BO 4.1: Cytogenetics and Plant Breeding

Credits: 4 Lectures: 60

Objectives:

1. To understand the cell structure, function and different aspects of cytogenetical studies.

- 2. To study importance of plants and inculcate the importance of farming based
- 3. To reveal the different aspects of plant breeding.
- 4. To provide platform to develop the investigation abilities by using biological tools.
- 5. To provide training in scientific and transferable skills through modular lecture courses.
- 6.To provide basic knowledge to be able to sustain in upcoming green revolution.

Credit: I Cytogenetics-I (15L)

1. Cell division: Mitosis and Meiosis.

- 2 .Concept of Gene: Allele, Multiple allele, Pseudoallele, Complementation test.
- 3. Mendelian Principles: Dominance, Segregation and Independent assortment.
- 4. Extensions of Mendelian Principles: Codominance, Incomplete dominance, Gene interaction, Pleiotropy, Genomic imprinting, Penetrance, Expressivity and Phenocopy.
- Extra chromosomal inheritance: Inheritance of mitochondria and chloroplast genes,
 Maternal inheritance and its effect.
- 6. Quantitative genetics- Introduction to complex traits, Polygenic inheritance. Heritability & its measurement, QTL Mapping.

Credit II: Cytogenetics-II (15L)

- 1. Microbial genetics: Mapping of bacterial genome by interrupted mating.
- 2. Mutation: Types, causes and detection, Mutant types-lethal, Conditional, Biochemical, Gain of function, Loss of function, Germinal vs somatic mutant, Insertional mutagene.
- 3. Linkage and mapping in eukaryotes: Linkage and crossing over, Sex linkage, Sex limited and sex influenced characters. Recombination: homologous and non-homologous includ-

- -ing transposition, Linkage maps, Lod score for linkage testing, Mapping by 3 point test cross, Mapping by tetrad analysis in Yeast and Neurospora, mapping with molecular markers, Mapping by using somatic cell hybrids, Development of mapping population in plants.
- 4. Karyotypes and genetic disorders.
- 5. Structural alterations of chromosomes: Deletion, Duplication, Inversion, Translocation, Complex translocation heterozygotes, Robertsonian translocations, BA translocations and their genetic implications.
- 6. Numerical alterations of chromosomes: Euploidy and aneuploidy and their genetic implications.

Credit III: Plant Breeding-I (15L)

- 1. Plant Breeding- Objectives, Plant Genetic resources and their conservation: Centers of origin and centers of diversity, Importance of genetic diversity in crop improvement and its erosion.
- 2. Breeding methods in self pollinated crops: Mass selection, Pure line selection, Pedigree selection, Bulk method, Backcross method.
- Breeding methods in Cross pollinated crops: Mass selection, Progeny selection,
 Recurrent selection.
- 4. Breeding methods in clonally propagated crops: Clonal selection, hybridization.

Credit IV: Plant Breeding-II (15L)

- 1. Hybridization methods in plants.
- 2 Heterosis breeding.
- 3. Mutation breeding: Types, Mutagens: Physical and chemical mutagens, Mutant types, Role of mutation in breeding.
- 4. Role of polyploidy in plant breeding.
- 5. Breeding for biotic and abiotic stress resistance (fungal disease resistance and drought resistance).
- 6. Release of new variety, seed production and maintenance.

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BO 4.2: Plant Biotechnology & Genetic Engineering

Credits: 4 Lectures: 60

Objectives

- 1. To know the molecular aspect.
- 2. To study Agrobacterium mediated gene transfer.
- 3. To know the DNA sequencing.
- 4, To know the tissue culture techniques.

Credit I: Plant tissue culture: (15L)

- 1. History of plant tissue culture.
- 2. Laboratory condition requirement.
- 3. Tools and techniques for tissue culture.
- 4. Culture media and their constituents
- 5. Types of culture (Anther, callus, Micropropagation) and application of tissue culture.
- 6. Somaclonal variation and its significance.
- 7. Protoplast culture and somatic hybridization.
- 8. Cryopreservation.

Credit II: Recombinant DNA technology and gene cloning (15L)

- 1. Introduction to recombinant DNA technology.
- 2. Enzymes used in recombinant DNA technology.
- 3. Recombinant technology and gene cloning.
- 4. Use of vectors in cloning- Plasmids, cosmids, BACs and YACs.

5. DNA Sequencing methods (Maxum Gillbert, Sangers, Pyrosequencing and Next generation sequencing).

Credit III: Gene libraries and Screening of recombinants (15L)

- 1. Genomic and cDNA libraries choice of vectors and construction.
- RNA Interference mechanism, synthesis and its application. Virus Induced Gene Silencing(VIGS).
- 3. Concept of genomics and proteomics.
- 4. Concept of Human genome Project (HGP).

