

<b>Phys 4607</b>	<b>MEDICAL PHYSICS</b>	<b>(CR3)</b>
<b>Preq.</b>	<b>Phys 3402, 3702/ ADP (Physics)</b>	

### **Objective**

*To give an introduction to various applications of physics in medical sciences and health care sector.*

### **Syllabus**

Interactions of Ionising Radiation with Matter: Introduction; Beta-rays, range-energy relationship, mechanism of energy loss, ionization and excitation, Bremsstrahlung, Alpha-rays, Range-energy relationship, Energy transfer, Gamma-rays, exponential absorption, interaction mechanisms, Pair production,



Compton scattering, photoelectric absorption, photodisintegration, Combined effect, Neutrons, Production classification, interaction, Scattering, Absorption. Radiotherapy, development of radiotherapy, Radiotherapeutic aims, External beam therapy, Brachytherapy, Unsealed source therapy, Requirements for accuracy and precision, Quality assurance, The role of medical physics. Medical Imaging, Diagnostic X-rays, Production of X-rays, Absorption of x-ray to other planes, Partial volume effect, Artifacts, Contrast agents in conventional radiography and CT, Diagnostic Ultrasound, Doppler effect, Radionuclide imaging, positron emission tomography (PET), Magnetic resonance imaging (MRI), Contrast agents for MRI.

### ***Recommended Books***

1. *Introduction to Health Physics* by H. Cember. 3<sup>rd</sup> Ed. McGraw Hill, (1996).
2. *Diagnostic Imaging*, by Peter Armstrong and Martin L. 4<sup>th</sup> Ed., Blackwell, (1998).
3. *Radiologic Science of Technologists* by S. C. Bushong, 5<sup>th</sup> Ed. Mosby, (1993).
4. *Fundamentals of Radiation Dosimetry*, by J. R. Greening, 2<sup>nd</sup> Ed. Adam Hilger, (1985).
5. *Radiation Detection and Measurement*, by Knol G.F., 2<sup>nd</sup> Ed. Willey, (1980).
6. *Physics of Medical Imaging*, by Edwin G. A. Aird, Heinemann, (1988).