

## PHASEWISE GROWTH AND DEVELOPMENT OF FORENSIC TOXICOLOGY : PAST, PRESENT AND FUTURE

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*The emergence of forensic toxicology has occurred in phases. The changing phases had occurred due to changing pattern of poisoning, innovation and modification of methods for detection of poison in forensic matrices related to criminal poisoning mostly suicidal as well as homicidal. The advent of science and technology gave a fillip to the application of sophisticated analytical techniques in forensic toxicological analysis. There has thus been a phenomenal development. The phasewise growth and development of forensic toxicological aspects, specially analytical toxicology, have been described in the present paper.*

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