Credit IV: Genetic transformation of plan (15L)

- Agrobacterium: Ti and Ri plasmids, transfer of DNA into host by Agrobacterium, mechanism of integration of DNA into plant genomes, vectors for chloroplast transformation, vectors for marker-free selection.
- 2. Transformation techniques: Agrobacterium-mediated, Factors affecting transformation.
- 3. Molecular markers and their applications.

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B.O.4.3: Plant Pathology-II

Credits: 4 Lectures: 60

Objectives:

- 1. To awaken the students about microbial world and the nature of diseases of plants.
- 2. To understand the principles and concept in plant pathology.
- 3. To understand the relationships between pathogens and plants.
- 4. To become familiar with terms and references used to diagnose plant disease.
- 5. To develop the awareness about the importance of plant disease in human life.
- 6. To learn the basic biology of major groups of plant pathogens.
- 7. To explain the concept of plant disease and disease pyramid.
- 8. To describe main modes of plant disease transmission.

Credit I: Introduction to Plant Pathology (15L)

1. History: Beginning of modern plant pathology; Contribution of Anton De Bray;

Benedict Prevost; J.C. Kuhn; Paul Neergaard, P.H. Geregory. History of the development of plant pathology in India; plant disease clinics.

- 2. Disease inciting agents:
 - i) Biotic agents: Bacteria, viruses, fungi, Mycoplasma, nematodes.
 - ii) Abiotic agents: Air pollution; mineral elements, temperature, toxic effects of improperly used chemicals.
- 3. Symptoms of plant diseases: Symptoms caused by Fungi, Bacteria, Viruses, Mycoplasma

and Nematodes.

- 4. Dissemination of plant pathogen: Dissemination by Air, Water, Buds, Insects, Man and transmission of plant viruses.
- 5. Economic importance of plant diseases.

Credit- II: Epidemiology and forecasting of plant diseases (15L)

- 1. Epidemiology and forms of epidemics:
 - i) Compound interest diseases, simple interest, diseases slow and rapid epiphytotics.
 - ii) Essential conditions of epidemics, decline of epidemics.
 - iii) Disease measurement, disease severity, analysis of epidemics.
- 2. Disease forecasting methods.
- 3. Pathogenesis: Penetration and entry by plant pathogen; Pre-penetration; Entry through natural opening; Direct penetration; Entry through wounds, root hairs and buds.
- 4. Survivals of plant pathogen.
- 5. Effects of infection on the host:
 - i) Tissue disintegration.
 - ii) Effect on growth of host.
 - iii) Effect on reproduction
 - iv) Effect on uptake and translocation of water and nutrients
 - v) Effect on respiration of host.

Credit- III: Diseases of crop plants I (15L)

Symptomology, causal organism, etiology and control measures of:-

- 1) Stem rust of Wheat.
- 2) Leaf blight of Wheat.
- 3) Head smut of Jowar.

- 4) Wilt of Arhar.
- 5) Leaf spot of Potato (Cercospora).
- 6) Tikka disease of Groundnut.
- 7) Leaf spot of Cotton.

Credit IV: Diseases of crop plants II (15L)

Symptomology, causal organism, etiology and control measures of:-

- 1) Leaf curl of Chilly.
- 2) Anthracnose of Mango.
- 3) Wilt of Sugarcane.
- 4) Black rot of Crucifers.
- 5) Fruit rot of Cucurbits.
- 6) Gummosis of sugarcane.
- 7) Downy mildew of Maize.
- 8) Rust of Pea.

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B.O.4.4: Plant Pathology-III

Credits: 4 Lectures: 60

Objectives:

1. To awaken the students about microbial world and the nature of diseases of plants.

- 2. To understand the principles and concept in plant pathology.
- 3. To understand the relationships between pathogens and plants.
- 4. To become familiar with terms and references used to diagnose plant disease.
- 5. To develop the awareness about the importance of plant disease in human life.
- 6. To learn the basic biology of major groups of plant pathogens.
- 7. To explain the concept of plant disease and disease pyramid.
- 8. To describe main modes of plant disease transmission.

Credit I: Effect of environment on pathogenesis: (15L)

- Effect of environment, temperature, moisture, humidity, shade, wind, light, pH, O2 and CO2 concentration.
- 2. Role of Toxins in Plant pathogenesis: Pathotoxins, Vivo toxins and Phyto toxins.
- 3. Effect of toxins on plant tissues: Selective and non-selective toxins.
- 4. Seed Pathology: Scope and importance; seed health testing; methods and procedures; detection of seed borne-fungi, Bacteria and viruses. Seed bio deterioration: Biochemical changes, Morphological abnormalities, loss in

germinability. Mycotoxins, fusarium toxin and aflatoxin. Control of Post-harvest spoilage of grains.

