# SYLLABUS FOR MFCP TO THE POST OF TECHNICAL ASSISTANT (Lab) – A to B PATHOLOGY (including DIVISION OF CELLULAR AND MOLECULAR CARDIOLOGY)

#### 1. Histopathology techniques

- a. Tissue processing for routine formalin-fixed paraffin-embedded tissue
- Section cutting and microtomy, including cryomicrotomy for muscle biopsies
- c. Artefacts related to section cutting and troubleshooting
- d. Frozen section and squash smear preparation

#### 2. Staining

- a. Haematoxylin and eosin
- b. Masson's trichrome
- c. Verhoff van Gieson
- d. Luxol fast blue
- e. Lugol's iodine
- f. Reticulin stain
- g. Kulchitsky-Pal stain
- h. Alcian blue
- i. Ziehl-Neelsen stain
- i. Grocott's methenamine silver
- k. Periodic acid Schiff

## 3. Muscle enzyme histochemistry

- a. Modified Gomori's trichrome
- b. Enzyme histochemistry for NADH-TR, SDH, COX-SDH and ATPase
- 4. Immunohistochemistry on formalin-fixed, paraffin-embedded tissue

### 5. Immunology tests:

- ELISA (ANCA, APLA, dsDNA, Thyroglobulin, Thyroperoxidase, AChR, MUSK, Titin)
- Indirect immunofluorescence tests (ANA, AQP4-MOG, VGKC, NMDA, Autoimmune encephalitis panel, IgLON5)
- Immunoblots (ANA profile, Paraneoplastic antigens profile, Myositis profile)
- Test for Oligoclonal bands: CSF & Serum

- 6. Spectrophotometry and Nanodrop:
  - Beer- Lambarts law, protein assay, Graphical representation, DNA quantification and purity
- 7. pH meter and buffer preparation:
  - Molarity of solutions, Normality of solution, percentage solution, enzyme activity at optimum pH
  - Sterilisation- Steam sterilization, ETO sterilization
- 8. Microscopy- Bright field microscopy, Phase contrast microscopy, Fluorescence microscopy
- Cell culture techniques Cell culture medium components and preparation of cell culture medium, sterile culture techniques, CO2 incubator, laminar hood, Primary cell isolation, culture of primary cells, trypsinization and passaging
- 10.Centrifugation
- 11. Agarose gel electrophoresis, gel documentation
- 12. Western blotting SDS PAGE, transfer of proteins to membranes, visualization, protein markers
- 13.PCR and Real-Time PCR
  - Primer designing, cDNA synthesis, amplification procedure, fluorescent dyes/probes
- 14.Immunohistochemistry
  - Fixation of tissue, Paraffin embedding, sectioning, staining, immunostaining, Immunofluorescence, Fluorescent dyes

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