GENERIC ELECTIVES 18: ROLE OF METALS IN MEDICINES

Credit distribution, Eligibility and Pre-requisites of the Course

Course title & Code	Credits	Credit distribution of the course			Eligibility criteria	Pre-requisite of the course
		Lecture	Tutorial	Practical/ Practice		
Role of Metals in Medicines (GE-16)	4	2	0	2	Class XII Pass	----

Learning Objectives

- To make the learners familiar about role of metal ions in some commercially available medicines.

Learning outcomes

By the end of this course student will be able to learn:

- Role of metal ions in various biomolecules and their functions.
- Role of metals in commercially available medicines and their functions

Syllabus Theory:

Unit 1: Bio role of Metals **04 Hours**

Brief introduction of following metals in biological system

Fe, Cu, Zn, Mn, Cr(III), V, Mo, W, Co, Ni, Na, K, Mg and Ca

Chemical structure, Commercial name, Name of the disease it is made for and its brief mechanism of action shall be taught for all the mentioned metals below.

Unit 2: Diagnostic and therapeutic agents **08 Hours**

Diagnostic and therapeutic agents with Pt (Cisplatin) and Ga for cancer, Au (auranofin) for arthritis and V for diabetes.

Unit 3: Metals in drugs **06 Hours**

Li_2CO_3 (Camcolit) for manic-depressive illness, $NaHCO_3$ (Alka-seltzer) for heartburn, $Al(OH)_3$ (Gaviscon) for heartburn, As (melarsoprol) for sleeping sickness, Bi subsalicylate (pepto-Bismol) for heartburn and diarrhea, Bi subcitrate (De-nol) peptic ulcer, Zinc oxide with Fe_2O_3 (Calamine lotion) as antimicrobial agent.

Unit 4: Metals in Multivitamins **06 Hours**

Cyanocobalamin (Co), Ferrous fumerate (Fe), Magnesium oxide (Mg), Zinc Sulfate (Zn), Manganese sesulphate (Mn), Copper Sulfate (Cu), Sodium selenite (Se) and Chromium trichloride (Cr).

Unit 5: Radiopharmaceuticals and MRI contrast agents **06 Hours**

^{99m}Tc for heart, brain and bone imaging, ^{123}I radiopharmaceuticals, $BaSO_4$for X-ray contrast agent, Gd (III) for MRI contrast agents.

Practicals: **(60 hours)**

Volumetric titrations:

1. To estimate the acidity of commercially available antacids.
2. To estimate the concentration of Fe in commercially available medicines.
3. To estimate the concentration of Ca in commercially available medicines.
4. To estimate the strength of carbonate in tablets containing Li_2CO_3
5. To estimate the sodium bicarbonate in synthetic/commercially available drug.
6. To estimate the zinc and iron present in Calamine lotion.
7. To estimate the Mg present in multivitamins.

References:

1. **Metals in Medicine**, John Wiley & Sons Ltd, Nov 2009
2. Chapter-9, **Metals in Medicine**, Stephen J. Lippard
3. Jones, Chris and Thornback, John, **Medicinal applications of coordination chemistry**, Cambridge, UK: Royal Society of Chemistry, 2007

Teaching Learning Process:

- Hands-on laboratory exercises
- Conventional teaching learning method. Engaging students in collaborative learning

Assessment Methods:

- Continuous evaluation of laboratory work and record file. Oral assessment, quizzes.
- Presentation on lab practices.
- Semester end examination.

Key words: Diagnostic, therapeutic agents, multivitamins, radiopharmaceuticals and MRI contrast agents.

Note: Examination scheme and mode shall be as prescribed by the Examination Branch, University of Delhi, from time to time.