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Macdonald defined finite field analogues of Schur functions by considering invariants over finite fields. When principally specialized, these polynomials may be considered over the integers yielding, for example, (t,q) -versions of binomial coefficients. Several natural properties of these (t,q) -versions will be proven and others are conjectured. As an application of these ideas, a q -analogue of a classical partition theorem will be given. (Received February 26, 2007)