

# Paper DLTC 03: Clinical Microbiology (General and Systematic)

## THEORY

### Module 1:

- Introduction to microbiology- historical prospective, principle of microbiology, microscopes (types and uses)
- Bacteria: Classification, anatomy, reproduction, growth and nutrition.
- Sterilization:- methods employed, both physical and chemical.
- Media used in Microbiology:- Classification, types, constituents, methods of preparation, adjustment of pH, sterilization.

### Module 2:

- Serology:- Antigen, antibody, antigen-antibody reaction.
- Newer methods of diagnosis: PCR, Bactec, Flow cytometry.

### Module 3:

- Systemic (Individual Bacteria): Diagnosis features (morphology, cultured characters, biochemical reaction,, antigenic characters, pathogenicity and laboratory diagnosis) of *Staphylococcus*, *Streptococcus*, *Pneumococcus*, *Neisseria*, *Corynebacteria*, *Clostridia*, *Escherichia coli*, *Klebsiella species*, *Salmonella*, *Shigella*, *Proteus*, *Pseudomonas*, *Mycobacterium tuberculosis*, *Treponema pallidum*.

## PRACTICALS

1. Preparation of smears for staining and fixation from samples and culture media (both liquid and solid media):
2. Care and use of microscopes (including Fluorescent microscope).
3. Staining techniques: (Gram staining, zeihl nelson, Fluorescent method): preparation of satins, procedure, reporting of smears, principle involved.
4. Equipments used in sterilization: Description (structure), working principle involved, articles sterilized, advantages and disadvantages.
5. Culture media: types, constituents of each media, method of preparation, adjustment of pH, sterilization, uses.
6. Culture techniques: different methods of inoculation from clinical samples and bacterial growth from media.
7. Preparation of wet mount and motility of organisms.
8. Sputum examination: Physical examination, wet preparation, smear examination, concentration techniques for mycobacteria.
9. Serology: Widal, VDRL, RPR, ELISA, PCR, Flow cytometry.
10. Systemic bacteriology: Practical demonstration of diagnostic features of
  - Gram positive organisms.
  - Gram negative organisms.
  - Anaerobes, spirochetes.