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Answer Question No.1 (Part-1) which is compulsory, any seven from Part-II and any two from Part-III.

The figures in the right hand margin indicate marks.

Part-I

Q1 Answer the following questions : (2 x 10)

- Discuss about the nutritional requirements for bacteria.
- Why for pour plate method is carried out in pharmaceutical microbiology?
- Mention the various components of nutrient broth.
- Draw a neat flow diagram of aseptic area.
- Differentiate between antiseptics and disinfectants.
- Name any four Gram positive and Gram negative bacteria.
- Write down the various steps involved in 'assessment of a new antibiotic'.
- Define HEPA and mention its efficiency.
- Give few examples of preservatives used in pharmacy.
- Name four different methods for quantitative measurement of bacterial growth.

Part-II

Q2 Focused-Short Answer Type Questions- (Answer Any Seven) (5 x 7)

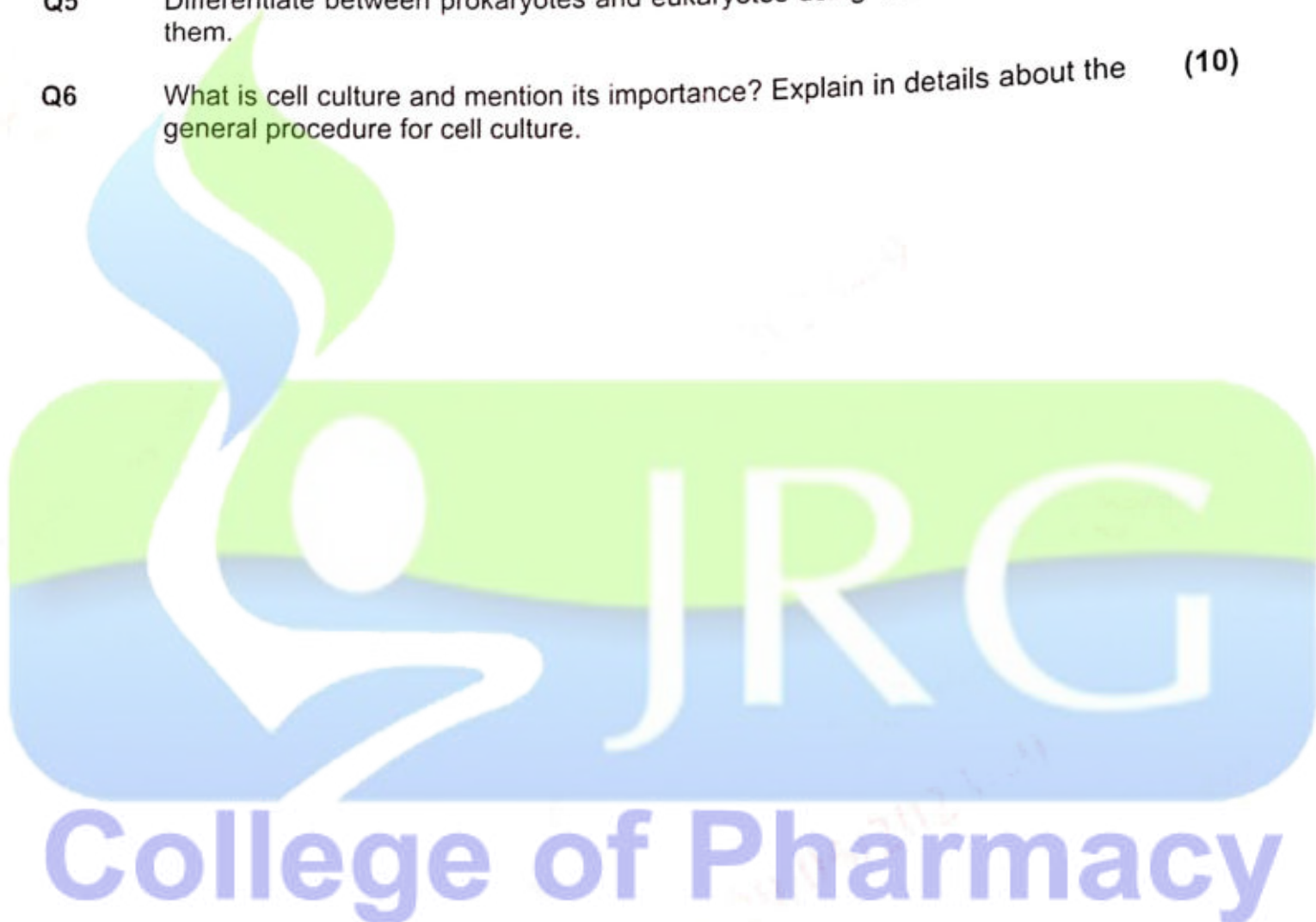
Discuss briefly on the followings :

