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Date: 03-11-2022

Sub.: Minor modification in the syllabus of M.Sc. (Clinical Embryology & Pre implantation Genetics) course under Specialized Programs from the academic year 2022-23-reg.

Ref.: 1. Decision of the BOS Meeting held on 03-08-2022.

- 2. Decision of the Faculty of Science & Technology meeting held on 15-09-2022.
- 3. Decision of the Academic Council meeting held on 23-09-2022.

The Board of Studies in M.Sc. (Clinical Embryology & Pre implantation Genetics) (PG) at its meeting held on 03-08-2022 has resolved and recommended modification in the syllabus of M.Sc. (Clinical Embryology & Pre implantation Genetics) course under specialized/specified programs from the academic year 2023-23.

The Faculty of Science & Technology and the Academic Council at their meetings held on 15-09-2022 and 23-09-2022 respectively, have also approved the above said proposal and the same is hereby notified.

The modified syllabus of M.Sc. (Clinical Embryology & Pre implantation Genetics) course may be downloaded from the University website <a href="https://uni-mysore.ac.in/PMEB/">https://uni-mysore.ac.in/PMEB/</a>.

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To:

1. The Registrar (Evaluation), University of Mysore, Mysuru.

- 2. The Dean, Faculty of Science & Technology, DoS in Earth Science, Manasagangothri, Mysuru.
- 3. Prof. Gopal Marathe, DoS in Biochemistry, Manasagangothri, Mysuru.
- 4. The Director, Asia Pacific Institute of Embryology, #12246/A, Vijayanagara 4<sup>th</sup> Stage, 2<sup>nd</sup> phase, Outer Ring Road, Mysuru,
- 5. The Deputy Registrar/ Superintendent, Examination Branch, UOM, Mysuru.
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# Proceedings of the Board of Studies Meeting for the subject MSc. (Clinical Embryology and Preimplantation Genetics).

Place: Asia Pacific Institute of Embryology

Date: August 3rd, 2022

Time: 2.00 PM

#### Members Present:

Prof Gopal Marathe - Chairman

Dr Suresh Kattera - Member

Dr Yogitha Rao - Member

Prof M Y Sreenivasa - Member

Dr K L Krishna - Member

Dr Muthukumar Serva Peddha - Member

Members Unable to Attend: Dr. Sowmya Dinesh, Dr Pushpalatha, Dr Prakash Savanur

The Chairman welcomed the members and initiated the Board of Studies Meeting for the subject M.Sc (Clinical Embryology and Preimplantation Genetics)

- 1. To create Clinical Embryology Discipline to award PhD: The Board Members suggested the formation of a separate Clinical Embryology Discipline. (Attached as Annexure 1)
- Syllabus: The Committee made few changes in the curriculum looking into the advancement made in the Clinical Embryology and Preimplantation Genetics. Minimum changes of 20 – 40 % made in the syllabus for the academic year 2022-2024 ( Attached as Annexure 2 )
- 3. Examiners list: The list was revised and approved by the BOS Members (enclosed the same) shall be mailed to the Registrar (Evaluation) for reference.( Attached as Annexure 3)

The chairman concluded the meeting by proposing vote of thanks.

Prof Gopal Marathe

Dr. Suresh Kattera

Prof M V Sreanivas

ON 103.08.2022

Dr K L Krishna

Dr Muthukumar Serva Peddha

## Syllabus (Annexure 2) MSc (Clinical Embryology and Preimplantation Genetics) Regulations and Syllabus

#### I Semester (18 Credits)-No changes

SI.	Code	Title of the Paper	Credit	t patte	ern	Total
No.			L	Т	Р	Credits
1		Introduction to Reproductive system	2	0	0	2
2		Introduction to infertility	2	0	0	2
3		Introduction to embryology	0	0	6	6
		laboratory				
4		Andrology laboratory Techniques	0	0	8	8
`			4	0	14	18

