

The Hebrew University of Jerusalem

Syllabus

Introduction to Technologies and Tools in Biomedical Research - 94874

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HU Credits: 4

Degree/Cycle: 2nd degree (Master)

Responsible Department: Bio-Medical Sciences

<u>Academic year:</u> 0

Semester: 2nd Semester

Teaching Languages: English

<u>Campus:</u> Ein Karem

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Course/Module description:

This will primarily be a training course for master student indented to open the first year of master in which the students will be introduced to various biomedical research approaches and tools. This will include introduction to instruments in the faculty core facility. Students will learn the theories of the approaches and their applications in research. While each student starts master studies with different backgrounds, they will be able to translate knowledge established during their bachelor's into practical methodologies for their master training. In addition, this course will include introduction to the faculty research infrastructure, overview of research approaches in their future labs and that of other groups in the faculty.

Course/Module aims:

To expose students to various scientific approaches, methods and instruments and their applications in biomedical research. Mastering both theories of the approaches and their applications in research.

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

To evaluate research questions with advance research approaches. To plan scientific system by using different research approaches. To know both theories and practical applications of each approach. All these will serve as future guidance for the student's future research.

Attendance requirements(%):

60%

Teaching arrangement and method of instruction: Lectures, assignments and exercises.

Course/Module Content:

1. Imaging approaches and microscopy:

• Introduction:

Electromagnetic spectrum

The light wave characters: wavelength & energy, Amplitude, phase Introduction to imaging infrastructure including light microscopy unit, EM unit, image analysis service, spectrophotometric and the imaging center for pre-clinical animal model (including PET/CT/MRI/ultrasound).

• Light microscope: Bright field Phase contrast

• Fluorescent microscope: Fluorescent microscope Confocal microscope Time lapse microscopy Super Resolution – STORM Super Resolution – STED

• Electron Microscope: Transmission Electron Microscope (TEM) Scanning Electron Microscope (SEM)

 Flow cytometry & FACS
 Principle of operation: FACS components (laser, optics, flow, and types of detectors and their location).
 Type signals received: Area, Width and Height.
 Protocols, applications, analysis of results and presentation.

3. Molecular Biology

Sequencing methods
Sanger, next generation sequencing
Single cell technologies
Microfluidics (10X Genomics) etc.
Amplification & quantitation methods
qPCR& PCR

LAMP MDA & WGA PCR, qPCR • Gene manipulation KD shRNA, siRNA, miRNA KO, KI Classical, crispr Induced KO – cre-loxp, ER Crispr as a tool for Activation of genes.

Epigenetics: ChIP, Cut & run, Bisulfite, RRBS Genomics Chromosome Conformation Capture- HiC, 4C, 3C

4. Proteins Western blot Co-IP MassSpec

Required Reading:

- 1. Molecular Biology of The Cell, Alberts et al., 6th ed. 2014-
- 2. Essential Cell Biology, Alberts et al., 5nd Ed. 2019.
- 3. Molecular Cell Biology, Lodish et al, 8th Ed, 2016
- 4. Genes XI, Lewin, 2012

Additional Reading Material:

Grading Scheme:

Computerized Exam - At the cluster % 70 Submission assignments during the semester: Exercises / Essays / Audits / Reports / Forum / Simulation / others 30 %

Additional information:

Unjustified attendance of less than 60% will prevent taking the final exam.