

The Hebrew University of Jerusalem

Syllabus

Molecular Medicine and Oncogenomics - 94812

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HU Credits: 4

<u>Degree/Cycle:</u> 2nd degree (Master)

Responsible Department: Bio-Medical Sciences

Academic year: 0

Semester: 2nd Semester

<u>Teaching Languages:</u> Hebrew

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Course/Module description:

Understanding the molecular basis for several genetic diseases including cancer, genome-based diagnosis of these diseases, and their therapy by different molecules and treatments.

Course/Module aims:

- 1. To understand the molecular basis for several human diseases.
- 2. To understand the new diagnostic tools available to diagnose these diseases.
- 3. The current treatments and novel treatments which are developed to treat these diseases.

<u>Learning outcomes - On successful completion of this module, students should be able to:</u>

Understanding of the molecular basis of several human diseases, the new diagnostic tools and the current and novel treatments for these diseases.

Attendance requirements(%):

Teaching arrangement and method of instruction: Lectures

Course/Module Content:

- 1. Introduction for genome complexity and genomic changes that lead to the development of genetic diseases including cancer. Understanding of the different types of mutations (nonsense, missense, synonymous, deletions, amplifications ect').
- 2. Diseases developed because of hyperactivity of enzymes and enzyme inhibitors as drugs. Kinase inhibitors as drugs and anti-cancer drugs.
- 3. The molecular basis for drug resistance to kinase inhibitors.
- 4. Transcription, alternative splicing and diseases emanating from misregulation of these processes.
- 5. Genetic diseases because of gene loss of function and their novel treatments (DMD, DM1, CF, TZ, SMA) including small molecules, oligonucleotides, genomic

editing ect').

- 6. Using genomic editing for research and therapy.
- 7. Cancer as a genomic diseases, genomic diagnosis for personalized medicine.
- 8. Introduction to immunotherapy for cancer treatment.

Required Reading:

- 1. Molecular Biology of the Cell (Alberts) sixth edition
- 2. Cooper TA, Wan L, Dreyfuss G. (2009). RNA and disease. Cell. 136:777-93.
- 3. Cartegni L, Chew SL, Krainer AR. (2002). Listening to silence and understanding nonsense: exonic mutations that affect splicing. Nat Rev Genet. 2002 Apr;3(4):285-98
- 4. Additional recent papers.

<u>Additional Reading Material:</u>

Course/Module evaluation:
End of year written/oral examination 100 %
Presentation 0 %
Participation in Tutorials 0 %
Project work 0 %
Assignments 0 %
Reports 0 %
Research project 0 %
Quizzes 0 %
Other 0 %

Additional information: