

# KVSR Siddhartha College of Pharmaceutical Sciences

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## ADMISSION TEST Under DST-SERB Project

Candidates seeking admission into project fellow under DST – SERB in Pharmacy are required to appear for an Entrance examination which comprises of a Written test and Interview.

The written test consists of two papers. Paper 1 is based on Research Methodology and Paper 2 is based on specialization in pharmaceuticals for 80 marks which are of Essay type and 90 minutes duration.

The Interview is for 40 Marks.

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## SYLLABUS FOR ADMISSION TEST Under DST-SERB Project (FULLTIME)

### Paper 1: Research Methodology [Marks 80]

#### Unit I: Introduction

Meaning and objectives of research, motivation and dedication in research, criteria of good research, ethics in research, plagiarism, scientific integrity, selecting a topic, importance of planning, planning experimentation, field work and accessing advanced facilities. Ethics concerning studies on animals and human volunteers, CPCSEA, ICMR and CDSCO guidelines on ethics in research.

#### Unit II: Types of Research

*Descriptive studies:* Case report; *Analytical studies:* Ecology study, cross-sectional study, case-control study, cohort study. *Experimental studies:* Interventional trial studies: Randomized Control Studies, Uncontrolled trial studies; Qualitative study design: Case study, observations, in-depth interview.

Sampling and Randomization, Size of sample, Bias, Single Blind Design, Double blind design, Open Design, Completely Randomised Design, Randomised Block Design and Latin Square Design.

#### Unit III: Literature review

*Journals:* Standard journals in Pharmaceutical Sciences, Impact factor, Citations, web based journals, writing a research paper, popular websites for scientific literature, choosing a journal for sending research publications, styles of writing references. Search Engines like Google Scholar and Science Direct.

*Patents:* Importance of patenting, Steps in patenting process, accessing patent literature.

#### **Unit IV: Testing of hypothesis**

Theory, calculation and applications of t-test, z-test, Chi square test, one way ANOVA, two way ANOVA and three way ANOVA, Duncan's test and Tukey's test.

#### **Unit V: Preparation of Thesis**

Structure of thesis, background of the work, importance of language, grammar, scientific and systematic way of presentation, statistical analysis, use of graphical representation, proper preparation of graphs and tables, discussion, comparison with previous work, interpretation of *in vitro* and *in vivo* results, summary and conclusion.

### **Paper 2 : Pharmacy (Question paper based on specialization)**

**[Marks 80]**

#### **PHARMACEUTICS**

**1. Professional Pharmacy:** Professional Pharmacy, Pharmaceutical jurisprudence including Drugs and Cosmetics Act 1940 and rules 1945. Pharmacy Act 1948, Code of Pharmaceutical ethics. Prescription: definition, various parts of prescription and their functions, handling of prescription, sources of errors, care required in dispensing procedures including labeling of dispensed products, preliminary knowledge of important Latin terms used in the prescriptions and their translation into English. Posology: Definition, Factors affecting dose selection. Calculation of children and infant doses. Drug regulatory agencies. Concepts on ICH, WHO, FDA, TGA, ISO, GMP, SOP, QBD, Patents etc.

**2. Physical Pharmaceutics:** States of matter, Physical properties of drug molecules, pH, buffers and isotonic solution, solubility phenomena, surface tension, interfacial phenomenon, Kinetics, Rheology, Micromeritics & powder flow, Diffusion and dissolution, Colloids, Complexation and protein binding

**3. Pharmaceutical Technology:** Principles, Formulation, Ingredients, method of manufacture, evaluation, quality control tests, labeling and packaging of following class of product:  
Solid dosage forms: Tablets, coating, capsules, microcapsules, powders, granules etc. Liquid dosage forms: solutions, suspensions, emulsions,  
Semisolid dosage forms: ointment, creams, gels, suppositories,  
Parenterals: injections small volume, large volume, ophthalmic preparations and  
Pre-formulation studies, Stability studies and Pharmacopoeial specifications for various formulations. Formulation of cosmetics preparation like lipstick, shampoo, creams, nail preparations and dentifrices, powders etc.

**4. Biopharmaceutics and Pharmacokinetics and their importance in formulation.** Introduction to Biopharmaceutics: Drug absorption, distribution, metabolism and elimination. Compartment model- Definition and Scope. Pharmacokinetics of drug absorption- Zero order and first order absorption rate constant. Determination of pharmacokinetic parameters. Bioavailability and bioequivalence: Measures of bioavailability,  $C_{max}$ ,  $t_{max}$ ,  $K_{el}$  and Area Under the Curve (AUC); Review of regulatory requirements for conducting bioequivalent studies. Biopharmaceutical Classification System (BCS) of drugs.