Credit II: Genetic Variability: (15L)

- 1.Genetic Variability in plant pathogen:
 - i) Genetic Variability in viruses
 - ii) Genetic Variability in Fungi
 - iii) Level of variability in pathogen
 - iv) Loss of virulence
- 2. Genetics and molecular basis of host parasite interaction:
 - i) Evolution of parasitism.
 - ii) Genetics of host parasite interaction.
 - iii) Gene for gene relationship.
 - iv) Criteria for gene for gene relationship.
 - v) Molecular basis of host parasitic interaction.
- 3. Physiologic specialization: General accounts.

Credit- III: Diseases of crop plants-I: (15L)

Symptomology, causal organism and control measures of:

- 1) Long smut of Sorghum.
- 2) Die back of Chilly.
- 3) Charcoal rot of Soyabean.
- 4) Leaf curl of Papaya.

- 5) Black heart of Potato.
- 6) Stem canker of Potato.
- 7) Fusarium wilt of Tomato.

Credit IV: Diseases of crop plants II: (15L)

Symptomology, causal organism and control measures of:

- 1) Black spot of Crucifers.
- 2) Loose smut of Sorghum.
- 3) Rust of Bean.
- 4) Brown Rust of Wheat.
- 5) Powdery mildew of Cucurbits.
- 6) Downy mildew of Grapes.
- 7) Sandal spike Disease.
- 8) Ear cockles of Wheat

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PRACTICALS:

Lab course -VII Based on theory paper BO 4.1 and BO 4.2.

PRACTICALS: Based on BO 4.1

- 1. Preparation of stains, Fixatives, preservatives and pretreatments to plant material.
- 2. Problems on determination of blood grouping
- 3. Problems based on Multiple alleles.
- 4. Problems based on Gene mapping.
- 5. Problems based on linkage.
- 6.Study of meiotic configuration from suitable plant material.
- 7. Study of chromosomal aberrations in irradiated plant material.
- 8. Study of Polygenic inheritance.
- 9. Problems of Mendelian inheritance and estimation of gene frequencies and heterozygotic frequencies, population genetics and Linkage.
- 10. Neurospora tetrad analysis.
- 11.Linear differentiation of chromosomes through banding techniques such as
 - C-Banding, G-Banding and Q-Banding.
- 12. Floral Biology, study of Pollen Viability, germination in vitro and staining of any two major crops.
- 13.Study of monohybrid and dihybrid crosses and interactions.
- 14. Study of quality traits in rice, cotton/wheat/soybean/Brassica.
- 15.Use of Colchicine for induction of polyploidy in appropriate plant material.
- 16.Demonstration of techniques of hybridization .
- 17.Effect of physical or chemical mutagens on crop plants of M1 and M2 population.
- 18. Visit to research institutes / Biotechnology/ Tissue culture laboratories / Agriculture Universities.

Based on BO 4.2 Plant Biotechnology & Genetic Engineering

- 1. Sterilization Techniques.
- 2. Preparation of stock solutions.
- 3. Preparation of Media MS Medium.
- 4. Surface sterilization of explants.
- 5. Characterization of Callus.
- 6. Protoplast isolation.
- 7. Preparation of Synthetic seeds.
- 8. Growth characteristics of E.coli using platting & turbidiometric method.
- 9. To detect mutants variant of a given platting techniques.
- 10. Isolation of plasmid from E.Coli by enzymatic method.
- 11. Effect of temperature and alkali on absorption of DNA: hyperchromicity
- 12. Isolation of RNA and its quantification.
- 13. Visit to Plant tissue culture laboratory.

(Based on theory paper BO 4.3 and BO 4.4)

Practicals Based on theory paper BO 4.3

- 1. Extraction and estimation of pigments in healthy and diseased plants.
- 2. Detection of sugars from healthy and infected leaves by paper chromatography.
- 3. Production and assay of macerating enzymes.
- 4. Production and assay of polygalactronase, cellulolytic enzymes, amylase.
- 5. Estimation of plant pigment from diseased and healthy plants
- 6.Detection of sugars from healthy and diseased leaves by paper chromatography.
- 7. Estimatin of total phenol from diseased plant part.
- 8. Extraction and separation of alpha toxins
- 9-20 Symptomology, histopathology of disease given in theory.
- 17. Visits to fields for study of diseases.

Practicals: Based on theory paper BO 4.4

- 1. Detection of seed borne-fungi and Bacteria.
- 2. Evaluation of fungicide against plant pathogenic fungi.
- 3. Evaluation of Bioagents against plant pathogenic fungi
- 4. Evaluation of antibiotics against pathogenic bacteria.
- 5. Extraction and estimation of pigments in healthy and diseased plants.
- 6. Isolation of plant pathogen from infected plant parts.
- 7. Preparation of nutrient agar medium and PDA.
- 8. Study of common effect of pollutants –So2,No and NH3 on leaves of common crop plants.
- 9. Estimation of protein from infected seeds.
- 10-22 Symptomology, histopathology of disease given in theory.

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