- Bacterial growth curve.
- Sterility indicators used in pharmacy.
- Gram's staining.
- Identification of bacteria using IMVIC tests.
- Classify clean area according to ISO guideline.
- Differentiate between light and Electron microscopy.
- Classification and mode of action of various types disinfectants.
- Factors influencing disinfection.
- Replication of virus.

Part-III

Long Answer Type Questions (Answer Any Two)

- Q3 Define sterilization. Discuss in details about the principle, procedure, merits, demerits and applications of physical method of sterilization. (10)
- Q4 Discuss briefly about the principles and various methods of microbiological assay for antibiotics. (10)
- Q5 Differentiate between prokaryotes and eukaryotes using various features of them. (10)
- Q6 What is cell culture and mention its importance? Explain in details about the general procedure for cell culture. (10)



Q1

Part-I

- a) The various nutritional requirements for Bacteria are-
- * Water
 - * Carbon
 - * Nitrogen and Sulphur
 - * Oxygen
 - * Organic Growth factors
- b) The pour & pour plate Method is also known as the cylinder plate Method or Agar Diffusion Bioassay is a classical microbiology assay used in pharmaceutical microbiology to determine the potency (antimicrobial activity) of antibiotics and to ensure the quality control of antibiotic preparations.
- c) The nutrient broth is a simple, general-purpose liquid medium used in pharmaceutical microbiology and other microbiological labs to support the growth of a wide range of non-fastidious microorganisms.
- Components of Nutrient Broth are-
- * peptone
 - * Beef extract
 - * Sodium chloride
 - * Distilled water
 - * pH

h) HEPA stands for high-efficiency particulate air filter. It is an advanced air filter that can remove extremely small particles from the air. They are able to ~~and~~ capture at least 99.97% of airborne particles as small as 0.3 microns.

i) Common preservatives in pharmaceuticals include Parabens, Sorbic acid, Sodium benzoate, benzyl alcohol, benzalkonium chloride and Phenoxyethanol.

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Antiseptics

- e)
- (i) Antiseptics are used on living tissues to kill or prevent the growth of microorganisms.
 - (ii) It does not cause any harm to the living tissues.
 - (iii) Antiseptics usually kill all microorganisms.

ex - 0.2 % Solution of Phenol.

Disinfectants

- (i) Disinfectants are used on non-living objects to kill the micro-organisms.
- (ii) They are harmful to the living tissues and cannot be applied to the skin.
- (iii) Disinfectants do not necessarily kill all microorganisms.

ex - 1% Solution of Phenol.

f) Gram +^{ve} bacteria —

- (i) Staphylococcus aureus.
- (ii) Streptococcus pneumoniae
- (iii) Staphylococcus epidermidis
- (iv) Streptococcus mutans.

Gram —^{ve} bacteria —

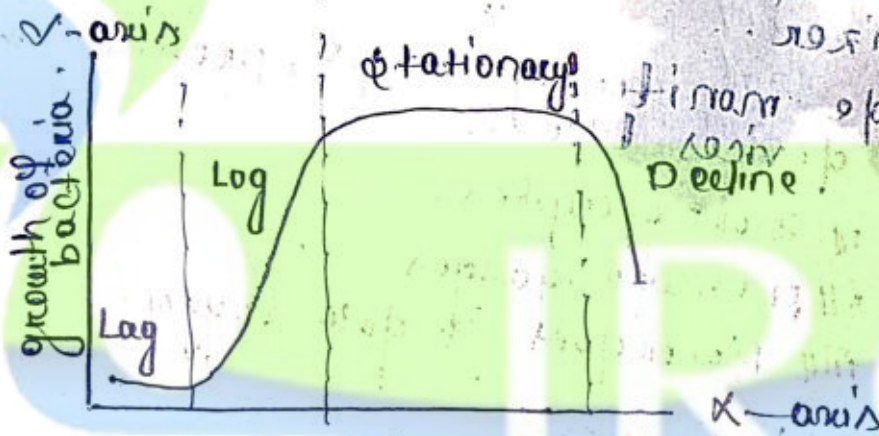
- (i) ~~Salmonella~~ Salmonella typhi
- (ii) Proteus vulgaris
- (iii) Escherichia coli
- (iv) Proteus mirabilis

Bacterial growth curve.

Any bacterial growth curve when a graph plot both the growth of bacteria & time phase is called curve.

The resulting curve has four distinct phases -

- (1) Lag phase.
- (2) Log phase
- (3) Stationary phase.
- (4) Decline phase



1// Lag phase - In this phase, there are no growth of bacteria. Because culture media is just prepared, so upto a short time there are no growth of bacteria, only nutrition medium present.

2// Log phase - In this phase, there are maximum growth of bacteria, because after the germination of bacteria, they reproduce in fast rate & bacteria increase.

3// Stationary phase - In this phase, growth of bacteria stop, & it may be stationary.

4// Decline phase - Also known as death phase, in this phase, bacteria start dying & no. of bacteria is more than nutritive medium.

b) sterility indicator used in pharmacy

Ans - sterility indicators -

It is essential that strict controls are products to be labelled sterile. Such control much then ensure.

→ Monitoring of the sterilization process can be achieved by the use of physical, chemical or biological indicators of the sterilization performed.

(1) physical indicators -

→ measurement of physical parameters of the sterilizer.

→ include monitoring temp, pressure & time using devices like -

i) thermocouples

ii) pressure gauges

iii) Recorder & data logger.

(2) biological indicators -

→ contain highly resistant bacterial spores.

→ After sterilization, the spores are incubated in a growth medium to check if any survive.

Ex - i) *Geobacillus stearothermophilus* spores.

(2) *Bacillus atrophaeus* spores.

(3) chemical indicators -

Chemical monitoring of a sterilization process is based on the ability of heating steam, sterilant gas & ionizing radiation. After the chemical or physical characteristics of a variety of chemical substances.

Ex - i) Brown's tubes

(ii) witness label

c1 gram staining

Ans - Gram staining

In this staining we identified that, bacteria is gram -ve & gram +ve.

→ This staining performed by 2 of more dye.

procedure

- firstly take glass slide, cover slip, inoculation loop, culture media microscope.
- Now, wash all these with ethanol solⁿ, then allow for drying, after drying put all these under flaming for complete sterilization.
- Now, take inoculation loop, ~~streak~~ ^{first} into culture media in which bacteria attached on loop then streak inoculation loop on glass slide.
- Now add some drops of crystal violet dye as an indicator and allow to dry.
- Now add gram iodine solⁿ, which fix the crystal violet dye with cell wall.
- Now, wash the slide with ethanol & Acetone solⁿ.
- Now add few drops of safranin dye on surface of slide & allow to dry.
- Then observe it on microscope.
- observatn
- If purple color obtained then bacteria is gram +ve.
- If Red color is obtained then bacteria is gram -ve.

Q11 Identification of bacteria using imvic test.

Ans Imvic test

- This is the biochemical series of test which is performed for enterobacter.
- e.g. enterobacter coli.

I - Indole test

M - Methyl Red test

V - Voges utilisation test

C - Citrate utilisation test

1) Indole production test

Many bacterial species, which possess enzyme tryptophanase.

- The test is primarily used in microbiology for the identification of bacteria, particularly to distinguish betw members of the family Enterobacteriaceae.

2) Methyl Red test

- The methyl Red test is a biochemical test used to determine the ability of an organism to form stable mixed acids through glucose fermentation.

3) Voges-Proskauer test

- It is a biochemical test used to detect the ability of an organism to produce Acetoin through glucose fermentation.

4) Citrate utilisation test

- It is a biochemical test used to determine if an organism can utilize citrate as only source of carbon & ammonium ions as its only nitrogen source.

e. classify clean area according to ISO guideline.

