Optional Course

LS 507—NEUROPHYSIOLOGY [2 credits]

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S No	Topic	Contact
		Hours
1.	Neuron, glia, structure and function general; ionic distribution,	8
	transmembrane potential, membrane, lipids, myelination, channels,	
	receptor, action potential generation, propagation, synapse,	
	neurotransmitter release, axoplasmic transport	
2.	Neurotransmitter synthesis and its regulation, receptor type,	2
	properties, second messengers	
3.	Coding of information, sensation, adaptation, denervation	2
	hypersensitivity, sensitization;	
4.	Reflex, properties, types: myotatic reflex, conditioned and	4
	unconditioned reflex, learning, motor control and decerebrate	
	rigidity, injury to brain	
5.	Development and evolution of brain, organization of nervous	5
	system anatomy, cyto-architecture; brainstem, cerebrum,	
	cerebellum, reticular formation, cortex; spinal cord, vertebral	
	column, CSF, blood brain barrier; touch, pain, heat, itch etc	
6.	Methods to study, sympathetic and parasympathetic nervous	3
	system; ascending and descending tracts	
7.	Gross to cellular study stimulation. lesion, unit studies, anatomical,	2
	histological, biochemical, micro-dialysis, micro-iontophoresis,	
	molecular studies, in vivo and in vitro cell culture studies	

Suggested reading:

- 1. Principles of Neural Science by Eric R. Kandel, James Harris Schwartz, Thomas M. Jessell
- 2. Fundamental Neuroscience by Larry R. Squire
- 3. The Central Nervous System: Structure and function by Per Brodal