

EC8075 NANOTECHNOLOGY AND APPLICATIONS

DETAILED SYLLABUS

OBJECTIVES:

- To provide a broad view of the nascent field of nanoscience and nanotechnology to undergraduates
- To explore the basics of nanomaterial synthesis and characterization.
- To introduce the applications of nanotechnology

UNIT I INTRODUCTION TO NANOTECHNOLOGY

Basic Structure of Nanoparticles- Kinetics in Nanostructured Materials- Zero-dimensional, size and shape of nanoparticles; one-dimensional and two-dimensional nanostructures- clusters of metals and semiconductors, bio nano-particles.

UNIT II FABRICATION AND CHARACTERIZATION OF NANOMATERIALS

Types of Nanomaterials (Quantum dots, Nanoparticles, Nanocrystals, Dendrimers, Bucky balls, Nanotubes); Gas, liquid, and solid –phase synthesis of nanomaterials; Lithography techniques (Photolithography, Dip-pen and Electron beam lithography); Thin film deposition; Electrospinning. Bio-synthesis of nanomaterials.

UNIT III PROPERTIES AND MEASUREMENT OF NANOMATERIALS

Optical Properties: Absorption, Fluorescence, and Resonance; Methods for the measurement of nanomaterials; Microscopy measurements: SEM, TEM, AFM and STM. Confocal and TIRF imaging.

UNIT IV NANO STRUCTURES

Carbon Nanotubes, Fullerenes, Nanowires, Quantum Dots. Applications of nanostructures. Reinforcement in Ceramics, Drug delivery, Giant magnetoresistance, etc. Cells response to Nanostructures.

UNIT V APPLICATIONS OF NANOTECHNOLOGY

Nano electronics, Nano sensors, Nanotechnology in Diagnostics applications, Environmental and Agricultural Applications of nanotechnology, Nano technology for energy systems

TEXT BOOKS:

1. Springer Handbook of Nanotechnology by Bharat Bhushan 2004. (Unit I – V)
2. Encyclopedia of Nanotechnology - Hari Singh Nalwa 2004. (Unit I – V)

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1. Nanomaterials, Nanotechnologies and Design: An Introduction to Engineers and Architects, D. Michael Ashby, Paulo Ferreira, Daniel L. Schodek, Butterworth-Heinemann, 2009.
2. Handbook of Nanophase and Nanostructured Materials (in four volumes), Eds: Z.L. Wang, Y. Liu, Z. Zhang, Kluwer Academic/Plenum Publishers, 2003.