- A cleanroom is defined as a room in which the concentration of airborne particles is controlled.

It may be controlled by HEPA filter and airlocked entry system

- It is established by measurement of the number of particles (airborne) with size 0.5μ or greater, that are contained in 1 ft^3 (1 cubic foot) of sampled area.

- According to US Federal Standard Association classification of clean room

- CLASS 100 (Standard applicable to aseptic areas)

- CLASS 1000

- CLASS 10000

- CLASS 1,00,000

- this classification is used in pharmaceutical industry

- CLASS 100 means that not more than 100 particles per cubic foot of size 0.5μ or greater, shall be found in measured area

- some other classes measured, according to Point 2.

f) Differentiate between light and Electron microscopy.

Light microscope

1. Light is the illuminating source.
2. Specimen preparation takes usually few minutes to hours. Live or dead specimen may be seen.
3. Condenser, objective and eye piece lenses are made up of glasses.
4. Specimen is stained by coloured dyes.
5. It has low resolving power ($0.25 \mu\text{m}$ to $0.3 \mu\text{m}$). It has a magnification of $500\times$ to $1500\times$.
6. Vacuum is not required.
7. Image is seen by eye through ocular lens.

Electron microscope

1. The beam of electrons source.
2. Specimen preparation takes usually few days. Only dead or dried specimen are seen.
3. All lenses are electromagnetic.
4. Specimen is coated with heavy metals in order to reflect electrons.
5. It has high resolving power ($0.001 \mu\text{m}$), about 250 times higher than light microscope. It has a magnification more than $100,000\times$.
6. Vacuum is essential for its operation.
7. Image is produced on fluorescent screen or photographic plate.

g) Classification and mode of action of various types of disinfectants.

Disinfectants:- Disinfectants are antimicrobial agents that are applied to non-living

object to destroy microorganism, and the process is known as disinfection.

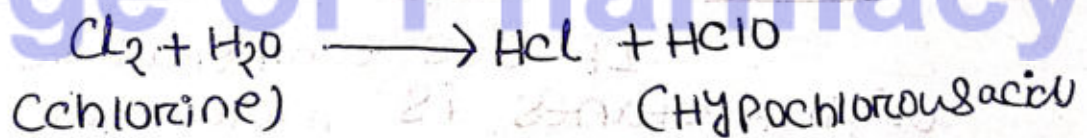
- Chemical agents are most commonly used as disinfectants. These chemical agents are classified as follow:-

i) Acids and alkalis :- The germicidal efficiency of acids is proportional to the hydrogen (H^+) ion concentrations of their solutions. they produce toxic effects which decrease or kill bacteria (micro organism)

eg. Hydrochloric acid, Sulphuric acid, etc.

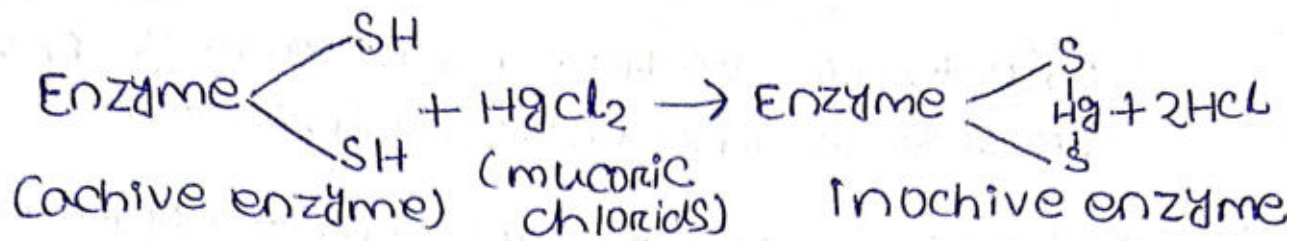
ii) Halogens :- The germicidal action of halogens and its compounds is due to formation of hypochlorous acid (or other acids) when free halogens reacts with water.

eg:- Chlorine, Iodine, Bromine, Fluorine act as germicidal.



iii) Heavy metals :- The most widely used compounds of heavy metal are those of mercury, silver and copper.

