Global Learning Semesters

Course Syllabus

Course: BIOL-260 Immunology

Department: Health and Life Sciences

Host Institution: University of Nicosia, Nicosia, Cyprus



Course Summary		
Course Code	Course Title	Recommended Credit Hours
BIOL-260	Immunology	3
Semester Offered	Contact Hours	Prerequisites
Please contact us	42-45	BIOL -101, BIOL -102
Department	Level of Course	Language of Instruction
Health and Life Sciences	Lower Division	English

Course Description

This course introduces the student to immunobiology and innate immunity, the recognition of antigen, the development of mature lymphocyte cell and receptor repertoires, the adaptive immune response, the immune system in health and disease, and the evolution of the immune system. At the end of the course the student is expected to: Know the basis for immunity and the type of cell repertoire involved in the immune system; About immune tolerance; Immune hypersensitivity; Autoimmunity and Immune Diseases. The course format will be lectures, assigned literature readings and 1h per week tutorials with discussions on experimental data and on case studies of immune diseases.

Prerequisites

BIOL-101, BIOL-102

Topic Areas

- 1. Overview of Immunity and the Immune System; Cells, Tissues, and Organs of the Immune System
- 2. Antibodies and Antigens
- 3. Maturation of B Lymphocytes and Expression of Immunoglobulin Genes
- 4. The Major Histocompatibility Complex
- 5. Antigen Processing and Presentation
- 6. T-Lymphocyte Antigen Recognition and Activation
- 7. B-Lymphocyte Activation and Antibody Production
- 8. Immunologic Tolerance
- 9. Cytokines
- 10. Innate Immunity
- 11. Effector Mechanisms of Cell-Mediated Immunity
- 12. Effector Mechanisms of Humoral Immunity
- 13. Immunity to Microbes
- 14. Transplantation Immunology; Immunity to Tumors
- 15. Autoimmunity and Autoimmune Diseases; Immunodeficiencies

Tutorials

Through 1 hour tutorials the student learns about raising of antibodies, screening of antibodies, interpretation of ELISA assays, how to look at relevant scientific literature thought the web and about specific human immune diseases through case studies presentations and discussions.

Readings and Resources

Textbook Required

- Schaum's Outline Of Immunology by George Pinchuk Publisher: McGrow Hill, 2001 ISBN: 0-07-137366-7
- 2. Immunobiology by Charles Janeway (Editor), Paul Travers Garland Pub; ISBN: 081533642X; 5th edition (June 21, 2001)

Textbook Recommended

- 1. The Immune System by Peter Parkham, Peter Parham Garland Pub; ISBN: 081533043X; 1st edition (January 15, 2000)
- 2. Cellular and Molecular Immunology by Abul K. Abbas, Jordan S. Pober, Andrew H. Lichtman Publisher: W B Saunders; 5th edition (February 14, 2003) ISBN: 0721600085
- 3. How the Immune System Works by Lauren M. Sompayrac Publisher: Blackwell Science Inc; 1st edition (January 15, 1999) ISBN: 0632044136
- 4. Immunology by Ivan M. Roitt (Editor), Jonathan Brostoff (Editor), David K. Male (Editor) Publisher: Mosby, Inc.; 6th edition (July 9, 2001) ISBN: 0723431892
- 5. Superantigens: Molecular Biology, Immunology, and Relevance to Human Disease by Donald Y. M. Leung, Brigitte T. Huber, Patrick M. Schlievert Publisher: Marcel Dekker; 1st edition (January 15, 1997) ISBN: 082479813