

Subject-specific Entrance Test Table Of Specification PhD (Microbiology)

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	Theme	Topic
1	Microbial Genetics and	Structure and function of microbial DNA, RNA, and proteins
	Molecular Biology	Mechanisms of gene expression and regulation in bacteria
		and viruses
		Horizontal gene transfer mechanisms and genetic recombination.
		Microbial genomics and applications
2.	Microbial Biochemistry and Metabolism	Enzymes in microbial pathways
		Metabolic diversity in microbes: aerobic and anaerobic respiration, fermentation
		Microbial culture media
		Growth and nutritional requirements of microorganisms
		Microbial products of industrial use.
3.	Microbial Physiology and	Environmental factors affecting microbial growth
	Ecology	Microbial stress responses.
		Biofilm formation and its physiological implications
		Microbial survival strategies
4.	Microbial Pathogenesis	Host immune responses to microbial infections
	and Immunity	Molecular diagnostics in microbial infections
		Microbial evasion mechanisms against immune system
		Toxin production by microorganisms
5.	Antimicrobials and	Mechanisms and targets of various classes of antibiotics
	Resistance	Antiviral, antifungal, and antiparasitic strategies
		Emerging strategies in antimicrobial therapy
		Mechanisms of drug resistance.
6.	Advanced Microbiology	Advanced techniques in microbiological research
	and Immunological	The microbiome and its impact on health and disease
	Techniques	Vaccinology and immunotherapies based on microbial antigens
7	Biosafety and Biosecurity	Principles of Biosafety and Biosecurity
		Biosafety levels
		Disposal of Biological waste
		Good laboratory practice