- Heavy metals and their compounds act antimicrobially by combining with cellular proteins.



iv) phenol and its derivatives

v) Alcohols

vi) Aldehydes

vii) Dyes

viii) Detergents and Soaps

ix) Quaternary ammonium compounds

h) factors influencing disinfection.

there are some following factors, which affect the action of disinfectants:-

- i) Effect of temperature
- ii) Effect of PH
- iii) Effect of Dilution
- iv) Effect of Surface activity
- v) Effect of ~~surface~~ interfering agent

i) Effect of temperature:-

If the temperature of the disinfectants is increased, the effectiveness of the disinfectant also increases.

ii) Effect of PH:-

The optimal bacterial growth take place in the range of 6-8, on either side of this the rate of growth declines. if we provide some PH, which bacteria need to grow, then

bacteria grow and disinfectants become less effective.

So, always provide different pH disinfectants to decline the growth of bacteria (microorganism)

iii) Effect of dilution / concentration:-

At higher concentration the drugs acts as bactericidal, while on dilution the drug act as bacteriostatic.

So, concentration of disinfectant $\uparrow$ = effectiveness $\uparrow$ - But also used in limit.

iv) Effect of surface activity:-

The addition of low concentration of surface active compounds may potentiate the biological effect of an antibacterial agent, eg. phenols are more active in the presence of soaps.

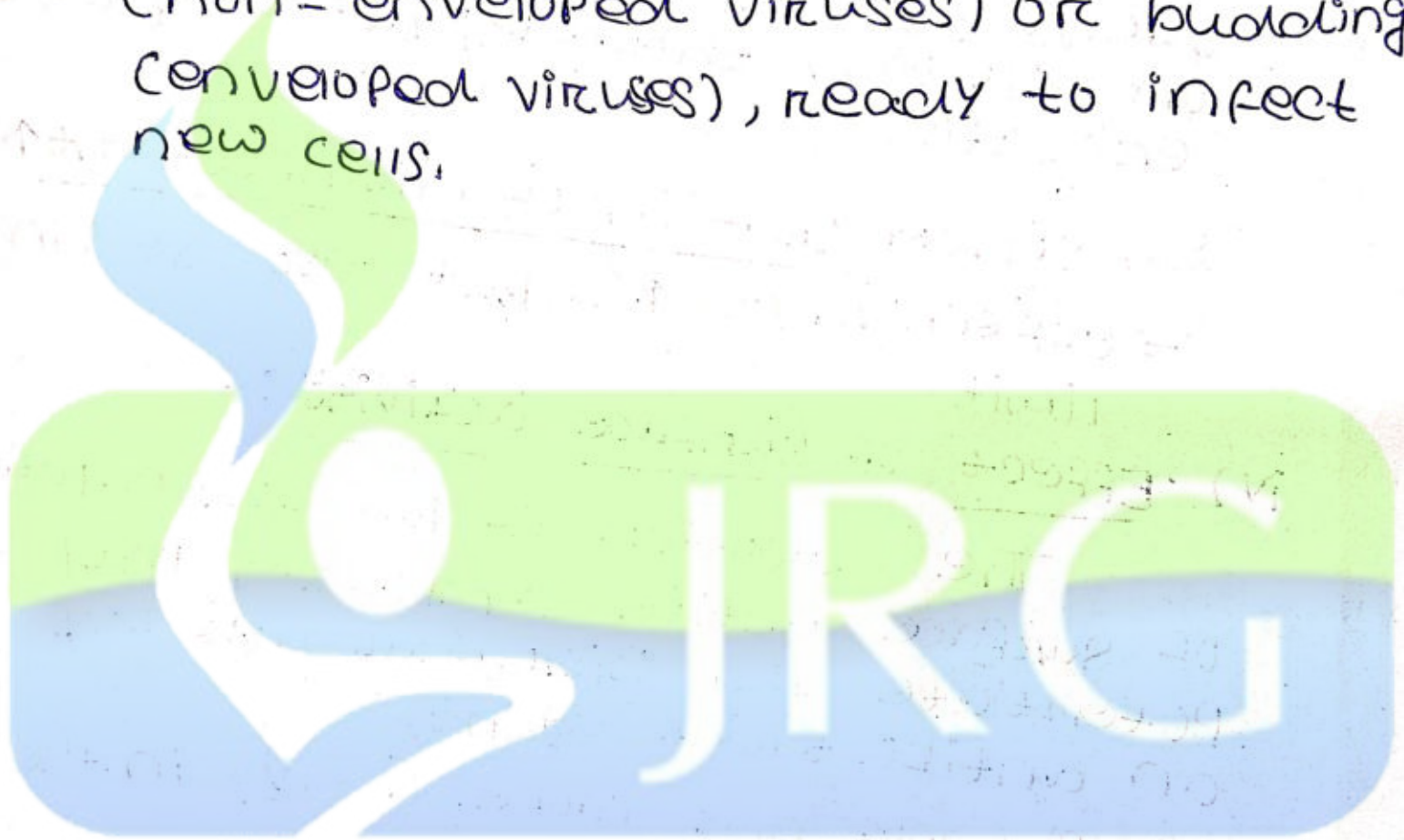
i) Replication of virus.