#### II Semester (20 credits)-No changes

SI.	Code	Title of the Paper	Credi	t patter	n	Total
No.			L	Т	Р	Credits
1		Principles of genetics and	2	0	0	2
		Reproductive Endocrinology				
2		Assisted Reproduction	2	0	0	2
3		Clinical Embryology Techniques	0	0	8	8
4		Cryopreservation Techniques	0	0	8	8
			4	0	16	20

#### III Semester (20 credits)-No changes

SI.	Code	Title of the Paper	Credi	t patter	'n	Total
No.			L	Т	Р	Credits
1		Research methodology and Preimplantation Genetic Diagnosis	2	0	0	2
2		Principles of Cryopreservation	2	0	0	2
3		Intracytoplasmic sperm injection (ICSI)	0	0	8	8
4		Micromanipulation & Embryo Biopsy Techniques	0	0	8	8
			4	0	16	20

#### IV Semester (20 credits)-No changes

SI.	Code	Title of the Paper	Credit	patter	'n	Total
No.			L	Т	Р	Credits
1		New developments in ART	2	0	0	2
2		Regulation and ethics in assisted reproduction	2	0	0	2
3		Research Seminar	0	4	0	4
4		Project Work	0	0	10	10
			4	4	10	18

Transfer

#### Lecture (2 Credits 2 hours / week)

#### **Proposed Changes/additions Existing syllabus Introduction to Reproductive System Introduction to Reproductive System** Introduction to Evolution, Cell biology, Anatomy Introduction to Evolution, Cell and molecular Physiology, Genetics and development of biology- somatic cells, Cell membranes, ER, vertebrates microville, Cell cytoplasm, microtubules, Embryology; history and concepts microfilaments, centrioles, nucleus, active and Primordial germ cells. Gonadogenesis; inactive chromatin, mitochondria, Nuclear RNA, Female reproductive system and female endoplasmic reticulum, golgi apparatus, anatomy: development of ovary, oogenesis, metabolism of cell (mammalian), Reactive folliculogenesis, and oocyte development, oxygen species, super Oxide Dismutase, gamete transport, Fertilization, zygote formation methylation, DNA replication, Homeobox genes, & Cleavage, early development of embryos, Ribosomal RNA, Transfer RNA, Messenger RNA, Blastulation & gastrulation, Germ laver Transcription in oocytes, Translation (Protein synthesis), cellular replication, mitosis, meiosis, formation, implantation. Male Reproductive system and male anatomy; chromosomes, chromatin, chromatids, centromere, Kinetochore, Diploid, Haploid, development of testes; spermatogenesis and spermiogenesis Aneuploid, HeLa cells. Seminal plasma and its composition, Biochemical Anatomy Physiology, Genetics and development analysis of semen sample, microbiological of vertebrates analysis of semen sample, Antisperm antibodies, Embryology; history and concepts Structure and function of spermatozoa, Primordial germ cells. Gonadogenesis; Preparation of embryology lab and personnel for Female reproductive system and female oocyte retrieval, selection of culture media and anatomy: development of ovary, oogenesis, disposables, Equilibration of culture tubes and folliculogenesis, and oocyte development, dishes, composition of culture media, use of gamete transport, Fertilization, zygote formation culture media for different purposes, & Cleavage, early development of embryos, Insemination procedures, Denudation and Blastulation & gastrulation, Germ layer fertilization check, zygote, cleavage and formation, implantation. blastocyst development assessment, Embryo

Male Reproductive system and male anatomy; development of testes; spermatogenesis and spermiogenesis

