

UNIVERSITÀ DEGLI STUDI DI MILANO-BICOCCA

COURSE SYLLABUS

Functional Analysis and Models

2324-1-F0601Q116-F0601Q119M

Aims

The course will be multidisciplinary and organized in modules in order to offer an overview of genetic, molecular, biochemical, physiological and pharmacological aspects of a human disease.

The focus of the course will be the study, from different perspectives, of a genetic disease, from diagnosis to treatment.

In particular, at the end of the course the student will have acquired the following skills:

- 1. knowledge and understanding: complete overview with different integrated approaches of a specific human genetic disease
- 2. applied knowledge and understanding: apply what has been learned to the study of numerous human genetic diseases
- 3. self-judgment: capacity to critically evaluate what has been learned
- 4. oral competences: oral communication of what has been learned using the correct scientific terminology
- 5. ability to learn: critical learning and understanding of scientific literature on different aspects of a human disease.

In the academic year 2023-2024 the genetic disease studied will be Cystic Fibrosis.

Regarding the physiology module (1 CFU), the student will have the opportunity to deepen the functional analysis of the mutated protein compared to the WT one (CFTR chlorine channel), analyzing the pathogenesis of the disease at the different organ levels. The student will be able to learn how to translate information from the analysis of the single mutate protein to the clinical manifestations associated with the pathology.

Contents

The course is composed in lectures, group works and reverse teaching on issues relating to the cellular and organ functional aspect of cystic fibrosis.

Detailed program

The course is structured as follows:

- -physiopathology of the CFTR channel
- -clinical manifestations of cystic fibrosis
- -experimental models
- -analysis and interpretation of the results of scientific articles relating to the topic

Prerequisites

Basic knowledge of general and systems physiology.

Teaching form

Lectures, group assignments, students presentations of scientific papers

Textbook and teaching resource

Powerpoint presentations will be available on e-learning.

Semester

Second

Assessment method

Written test.

The exam of the course consists in verifying the learning of the topics covered in all the modules of the course. The written test will be carried out in the computer labs.

See the details on the general course page

Office hours

Appointment via e-mail with the Physiology module Lecturer.

Sustainable Development Goals

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