Viruses replicate inside host cells through the following steps:

1. Attachment - The virus binds to specific receptors on the host cell surface.
2. Entry - The virus or its genetic material enters the host cell by fusion or endocytosis.
3. Uncoating - The viral capsid is removed, releasing the viral genome into the host cell.

4. Replication and Protein Synthesis - The viral genome is replicated and viral proteins are synthesized using host or viral enzymes.

5. Assembly and Release - New viral particles are assembled and released from the host cell by lysis (non-enveloped viruses) or budding (enveloped viruses), ready to infect new cells.



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Q3 Define "sterilization". Discuss in details about the principle, procedure, merits, demerits and applications of physical method of sterilization.

Sterilization

- It is a process in which remove or kill of all types of microorganism from the surface of all non-living or living things.
- It is an essential stage in the processing of any product use for parental administration internal organ.

Method of Sterilization

- ① Physical method
- ② Chemical gaseous method
- ③ Radiation method
- ④ Mechanical method

Physical method

In this method, heat apply on the surface then proteins of bacteria are denatured and oxidised at high temp. and it kill.

- It is 2 types (a) Dry heat sterilization.
- (b) Moist heat sterilization.

(a) Dry heat sterilization

Heat is the most reliable and rapid method of sterilization. The killing effect of dry heat is due to protein denaturation oxidative damage and the toxic effect of

elevated levels of electrolytes.

HOT AIR OVEN:-

This is the most widely used method of sterilization by dry heat.

Principle:- In hot air oven, maintain the high temp. so the protein of bacteria and denatured and oxidised and the bacteria kills.

Procedure

- Non-heat labile substances put inside it.
- Normally the spores of bacteria as well as vegetative form of all microorganism are killed in two hours at a temp. of 160°C .
- The oven must be allowed to cool slowly for about two hour before the door is opened, since the glass ware may get cracked by sudden cooling.
- Relation between temperature & time for hot air oven

Temperature ($^{\circ}\text{C}$)	Time (minutes)
170°C	60 min
160°C	120 min
150°C	150 min
140°C	180 min

Merit

- simple and easy in use.

Demerit:-

- Not suitable for surgical dressing, rubbers plastic volatile and heat labile substance.

Application

- Used to sterilize, Glass wall. forceps, scalpels, Scissors, spatula etc.
- Also For some pharmaceutical substances such as glycerin, fixed oil, liquid paraffin, propylene glycol etc.

(b) Moist heat sterilization:-

In this process, microorganism are killed by hot water or steam.

AUTOClave

Principle - In which, saturated steam is procedure under pressure.

So, pressure increase in a closed vessels increase temperature proportionality.

And then high pressure is used to kill the microorganism.

Procedure - The water is filled in autoclave and material is to be sterilization is load inside the autoclave.

- Now maintain the temperature and pressure for sterilization, according to their need:-

Temp. (°C)	Steam pressure (lb/sq. inch)	Holding time (min.)
115 - 118	10	30
121 - 124	15	15
126 - 129	20	10
135 - 138	30	3

- After put the material, lid is closed discharge tap is opened and safety valve is adjusted to the required pressure.

