PHARMACEUTICAL PROCESS CHEMISTRY
(MPC 204T)

Scope

Process chemistry is often described as scale up reactions, taking them from small quantities created in the research lab to the larger quantities that are needed for further testing and then to even larger quantities required for commercial production. The goal of a process chemist is to develop synthetic routes that are safe, cost-effective, environmentally friendly, and efficient. The subject is designed to impart knowledge on the development and optimization of a synthetic route/s and the pilot plant procedure for the manufacture of Active Pharmaceutical Ingredients (APIs) and new chemical entities (NCEs) for the drug development phase.

Objectives

At completion of this course it is expected that students will be able to understand

- The strategies of scale up process ofapis and intermediates
- The various unit operations and various reactions in process chemistry

THEORY — 60 Hrs

1. Process chemistry — 12 Hrs

Introduction, Synthetic strategy

Stages of scale up process: Bench, pilot and large scale process.

In-process control and validation of large scale process.

Case studies of some scale up process of APIs.

Impurities in API, types and their sources including genotoxic impurities

2 Unit operations — 12 Hrs

a) Extraction: Liquid equilibria, extraction with reflux, extraction with agitation, counter current extraction.
b) Filtration: Theory of filtration, pressure and vacuum filtration, centrifugal filtration,
c) Distillation: azeotropic and steam distillation
d) Evaporation: Types of evaporators, factors affecting evaporation.
e) Crystallization: Crystallization from aqueous, non-aqueous solutions factors affecting crystallization, nucleation. Principle and general methods of Preparation of polymorphs, hydrates, solvates and amorphous APIs.

3	Unit Processes - I a) Nitration: Nitrating agents, Aromatic nitration, kinetics and mechanism of aromatic nitration, process equipment for technical nitration, mixed acid for nitration, b) Halogenation: Kinetics of halogenations, types of halogenations, catalytic halogenations. Case study on industrial halogenation process. c) Oxidation: Introduction, types of oxidative reactions, Liquid phase oxidation with oxidizing agents. Nonmetallic Oxidizing agents such as H_2O_2, sodium hypochlorite, Oxygen gas, ozonolysis.	12 Hrs
4	Unit Processes - II a) Reduction: Catalytic hydrogenation, Heterogeneous and homogeneous catalyst; Hydrogen transfer reactions, Metal hydrides. Case study on industrial reduction process. b) Fermentation: Aerobic and anaerobic fermentation. Production of i. Antibiotics; Penicillin and Streptomycin, ii. Vitamins: B2 and B12 iii. Statins: Lovastatin, Simvastatin c) Reaction progress kinetic analysis i. Streamlining reaction steps, route selection, ii. Characteristics of expedient routes, characteristics of cost-effective routes, reagent selection, families of reagents useful for scale-up.	12 Hrs
5	Industrial Safety a) MSDS (Material Safety Data Sheet), hazard labels of chemicals and Personal Protection Equipment (PPE) b) Fire hazards, types of fire & fire extinguishers c) Occupational Health & Safety Assessment Series 1800 (OHSAS-1800) and ISO-14001 (Environmental Management System), Effluents and its management	12 Hrs

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