Seminal plasma and its composition, Biochemical analysis of semen sample, microbiological analysis of semen sample, Antisperm antibodies, Structure and function of spermatozoa, Preparation of embryology lab and personnel for oocyte retrieval, selection of culture media and disposables, Equilibration of culture tubes and dishes, composition of culture media, use of culture media for different purposes, Insemination procedures, Denudation and fertilization check, zygote, cleavage and

blastocyst development assessment, Embryo

Transfer

## Theory Paper 2: Introduction to Infertility Lecture (2 Credits 2 hours / week)

**Existing** 

#### 2 Credits

# Reproductive health, Infertility; definition, history, Incidence of infertility; global fertility history, Incidence and declining birth rates, society and infertility. Age and declining fertility, Causes of male infertility; anatomical causes and varicocele, hormonal causes, genetic causes, environmental hormonal causes Female infertility: Anatomical causes, hormonal causes Female infertility: Anatomical causes, hormonal causes, polycystic ovary syndrome, anovulation Investigation of male: Physical examination, Investigation

semen examination and hormonal assessment

Reproductive health, Infertility; definition, history, Incidence of infertility; global fertility rates and declining birth rates, society and infertility. Age and declining fertility, Causes of male infertility; anatomical causes and varicocele, hormonal causes, genetic causes, environmental causes

Female infertility: Anatomical causes, hormonal causes, polycystic ovary syndrome, anovulation Investigation of male: Physical examination, semen examination and hormonal assessment

Investigation of the female: Physical examination,	Investigation of the female: Physical examination,
hormonal evaluation	hormonal evaluation

#### Introduction to Embryology Laboratory Techniques

#### Practical Paper 1: (6 Credits, 12 hours / week)

Existing	No Changes
Introduction to Embryology Laboratory	Introduction to Embryology Laboratory
Techniques	Techniques
Embryology Laboratory: Standard Operating	Embryology Laboratory: Standard Operating
Protocols (SOPS); Various SOPS and work	Protocols (SOPS); Various SOPS and work
instructions in the embryology lab, Functions of	instructions in the embryology lab, Functions of
IVF Centre and the laboratory, Personnel involved	IVF Centre and the laboratory, Personnel involved
and workflow, Maintenance of lab and	and workflow, Maintenance of lab and
monitoring equipment, Personnel proficiency,	monitoring equipment, Personnel proficiency,
inventory management, Quality control and	inventory management, Quality control and
Quality assurance.	Quality assurance.
Familiarization and calibration of digital	Familiarization and calibration of digital
thermometer, Temperature monitoring of	thermometer, Temperature monitoring of
incubators, Laminar Flow, heating block and	incubators, Laminar Flow, heating block and
refrigerator, Familiarization of CO2 analyzer and	refrigerator, Familiarization of CO2 analyzer and
CO2 measurement, Preparation of 70% alcohol,	CO2 measurement, Preparation of 70% alcohol,
cleaning of CO2 incubator, Laminar Flow, Bench	cleaning of CO2 incubator, Laminar Flow, Bench
top incubators, Monitoring of CO2 and Triple gas	top incubators, Monitoring of CO2 and Triple gas
cylinder pressures, Monitoring the level of liquid	cylinder pressures, Monitoring the level of liquid
nitrogen in the liquid nitrogen Dewar of sperm	nitrogen in the liquid nitrogen Dewar of sperm
and embryo storage tank	and embryo storage tank
Good laboratory practice, Tissue culture	Good laboratory practice, Tissue culture
laboratory, Designing and layout of embryology	laboratory, Designing and layout of embryology
laboratory, Requirements of embryology	laboratory, Requirements of embryology
laboratory, clean air system, Embryology lab	laboratory, clean air system, Embryology lab

equipment, disposables, culture media used in the laboratory

Sterilization methods; autoclave, dry heat sterilization, gas sterilization and gamma radiation, Handling of hazardous and biological samples, Cleaning and maintenance embryology laboratory, Common lab contaminants-bacteria, fungi and viruses; identification of bacilli and cocci, Gram stain Tissue culture techniques, culture media and formulation, familiarization of embryology lab equipment, embryology lab attire, sterile practice in the embryology laboratory

Microscopy: Phase contrast microscope, stereo zoom microscope and inverted microscope
Sheep Ovary dissection: identification of follicles on the ovary, isolation of oocyte cumulus complex and separation of oocytes, identification of granulosa cells, cumulus cells, corona cells and zona pellucida.

