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REPORT

VISIT TO CENTRAL RESEARCH INSTITUTE (CRI), KASAULI, SOLAN, H.P.

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Report on: Visit to Central Research Institute (CRI), Kasauli, Solan, H.P. On 28th November 2024

Department of Zoology organized visit to Central Research Institute, Kasauli, Solan (H.P.) under DBT Star College Scheme on 28th November 2024 with HOD Zoology Dr. Minakshi Sharma and Dr. Shweta Sharma, SLA dept. of Zoology Sh. Hemachand Sharma along with 42 students of B.Sc. 2nd and 3rd year participating in it.

The visit began with an introductory session conducted by the CRI staff. They provided an overview of the institute's history, its establishment during the British era, and its current role in producing vaccines and conducting cutting-edge research. The visit aimed to provide practical insights into vaccine development, laboratory practices, and the historical significance of CRI in combating infectious diseases.

Central Research Institute (CRI) is pioneer in the field of vaccines not only in India but in the world. Founded on 3rd of May 1905, the Institute was originally established with a mandate of research work in the field of medical and public health, manufacture of vaccines and antisera, human resource development and to act as a national referral centre for public health problems.

CRI Kasauli became the first Central Government Institute to have cGMP compliant infrastructure for DTP group of vaccine, from this facility the Institute is manufacturing and supplying DTP group of vaccine to UIP, Government of India.



The CRI works as a WHO collaborating centre and as an immunobiological laboratory producing vaccines for measles and polio, and DTP group of vaccines. It also provides M.Sc. Programme in Microbiology.





LABORATORY TOUR

We toured the laboratories where various stages of vaccine development are carried out. **Assistant Technical Officer Dr. Poonam** interacted with us and she spokes briefly about the institute and different goals of the Central Research Institute, Kasauli. Firstly, we visited Central Drug Laboratory which is under Ministry of Health and Family Welfare the main objectives of this laboratory is to provide leaving certificate for vaccines and serum which has been sended by different Institutes (Bharat Biotech, SIIPL) for their quality and safety check. After this certification, now the vaccines and serum are to be supplied in the market. They have briefly described the procedure for certification and they also shown us testing animals like mice, guinea pig and rabbits on which these vaccines being tested firstly and conclusion is drawn from the observations like how their body is responding towards that vaccine.







They also have warehouse where they have 120 equines (horse, donkey, mule) which have been procured and donated by Army and Military corps. The warehouse at the

Central Research Institute (CRI) Kasauli, dedicated to the collection and storage of equine-derived antibodies, plays a vital role in the production of therapeutic antivenoms and other immunological products. They also have different clinical laboratories like:-

- National Salmonella and Escherichia Centre
- Rabies Research Centre
- National Polio Surveillance Centre
- Treatment Centre

Then, we met **Technical Officer Karan** which gave us brief introduction about the procedure of water distillation, purification and sterilization. He showed us different instrument that are used in demineralization and sterilization (autoclave). We also visited Centralised Sterilization and Media Centre. Centralized Sterilization and Media Centre (CSMC) streamlines the sterilization of medical instruments and preparation of media like Sodium Casein Digest Agar (SCDA). It ensures high hygiene standards and infection control, maintaining the safety and quality of equipment.











DPT LAB TOUR

As part of the visit, we toured the DPT (Diphtheria, Pertussis, and Tetanus) vaccine production lab. This tour aimed to help us understand the complex processes involved in developing vaccines that are critical for preventing life-threatening diseases. The DPT lab tour was an eye-opening experience. It allowed us to see the real-world application of scientific principles and the critical role of research and development in improving public health. Witnessing the dedication of the staff at CRI motivated us to consider careers in the biomedical field.











CONCLUSION

The visit to CRI Kasauli was an enriching experience, offering a unique opportunity to witness the intersection of history, science, and public health. The institute's dedication to improving health outcomes through research and innovation is commendable.

We are grateful to our institution for organizing this visit and to the CRI staff for their hospitality and guidance. This experience will remain a memorable and motivating part of our academic journey.





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