



Minutes of the 5th meeting
Advance Studies and Research Board (ASRB)

Fifth meeting of the Advance Studies and Research Board (ASRB) held on October 10, 2018 at Committee Room Main Administration Block, University of Swat, Sector-F Kanju Town Ship, Swat.

The following attended the meeting:

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| 1. Vice Chancellor, University of Swat | - | Chairperson |
| 2. Dr. Hassan Sher,
Director, Centre for Plant Sciences & Biodiversity, UoS | - | Member |
| 3. Prof. Dr. Raham Sher,
Chairman, Department of Biotechnology, AWKUM | - | Member |
| 4. Prof. Dr. Zafar Iqbal,
Department of Pharmacy, University of Peshawar | - | Member |
| 5. Principal,
College of Home Sciences, University of Swat. | - | Member |
| 6. Dr. Shahid Ali,
Assistant Professor, Centre for Biotechnology & Microbiology, UoS | - | Member |
| 7. Dr. Kifayat Ullah,
Assistant Professor, Deptt; of Computer & Software Technology, UoS | - | Member |
| 8. Dr. Muhammad Umar,
Assistant Professor, Institute of Chemical Sciences, University of Swat. | - | Member |
| 9. Prof. Dr. Mumtaz Hussain,
Department of Chemistry, Govt. PG Jahanzeb College, Saidu Sharif Swat | - | Member |
| 10. Ms. Farzana Hilal,
Associate Professor, Govt. Girls Degree College Saidu Sharif, Swat | - | Member |
| 11. Dr. Sardar Bacha,
Assistant Professor, Department of Botany, Government Degree College Mingora. | - | Member |
| 12. Director Advance Studies,
University of Swat | - | Secretary |

Proceedings:

The meeting started with recitation of few verses from the Holy Quran. The chair welcomed all the members and thanked them to sparing time for the meeting.

The board unanimously confirmed minutes of the previous (4th meeting of ASRB).



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ITEM No.1 Extension in the study period of M.Phil scholars in the disciplines of Microbiology and Biotechnology

The board unanimously decided that since the study period of the scholars is above 4 years and therefore may be referred to syndicate for grant of extension in study period till March 31, 2019.

ITEN No.2 B(i). Approval of research title and research synopsis in respect of Mr. Syed Obaid Ali, M.Phil Microbiology, Centre for Biotechnology and Microbiology.

- i. The Board approved the research title and synopsis of the scholar and recommended the following minor changes.
- ii. The word Aims must be removed from the section “Aims and Objectives”
- iii. The literature review and references should be updated and at latest references of the last 5 years must be cited. Furthermore, avoid citation of references which are not cited in the text section.
- iv. In the title page of the synopsis the year 2014 must be replaced by 2018.
- v. Scholar must follow the uniform style of references as per the format approved by ASRB in its previous meeting.
- vi. Conclusion and Recommendations of each study must be highlighted in every study/ thesis

B(ii) Approval of research title and research synopsis in respect of Mr. Sahib Shah, M.Phil Microbiology, Centre for Biotechnology and Microbiology.

- i. The Board approved the research title and synopsis of the scholar and recommended the following minor changes.
- ii. The word Aims must be removed from the section “Aims and Objectives”
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- iv. In the title page of the synopsis the year 2014 must be replaced by 2018.
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- vi. In the title, the word, “In Crude Extract” must be removed.
- vii. In Aims and objectives section, the re-sequence is recommended of the order of existing 2 as 1 and existing 3 as 2 and merger of the 1 and the last objectives as 3.
- vii. Conclusion and Recommendations of each study must be highlighted in every study/ thesis

B(iii) Approval of research title and research synopsis in respect of Mr. Saifullah, M.Phil Microbiology, Centre for Biotechnology and Microbiology.

- i. The Board approved the research title and synopsis of the scholar and recommended the following minor changes.
- ii. The word Aims must be removed from the section “Aims and Objectives”
- iii. The literature review and references should be updated and at latest references of the last 5 years must be cited. Furthermore, avoid citation of references which are not cited in the text section.
- iv. In the title page of the synopsis the year 2014 must be replaced by 2018.
- v. Scholar must follow the uniform style of references as per the format approved by ASRB in its previous meeting.
- vi. Since the objective no1 is based on the prevalence of fungal species so the scope of statistical analysis must be taken into account in the study.
- vii. Conclusion and Recommendations of each study must be highlighted in every study/ thesis

B(iv) Approval of research title and research synopsis in respect of Mr. Rashid Sultan, M.Phil Microbiology, Centre for Biotechnology and Microbiology.

- i. The Board approved the research title and synopsis of the scholar and recommended the following minor changes.
- ii. The word Aims must be removed from the section “Aims and Objectives”
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- iv. In the title page of the synopsis the year 2014 must be replaced by 2018.



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- v. Scholar must follow the uniform style of references as per the format approved by ASRB in its previous meeting.
- vi. The word “Big Hospital” in the text must be replaced with “major Hospital”.
- vii. Conclusion and Recommendations of each study must be highlighted in every study/ thesis

B(v) Approval of research title and research synopsis in respect of Mr. Ajmal Hayat, M.Phil Microbiology, Centre for Biotechnology and Microbiology.