Mitosis, Meiosis, Identification of cells in stained blood smear, blood grouping equipment, disposables, culture media used in the laboratory

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# Andrology Laboratory Techniques Practical Paper 2 (8 Credits 12 hours / week)

## Andrology Laboratory Techniques 8 credits (12hours/week)

Existing	No changes		
Andrology Laboratory Techniques	Andrology Laboratory Techniques		
Male anatomy model; Sheep testes dissection	Male anatomy model; Sheep testes dissection		
and processing, identification of stages of sperm	and processing, identification of stages of sperm		
development, identification of sperm and its	development, identification of sperm and its		
morphology	morphology		

Semen analysis; normospermic and oligospermic semen samples, calculation of spermatozoa concentration, motility grading, morphology assessment in stained and neat semen samples, assessment of viability, examination for sperm agglutination, differentiation of immature spermatogenic cells and pus cells (peroxidase test), Fructose test to rule out obstructive azoospermia, Tests for antisperm antibodies (Mar test), Sperm DNA fragmentation test, HOST test, Sperm survival test, Hyaluronan binding assay Sperm separation methods; classical swim up method, standard swim up method, gradient method, SEPD method Semen Cryopreservation

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### Semester 2

#### Paper 1: Principles of Genetics and Reproductive endocrinology

2 Credits

#### Lecture (2 Credits, 2 hours / week)

Existing	No changes
Mendelian Inheritance – Autosomal Recessive,	Mendelian Inheritance – Autosomal Recessive,
Autosomal Dominant	Autosomal Dominant
Atypical Mendelian Inheritance: Mitochondrial	Atypical Mendelian Inheritance: Mitochondrial
Inheritance; X-linked Recessive	Inheritance; X-linked Recessive
Molecular Basis of Inheritance - DNA;	Molecular Basis of Inheritance - DNA;
Cell Cycle - Mitosis; Meiosis; Nondisjunction	Cell Cycle - Mitosis; Meiosis; Nondisjunction
Chromosomes; Autosomes and Sex	Chromosomes; Autosomes and Sex
Chromosomes	Chromosomes

Karyotyping

Indications for Performing a Chromosome
Analysis

Reasons for Analyzing Chromosomal Disorders
Inherited and Non-Inherited Chromosome
Abnormalities – Trisomy, Monosomy, Numerical
Chromosome Abnormalities; Translocation,
Deletion, Structural Chromosome Abnormalities,
Sex Chromosome Abnormalities

Mutation; Point Mutation; Gene Deletion;
Mutation Polymorphism

Mutations - Dynamic Mutation; Somatic

Primer, Probe

Genomic Imprinting

**Genetic Counselling** 

General principles of endocrinology- Hormones and their release; Techniques for studying hormones-Immunoassays, The hypothalamic pituitary system, Thyroid hormones, Physiology of reproductive hormones, Hirsutism, Primary and secondary amenorrhea Hormonal regulation of spermatogenesis, testicular function and sex differentiation Hormonal regulation of ovarian cycles & luteal phase defect, implantation and pregnancy

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#### Paper 2 : Assisted Reproduction

