- What is menstrual cycle.
- What are the phases of menstrual cycle.
- Which hormones are released during the cycle?
- How they are controlled?
- What are their effects?
- Explain histological changes in ovary and endometrium.

3. CBL:3

- Structure, function and different parts of cell.
- Importance of cell membrane in regulating various function and defects in disease states.
- Importance of nucleus in defining cell function and determining phenotype and genotype of the species.
- Structure, number and types of chromosomes.
- Effects of Chromosomal anomalies on gross appearance and physiological functions of human body
- Clinical feature of this syndrome and name it.
- Social and ethical issues associated with this syndrome.
- Other syndromes of numerical and structural chromosomal abnormalities.

4. CBL:4

- Define Twin pregnancy.
- Classify the twin pregnancy on the basis of fetal membranes.
- Describe the predisposing factor leading to twin pregnancy
- Explain the types and complications of twin pregnancy.

LEARNING OBJECTIVES OF SKILL LAB

- I. First aid Skills part 1 (bleeding, soft tissue injuries)
- II. First aid Skills part 2 (burns, fractures, vertebral injury)
 - Assemble a First Aid Kit with at least twelve essential contents.
 - Demonstrate appropriate communication skills while handling a patient requiring first aid.
 (especially reassurance to patient)

Following five common injuries will be addressed: -

I- Bleeding

 Demonstrate the appropriate methods of managing external bleeding. (Direct pressure, compressing pressure points, elevation).

II- Soft Tissue Injuries

• Demonstrate proper management of wounds including assessment, cleaning and dressing (head, forearm and hand, leg and ankle).

III. Vertebral column Injury

• Demonstrate correct rolls, moves, and lifts in transporting a patient to avoid spinal cord injury (log roll, spine stabilization)

IV. Bony Injuries (Fractures)

• Demonstrate the correct method of splinting fractures in leg and arm.

V. Burns

• Demonstrate the correct method of first aid management of burns.

ASSESSMENT PLAN

FOUNDATION MODULE

	WEIGHTAGE
ANNUAL EXAM	
	70%
MODULE EXAM INTERNAL EVALUATION	30%

CREDIT HOURS						
Foundation	9					

CREDIT HOURS (DISCIPLINE WISE)				
Discipline	Credit Hours			
Anatomy	3.5			
Biochemistry	2.5			
Physiology	0.925			
Pathology	0.4			
Microbiology	0.5			
Pharmacology	0.375			
Community Medicine	0.3			
Behavioral Sciences	0.275			
CBL	0.375			
Skill Lab	0.125			

BOOKS

ANATOMY

CLINICALLY ORIENTED ANATOMY

KEITH.L.MOORE, Arthur F. Dalley, Anne M.R. Agur 7th or Latest EDITION

• GRAY'S ANATOMY FOR STUDENTS

Drake & Vogl & Mitchell 3rd or Latest EDITION

• CLINICAL ANATOMY BY REGIONS (REFERENCE BOOK)

Richard S. SNELL 9th EDITION

• LAST'S ANATOMY: REGIONAL & APPLIED (REFERENCE BOOK)

Chummy S. Sinnatamby 12th or Latest EDITION

ATLAS OF HUMAN ANATOMY

FRANK H.NETTER
6th EDITION

EMBRYOLOGY

• LANGMAN'S MEDICAL EMBRYOLOGY

T.W.SADLER

13th EDITION

• THE DEVELOPING HUMAN CLINICALLY ORIENTED EMBRYOLOGY (REFERENCE BOOK)

MOORE & PERSAUD & TORCHIA

10th EDITION

HISTOLOGY

MEDICAL HISTOLOGY

LAIQ HUSSAIN SIDDIQUI

5TH or Latest EDITION

WHEATERS FUNCTIONAL HISTOLOGY

BARBARA YOUNG

5th EDITION

• BASIC HISTOLOGY(TEXT AND ATLAS) (REFERENCE BOOK)

LUIZ JUNQUEIRA, JOSE CARNEIRO

11th or Latest EDITION

PHYSIOLOGY

GUYTON AND HALL TEXTBOOK OF MEDICAL PHYSIOLOGY

GUYTON AND HALL

13th EDITION

BIOCHEMISTRY

LIPPINCOTT'S ILLUSTRATED REVIEWS SERIES

DENISE R. FERRIER

6th EDITION

• HARPERS ILLUSTRATED BIOCHEMISTRY (REFERENCE BOOK)

VICTOR RODWELL, DAVID BENDER, KATHLEEN M. BOTHAM, PETER J. KENNELLY,

P. ANTHONY WEIL

28th EDITION

PATHOLOGY

ROBBINS BASIC PATHOLOGY

KUMAR & ABBAS
9TH EDITION

ROBBINS & COTRAN PATHOLOGIC BASIS OF DISEASE (REFERENCE BOOK)

KUMAR & ABBAS & ASTER 9th EDITION

COMMUNITY MEDICINE

 PUBLIC HEALTH AND COMMUNITY MEDICINE SHAH, ILYAS, ANSARI 7th EDITION

PHARMACOLOGY

 LIPPINCOTT'S ILLUSTRATED REVIEW PHARMACOLOGY KAREN WHALEN
 6th or Latest Edition

BASIC AND CLINICAL PHARMACOLOGY (REFERENCE BOOK)
 BERTRAM G. KATZUNG
 11th EDITION

MICROBIOLOGY

 REVIEW OF MEDICAL MICROBIOLOGY AND IMMUNOLOGY WARREN LEWINSON 14th EDITION

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