

Course Syllabus

Course Code	Course Title	ECTS Credits	
HEMA-542	Blood Disorders	7.5	
Prerequisites	Department	Semester	
HEMA-541	Life Sciences	Spring	
Type of Course	Field	Language of Instruction	
Concertation- Hematology	Biomedical Sciences	English	
Level of Course	Lecturer(s)	Year of Study	
2 nd Cycle	Dr. Laura Kouma Dr. Niki Vyrides	1 st	
Mode of Delivery	Work Placement	Co-requisites	
Face-to-face	N/A	None	

Course Objectives:

The main objectives of the course are to:

- Provide an overview of the most common blood disorders, including malignancies.
- Discuss the main techniques used for detecting and monitoring these diseases' progression.

Learning Outcomes:

After completion of the course students are expected to be able to:

- 1. Explain the classification of hematological malignancies.
- 2. Describe morphology and function of leukocytes subpopulations
- 3. Describe the symptoms, pathogenesis and laboratory investigation of hematological malignancies
- 4. List and explain the diagnostic methods used to diagnose these hematologic disorders.
- 5. Outline the treatment options and specify immunotherapy

Course Content:

- 1. Hemopoiesis in health and disease
- 2. Classification, clinical manifestations and laboratory markers of erythrocyte, granulocyte and lymphocyte disorders
- 3. Symptoms, pathogenesis, and laboratory investigation of hematological malignancies



(leukemias, myeloproliferative disorders, lymphomas, multiple myelomas, myelodysplastic syndromes)

- 4. Acquire the theoretical and practical knowledge related to diagnostic procedures in hematology:
 - a) Microscopic
 - b) Cytogenetics
 - c) Histopathology
 - d) Molecular diagnostic approaches
 - e) Investigation of cellular characteristics and abnormalities by flow cytometry
 - f) Flow cytometry and leukocyte subgrouping
 - g) Flow cytometric immunophenotyping of hematopoietic malignancies
- 5. Define the role and strategy of laboratory diagnostics in hematological diseases for diagnosing, differentiating, monitoring, evaluating treatment options, monitoring and evaluating the effects of treatment.
- 6. Outline the different treatments used in hematological malignancies and specify immunotherapy options.
- 7. Clinical cases and discussion

Learning Activities and Teaching Methods:

Lectures, problem-based learning, poster and/or oral medical / research papers presentations.

Assessment Methods:

Student performance in case studies, assignments, midterm, and final Exams

Required Textbooks / Readings:

Title	Author(s)	Publisher	Year	ISBN
Clinical Hematology: Theory & Procedures	Mary Lou Turgeon	Wolters Kluwer	2018	ISBN-13: 978- 1496332288 ISBN-10: 1496332288
Hoftbrand's Essential Hematotology (7 th edition)	A. Victor Hoffbrand, Paul A. H. Moss	Wiley- Blackwell	2015	978-1-118- 40867-4



Recommended Textbooks / Readings:

Title	Author(s)	Publisher	Year	ISBN
Transfusion medicine & hemostasis: clinical and laboratory aspects (2 nd Edition)	Beth H. Shaz, Christopher D. Hillyer, Mikhail Roshal, Charles S. Abrams	Elsevier Science	2013	978- 0123971647