#### Lecture (2 Credits 2 hours / week)

Existing	No changes
History of assisted reproduction,	History of assisted reproduction,
Gonadotrophins, Ovarian reserve test: antral	Gonadotrophins, Ovarian reserve test: antral
follicle count, CCCT, AMH test	follicle count, CCCT, AMH test
Ovulation induction, In Vitro Fertilization,	Ovulation induction, In Vitro Fertilization,
Premature ovulation, Laparoscopy and	Premature ovulation, Laparoscopy and
Transvaginal ultrasound, Oocyte retrieval,	Transvaginal ultrasound, Oocyte retrieval,
variations of IVF: GIFT, ZIFT, Oocyte and embryo	variations of IVF: GIFT, ZIFT, Oocyte and embryo
donation & third party reproduction, Surrogacy	donation & third party reproduction, Surrogacy
& Gestational carrier	& Gestational carrier
Agonist and Antagonist protocols, Stimulation	Agonist and Antagonist protocols, Stimulation
protocols, individualized protocols,	protocols, individualized protocols,
Complications of assisted reproduction; OHSS	Complications of assisted reproduction; OHSS
(Ovarian hyperstimulation syndrome), multiple	(Ovarian hyperstimulation syndrome), multiple
pregnancy & complications, Fertility drugs and	pregnancy & complications, Fertility drugs and
ovarian cancer, oocyte retrieval procedure,	ovarian cancer, oocyte retrieval procedure,
miscarriage, ectopic pregnancy, risks associated	miscarriage, ectopic pregnancy, risks associated
with ICSI	with ICSI
Counselling in ART: Clinical, Embryological,	Counselling in ART: Clinical, Embryological,
Financial and Psychological counselling	Financial and Psychological counselling
Sperm retrieval procedures: PESA/MESA,	Sperm retrieval procedures: PESA/MESA,
TESA/TESE	TESA/TESE
Success in Assisted Reproduction, Data analysis,	Success in Assisted Reproduction, Data analysis,
Reproductive tourism	Reproductive tourism

#### Semester 2

#### Practical 1 (8 Credits 16 hours / week)

#### Existing

Conventional IVF; short & long coincubation, preparing for oocyte retrieval: Studying patient file, calculating the number of tubes and dishes for IVF and ICSI procedure, Labelling of dishes and tubes, adding culture media into the tubes and dishes, equilibration of culture dishes and tubes

Day 1: Checking for equilibration of culture media, preparation of lab for oocyte retrieval, arranging necessary disposables in the laminar flow workstation, screening of follicular fluid, identification of oocyte cumulus complex, identification of granulosa cells, separation of cumulus oocyte complex and further culture of oocytes, assessment of fertilization, assessment of cleavage embryos, stage and grading of cleavage stage embryos, blastocyst culture and grading

Embryo loading procedures and transfer techniques

Embryology laboratory maintenance; data analysis and monitoring laboratory performance Trouble shooting in the laboratory

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#### Practical II (8 Credits 16 hours / week)

#### Existing

Preparation of cryopreservation solutions, selection of embryos for cryopreservation, setting up of dishes for vitrification & warming, selection of devices for vitrification, process of vitrification and warming, Trouble shooting in vitrification and warming, documentation of patient details and maintenance of patient records on embryos after warming, safety practice in vitrification, selection of blastocysts for vitrification, collapsing blastocoel for vitrification, method of blastocyst vitrification

Vitrification of oocytes: preparation of dishes for vitrification, selection of devices for vitrification of oocytes, preparation of vitrification solutions for vitrification, process of oocyte vitrification Semen cryopreservation, cryoprotectants used, epididymal and testicular sperm cryopreservation

Ovarian tissue cryopreservation: Harvesting ovary, preparation and processing of ovarian cortex, Vitrification of ovarian cortex, storage of vitrified ovarian cortex, warming of ovarian cortex.

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#### Lecture (2 Credits 2 hours / week)

