Liverpool John Moores University

Title:	ADVANCED IMMUNOLOGY
Status:	Definitive
Code:	6002BCBMOL (101445)
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Owning School/Faculty:	Pharmacy & Biomolecular Sciences
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Academic Level:	FHEQ6	Credit Value:	12.00	Total Delivered Hours:	23.00
Total Learning Hours:	120	Private Study:	97		

Delivery Options

Course typically offered: Semester 1

Component	Contact Hours
Lecture	21.000

Grading Basis: 40 %

Assessment Details

Category	Short Description	Description	Weighting (%)	Exam Duration
Exam	AS1	3 essays from 6, in 2 hours	80.0	2.00
Essay	AS2	1 in-class 40 minute essay	20.0	

Aims

To provide an advanced understanding of the activation and control of the immune response at the molecular level and to demonstrate that normal immune mechanisms can be harmful when the regulatory networks fail to work appropriately.

Learning Outcomes

After completing the module the student should be able to:

- 1 Discuss the molecular basis of receptor diversity in the immune system.
- 2 Discuss the regulation of immune responses by genetic, cellular and soluble factors.
- 3 Discuss the interaction of innate and adaptive immune mechanisms.
- 4 Discuss the underlying immune mechanism of at least one named disease.
- 5 Discuss advancements in the study of immunity through modern experimental and diagnostic techniques.

Learning Outcomes of Assessments

The assessment item list is assessed via the learning outcomes listed:

EXAM	1	2	3	4	5
CW	1	2	3	4	5

Outline Syllabus

Generation of diversity, antibody and T-cell receptor genes, immunoglobulin supergene family. Lymphocyte activation and signal transduction. Immune networks and control of the immune response. Immunity and inflammation. Thymic selection and tolerance.

Cytokines and chemokines: gene expression and mechanisms of action. The MHC, antigen processing and presentation. Innate immunity and pattern recognition. Immunosurveillance. Immunodeficiency. Hypersensitivity.

Advanced techniques: phage display antibodies, recombinant DNA, immunoassay, western blotting, immunoprecipitation, affinity chromatography, flow cytometry, immunohistochemistry.

Learning Activities

Lectures, videos, tutorials.

References

Course Material	Book
Author	Abbas, A. K., Lichtman, A. H., Pillai, S.
Publishing Year	2007
Title	Cellular and Molecular Immunology
Subtitle	
Edition	6th ed.
Publisher	Saunders

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Course Material	Book
Author	Goldsby, R. A., Kindt T. J. and Osborne, B. A.
Publishing Year	2007
Title	Immunology
Subtitle	
Edition	6th ed.
Publisher	Freeman.
ISBN	9780716785903

Course Material	Book
Author	Burmester, G. R. and Pezzutto, A.
Publishing Year	2003
Title	Color Atlas of Immunology
Subtitle	
Edition	
Publisher	
ISBN	0865779643

Course Material	Book
Author	Murphy, K., Travers, P., Walport, M.
Publishing Year	2008
Title	Immunobiology
Subtitle	
Edition	7th ed.
Publisher	Garland Science.
ISBN	0815341237

Course Material	Book
Author	Hannigan, B.M., Moore, C.B.T., Quinn, D.G.
Publishing Year	2009
Title	Immunology
Subtitle	
Edition	2nd ed.
Publisher	Scion.
ISBN	9781904842569

Course Material	Book
Author	Stites, D. P., Terr, A. I., Parslow, T. G. and Imboden, J. B.
Publishing Year	2001
Title	Medical Immunology
Subtitle	
Edition	10th ed.
Publisher	McGraw Hill
ISBN	0838563007

Course Material	Book
Author	Parham, P.
Publishing Year	2009
Title	The Immune System
Subtitle	
Edition	3rd ed.
Publisher	Garland Science.
ISBN	9780815341468.

Notes

The module assumes a basic understanding of the immune system and advances the student's knowledge of the control of the immune system at a molecular level.

The title for the in-class essay will encompass one or more of the learning outcomes.