- When air bubbles stop emitting from the discharge tap is opened and safety, it indicates all the air removed from inside the autoclave.
- Then, close the discharge tap, now, steam pressure rises inside and when it reaches the desired set level, safety valve opens and excess steam escapes.
- After the holding time, the heating is stopped and allowed to cool the autoclave.
- Now, air is allowed to remove from the autoclave by open discharge tap.
- Now, finally lid is opened and the sterilized articles are removed.

Merits

- It is very effective.
- It provides greater lethal action of moist heat.

Demerit

- Not suitable for anhydrous material such as powders, oils, fats etc.

Applications:-

- It is used for sterilization bacteriology.
- Cal media, heat-stable liquid, saline solution, heat-resistant equipments and instruments, glasswares, filters, rubber products etc.

a) Differentiate between prokaryotes and eukaryotes using various features of them.

<u>characteristics</u>	<u>Prokaryotic</u>	<u>Eukaryotic</u>
1. Golgi Apparatus	Absent	Present
2. Metabolism	Anaerobic/aerobic	Aerobic
3. Metabolism Locomotion	Rotating flagella & gliding movement.	undulating; cilia are absent; amoeboid movement
4. Cell size	Generally 1 to 10 μm in linear dimension	Generally 5 to 100 μm in linear dimension
5. Cellular structure	Unicellular	multicellular
6. Cell wall	Complex structure with peptidoglycan. Present, generally no sterols.	Absent or made up of chitin. Present with sterol.
7. Plasma memb.		
8. membrane bound Nucleus	Absent	Present
9. DNA	cellular DNA in cytoplasm.	long, linear DNA bounded in nuclear envelope
10. Plasmid DNA	present	Absent.
11. Histones	Absent	present.
12. RNA & protein	RNA & protein synthesized in same compartment.	RNA synthesized in nucleus, protein synthesized in cytoplasm
13. membrane bound organelles	Absent	Present
14. Ribosomes	70S type	80S type
15. Lysosomes	Absent	Present
16. Flagella	Consist of 2 protein	consist of 9 microtubules multiple proteins

Q. No.	Topic	Present	Absent
18.	Site for cellular respiration	Cell membrane	Mitochondria
19.	Cell division	Binary Fission	Mitosis
20.	Sexual Reproduction	Conjugation	Meiosis
21.	Examples	Bacteria, Archaea	Fungi, Algae, Plants, Protozoa, Animals

Q. 4) Discuss briefly about the principles and various methods of microbiological assay for antibiotics?

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(6) what is cell culture & mention its imp?
explain in details about the general
procedure for cell culture?

Ans → cell culture is the process of growing
& maintaining cells outside their natural
environment. Under controlled laboratory
condⁿ. it involves providing cells with suitable
nutrients. Tempⁿ. pH, gases (CO_2 & O_2) & a
sterile environment.

Application of cell cultures in pharmaceutical
-industrial & research

There are various applications of
cell cultures:-

(1) model system :- It is used as a model
system in research that helps us to study
in basic cells biology, effects of substances
on cells, etc.

(2) production of vaccines :- cells are used to
produce vaccines
e.g. for hepatitis, rabies, chicken pox
vaccines.

procedure for cell culture :-

A piece of tissue from the organism is
usually quite complex & it contains it contains
connective tissue cells, variety of blood cells
& reticuloendothelial cells.

• the 1st cells suspension is isolated & then
inoculated into a new culture vessels along

with fresh medium (primary cell culture).

• stages for cell cultures:-

(i) isolation of the tissue (ii) disaggregation
(iii) seeding the culture into culture vessels.

(i) isolation of the tissue →

The explant from an excised (cut surgically) portion of the body of an animal is used for the culture of animal cells in a suitable nutrient medium.

- Animals are mice, rabbits, guinea pig etc.
- organs from which cells are to be isolated are surface sterilised with 70% alcohol & then removed aseptically.
- The tissue isolate from explant is either stored in freeze or used immediately.

(ii) disaggregation of tissue → A primary cell culture is obtained by disaggregating the tissue mechanically, enzymatically or by use of chelating agent (EDTA).

(iii) seeding the culture into the culture vessels → The dissociated (primary) cell grow well when seeded on culture plates at high density.