Existing	No changes
Overview of research process and Research	Overview of research process and Research
hypothesis	hypothesis
Observational study designs, analysis of data and	Observational study designs, analysis of data and
interpretation	interpretation
Process of conducting clinical trials	Process of conducting clinical trials
Ethics and scientific conduct in human and	Ethics and scientific conduct in human and
animal research	animal research
Literature search, systematic review and meta-	Literature search, systematic review and meta-
analysis	analysis
Publication process-Manuscript writing,	Publication process-Manuscript writing,
selection of journal and uploading manuscript	selection of journal and uploading manuscript
impact factor	impact factor
Statistics-variables in statistics, measures of	Statistics-variables in statistics, measures of
central tendency and dispersions, data	central tendency and dispersions, data
distributions, parametric and non-parametric	distributions, parametric and non-parametric
tests, correlation and regression analysis,	tests, correlation and regression analysis,
estimation of sample size, Chi-square test, t Test,	estimation of sample size, Chi-square test, t Test,
P value	P value
Designation and the (DCD) area in a	Desired atation and ties (DCD)
Preimplantation genetics (PGD), overview,	Preimplantation genetics (PGD), overview,
Indications; Sex linked disorders, Single gene	Indications; Sex linked disorders, Single gene
defects, chromosomal disorders	defects, chromosomal disorders
Technical of Biopsy procedures; Polar body	Technical of Biopsy procedures; Polar body
biopsy; Cleavage-stage biopsy, Blastocyst biopsy, Cumulus cell analysis	biopsy; Cleavage-stage biopsy, Blastocyst biopsy, Cumulus cell analysis
Genetic analysis techniques and diagnosis;	Genetic analysis techniques and diagnosis;
FISH,, PCR-comparative genomic hybridization,	FISH,, PCR-comparative genomic hybridization,
Next generation sequencing, Preimplantation	Next generation sequencing, Preimplantation
genetic haplotyping	genetic haplotyping
Implications of PGD, PGD and religion, Legal	Implications of PGD, PGD and religion, Legal
aspects in India and rest of the world	aspects in India and rest of the world
PGS (pre-implantation genetic screening) and	PGS (pre-implantation genetic screening) and
aneuploidy screening	aneuploidy screening

#### Lecture (2 Credits 2 hours / week)

Existing	No changes
History of cryopreservation, Principles of	History of cryopreservation, Principles of
cryobiology; cryoprotectants, cryofreezers,	cryobiology; cryoprotectants, cryofreezers,
Factors affecting freezing, cryopreservation	Factors affecting freezing, cryopreservation
protocols,	protocols,
Embryo cryopreservation; slow freezing and	Embryo cryopreservation; slow freezing and
thawing method, penetrating and non-	thawing method, penetrating and non-
penetrating cryoprotectants, Slow freezing	penetrating cryoprotectants, Slow freezing
method for embryos,	method for embryos,
vitrification and warming of embryos,	vitrification and warming of embryos,
Cryoprotectants used in vitrification, Vitrification	Cryoprotectants used in vitrification, Vitrification
devices, Freeze all strategy, Importance of	devices, Freeze all strategy, Importance of
embryo cryopreservation	embryo cryopreservation
Oocyte cryopreservation: history, indications,	Oocyte cryopreservation: history, indications,
method of cryopreservation of mature and	method of cryopreservation of mature and
immature oocytes, current status of oocyte	immature oocytes, current status of oocyte
vitrification	vitrification
Fertility preservation; Ovarian tissue	Fertility preservation; Ovarian tissue
cryopreservation; history, current status,	cryopreservation; history, current status,
prospects, In vitro culture of ovarian tissue,	prospects, In vitro culture of ovarian tissue,
Ovarian tissue transplantation and outcome	Ovarian tissue transplantation and outcome
Cryopreservation of semen and testicular tissue	Cryopreservation of semen and testicular tissue
Storage of cryopreserved samples and its safety	Storage of cryopreserved samples and its safety

#### Practical Paper 1: Intracytoplasmic sperm Injection (ICSI)

8 credits

#### Practical (8 Credits 16 hours / week)

existing	No changes
History of micromanipulation, Operation and	History of micromanipulation, Operation and
maintenance of micromanipulation,	maintenance of micromanipulation,
Familiarization of different micromanipulators,	Familiarization of different micromanipulators,
Advantages and disadvantages of different	Advantages and disadvantages of different
micromanipulators, microtools: preparation and	micromanipulators, microtools: preparation and
choice of microtools,	choice of microtools,

Alignment of microtools and troubleshooting, preparation of dishes for micromanipulation, method of stopping sperm motility, method of aspiration of spermatozoa, method of holding oocyte, focusing oocyte and injection pipette, Method of intracytoplasmic sperm injection

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#### Practical Paper II: Micromanipulation and Embryo biopsy