- i. The Board approved the research title and synopsis of the scholar and recommended the following minor changes.
- ii. The word Aims must be removed from the section “Aims and Objectives”
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- iv. In the title page of the synopsis the year 2014 must be replaced by 2018.
- iv. Scholar must follow the uniform style of references as per the format approved by ASRB in its previous meeting.
- vi. The number of samples in Materials and methods section must be mentioned.
- vii. Conclusion and Recommendations of each study must be highlighted in every study/ thesis

B(vi) Approval of research title and research synopsis in respect of Mr. Sajad Khan, M.Phil Biotechnolgy, Centre for Biotechnology and Microbiology.

- i. The Board approved the research title and synopsis of the scholar and recommended the following minor changes.
- ii. The word Aims must be removed from the section “Aims and Objectives”
- ii. The literature review and references should be updated and at latest references of the last 5 years must be cited. Furthermore, avoid citation of references which are not cited in the text section.
- iv. In the title page of the synopsis the year 2014 must be replaced by 2018.



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- v. Scholar must follow the uniform style of references as per the format approved by ASRB in its previous meeting.
- vi. In objectives no 2 the word confirms be replaced with the “study” alongside deletion of “in lab” and add next “of the pesticide name”.
- vii. Conclusion and Recommendations of each study must be highlighted in every study/ thesis

B(vii) Approval of research title and research synopsis in respect of Mr. Aftab Alam Khan, M.Phil Biotechnology, Centre for Biotechnology and Microbiology.

- i. The Board approved the research title and synopsis of the scholar and recommended the following minor changes.
- ii. The word Aims must be removed from the section “Aims and Objectives”
- ii. The literature review and references should be updated and at latest references of the last 5 years must be cited. Furthermore, avoid citation of references which are not cited in the text section.
- iv. In the title page of the synopsis the year 2014 must be replaced by 2018.
- vi. Scholar must follow the uniform style of references as per the format approved by ASRB in its previous meeting.
- vii. The existing title of the synopsis must be replaced as “CONSERVATION OF CARALLUMA TUBERCULATA SPECIES; AN ENDANGERED MEDICINAL PLANT USING SUSPENSION CULTURE”.
- viii. Conclusion and Recommendations of each study must be highlighted in every study/ thesis

B(viii) Approval of research title and research synopsis in respect of Mr. Sadeeq Akbar, M.Phil Microbiology, Centre for Biotechnology and Microbiology.

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- iv. In the title page of the synopsis the year 2014 must be replaced by 2018.
- v. Scholar must follow the uniform style of references as per the format approved by ASRB in its previous meeting.
- vi. In the objective no 1 the word “dead” must be removed.
- vii. Conclusion and Recommendations of each study must be highlighted in every study/ thesis

B(ix) Approval of research title and research synopsis in respect of Mr. Nasir Ali, M.Phil Microbiology, Centre for Biotechnology and Microbiology.

- i. The Board approved the research title and synopsis of the scholar and recommended the following minor changes.
- ii. The word Aims must be removed from the section “Aims and Objectives”
- iii. The literature review and references should be updated and at latest references of the last 5 years must be cited. Furthermore, avoid citation of references which are not cited in the text section.
- iv. In the title page of the synopsis the year 2014 must be replaced by 2018.
- v. Scholar must follow the uniform style of references as per the format approved by ASRB in its previous meeting.
- vi. The word high valued be removed from the title of the synopsis and also in the objective no 1.
- vii. The objective no 2 be extended with the words “From medicinal plants”
- viii. In objective no 3 the word Biochemical be replaced with “Phytochemical”.
- ix. Conclusion and Recommendations of each study must be highlighted in every study/ thesis

B(x) Approval of research title and research synopsis in respect of Ms. Kalsoom Bibi, M.Phil Biotechnology, Centre for Biotechnology and Microbiology.



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- v. Scholar must follow the uniform style of references as per the format approved by ASRB in its previous meeting.
- vi. New version of the software may be applied in the study as and where required.
- vii. Conclusion and Recommendations of each study must be highlighted in every study/ thesis

ITEN No. 3. Minimum experience of a Ph.D faculty member to supervise a Ph.D thesis

The Board unanimously adopted as it is, the criteria of HEC for a Ph.D faculty member to supervise a Ph.D thesis for quality assurance (Ref.1-22(NQAC)/QAD/2017/HEC/06-363).

Table Agenda

The case of Mr. Nasir Ali, M Phil Microbiology was discussed in the light of his application for M.Phil leading to Ph.D programme which was unanimously regretted as he was granted admission in M.Phil programme as per the advertisement of University of Swat.

GENERAL POINTS

- a. The board decided that there should be quarterly meeting of ASRB on regular basis and subject to the agenda items.
- b. All the HODs should furnish the agenda items well in time and the cases of NOCs from HEC for launch of M.Phil and Ph.D programme must be obtained prior to the start/induction/ admission of the students in the respective programmes.
- c. The M.Phil/ Ph.D study must include proper work plan, sample collection processing and experimental procedure.

The meeting ended with a vote of thanks to and for the chair.