Syllabus - MFCP of Scientific Assistant (Instruments) to Sr. Scientific Assistant (Instruments) -**Division of Polymeric Medical Devices**

- Materials classification: metals, polymers, ceramics and composites, General awareness on polymeric medical devices and testing, Applications of natural and synthetic polymers, copolymers, polymer composites and blends in medical applications
- Chemistry of Polymerization- Polymer synthesis bulk, solution, suspension and emulsion, interfacial polymerization, Structure property relationships in polymers, glass transition temperature, viscoeleasticity, tacticity, crystallinity in polymers
- Compounding and processing of polymeric biomaterials: Polymer additives and compounding, vulcanization process; processing such as compression moulding, injection moulding, extrusion, electrospinning, 3D printing
- Characterization and testing of polymers molecular weight determination, mechanical testing: tensile, compression, 3-point bending, creep, stress relaxation, impact strength etc.; thermal analysis, dynamic mechanical analysis
- Polymers in medical devices, medical device classification, implantable polymers, degradable polymers in medical devices, concept of biocompatibility, Sterilization and packaging of medical devices.

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