#### 8 credits

#### Practical (8 Credits 16 hours / week)

Existing	No changes
Assisted hatching; zona drilling, zona thinning,	Assisted hatching; zona drilling, zona thinning,
chemical and laser assisted hatching	chemical and laser assisted hatching
Biopsy procedures: Instrumentation, preparation of laboratory for biopsy procedure, method of biopsy, Acid Tyrode zona drilling, laser zona drilling, Biopsy of polar body, biopsy of blastomeres, trophectoderm	Biopsy procedures: Instrumentation, preparation of laboratory for biopsy procedure, method of biopsy, Acid Tyrode zona drilling, laser zona drilling, Biopsy of polar body, biopsy of blastomeres, trophectoderm

#### 4 Semester

#### Theory Paper 1: New Developments in ART and embryonic stem cells 2 credits

Existing	Proposed changes
Stem cells and regenerative medicine; adult	Stem cells and regenerative medicine; adult
hemopoietic stem cells, testicular stem cells,	hemopoietic stem cells, testicular stem cells,
embryonic stem cells, induced pluripotent	embryonic stem cells, induced pluripotent stem
Isolation of ICM (inner cell mass) and derivation	cells
of embryonic stem cells, preparation of mouse	Isolation of ICM (inner cell mass) and derivation
and human monolayer cells, Placental fibroblast	of embryonic stem cells, preparation of mouse
cells, embryonic stem cell culture systems,	and human monolayer cells, Placental fibroblast
	cells, embryonic stem cell culture systems,

identification of stem cell colonies, markers of stem cells, stem cell banking.

Differentiation of stem cells, potential of stem cells in regenerative medicine, disease conditions stem cells investigated, disadvantages, current problems and future prospects

Mitochondrial DNA mutations and diseases; Introduction

Prevention of mitochondrial diseases and oocyte reconstruction; Pronuclear transfer technique, Spindle transfer technique, Ethics of oocyte reconstruction, current research Proteomics and metabolomics

New embryo culture techniques

Embryo editing

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New embryo culture techniques-Time Lapse embryo culture systems

Embryo editing, Artificial intelligence in ART New stimulation protocols-dual stimulation, luteal phase stimulation, sperm vitrification, gametes from stem cells, non-invasive pre-implantation genetic testing, endometrial receptivity assay, endometrial rejuvenation, Current and future developments

#### Theory Paper 2: Regulation and Ethics in assisted reproduction.

#### 2 credits

Existing	Proposed-No changes
Moral philosophy	Moral philosophy
Regulation in assisted reproduction- ICMR	Regulation in assisted reproduction- ICMR
(Indian Council of Medical Research) guidelines	(Indian Council of Medical Research) guidelines
and proposed ART bill, PCPNDT act, Surrogacy	and proposed ART bill, PCPNDT act, Surrogacy
laws, Regulations of ART in other countries	laws, Regulations of ART in other countries
Regulation and ethics in clinical IVF practice;	Regulation and ethics in clinical IVF practice;
gamete and embryo donation, Research on	gamete and embryo donation, Research on
embryos, sex selection, surrogacy, cloning;	embryos, sex selection, surrogacy, cloning;
reproductive and therapeutic	reproductive and therapeutic
Regulation of gamete banks and gamete donors,	Regulation of gamete banks and gamete donors,

Accreditation of ART centres and personnel,		
Counselling in ART, Ethics and regulations of		
embryo editing, Ethics of 3 parent baby, Ethics		
and regulations of PGD & PGT-A		

Accreditation of ART centres and personnel, Counselling in ART, Ethics and regulations of embryo editing, Ethics of 3 parent baby, Ethics and regulations of PGD & PGT-A

Research Seminar 4 credits

Existing	Proposed-No changes
Collection of information, Search engines	Collection of information, Search engines
(PubMed, gene data bank), Preparation of PPT.	(PubMed, gene data bank), Preparation of PPT.
The student shall present a recently published	The student shall present a recently published
research paper related to infertility and	research paper related to infertility and
embryology through power point presentation	embryology through power point presentation

Project work 10 Credits

Proposed-No changes
Project work is designed to provide research
experience to the students. The student has to
work independently on a research problem
related to infertility. The student shall carry out
this project in consultation with faculty.