

PHARMACY INTEGRATED ACADEMIC STUDIES

SECOND YEAR OF STUDIES

2023/2024

Course Name:

MEDICINAL CHEMISTRY 1

Medicinal chemistry 7 ECTS. There are 4 hours of active classes per week (2 hours of lectures and 2 hours of work in a small group)

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COURSE STRUCTURE:

Title	Week	Lectures	Small group work	Teachers
Medicinal chemistry 1	15	2	2	Prof. Slobodan Novokmet Ass. Prof. Jovana Novakovic
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GRADING SYSTEM:

The grade is equivalent to the number of points earned (see tables). Points are earned in two ways:

PRE-EXAM OBLIGATIONS:

Class attendance - maximum of two absences 10 points 2 tests that include material covered in lectures 40 points

FINAL EXAM:

Final written exam, in this way, a student can earn up to 50 points.

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Medicinal chemistry 1	Class attendance	Tests	Final written exam	Σ
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The final grade is formed as follows:

In order to pass the course, the student must obtain a minimum of 51 points.

In order to pass the course, the student must:

1. acquires more than 50% of the points provided for the pre-exam activity attendance at classes

2. obtains more than 50% of the points provided for the pre-exam activity of the teaching colloquium

3. pass the oral final exam, that is, to have more than 50% of the predicted points.

Points	grade
0 - 50	5
51 - 60	6
61 - 70	7
71 - 80	8
81 - 90	9
91 - 100	10

LITERATURE:

TEXTBOOKS	THE AUTHORS	PUBLISHER	THE LIBRARY	
Introduction to Medicinal Chemistry, 4th Edition.	Patrick GL (Ed)	Oxford: University Press; 2009	Yes	
Essentials of Pharmaceutical Chemistry, 3rd Edition.	Cairns D (Ed)	London, Chicago: Pharmaceutical Press; 2008	Yes	
Wilson and Gisvold's Textbook of Organic Medicinal and Pharmaceutical Chemistry, 12th Edition.	Beale JM, Block JH (Eds)	Philadelphia: Lippincott Williams & Wilkins; 2011	Yes	
Fundamentals of Medicinal ChemistryThomas G (Ed)London, United Kingdom, 2003Yes				
All lectures and material for group work are available on the website of the Faculty of Medical Sciences: www.medf.kg.ac.rs				

THE PROGRAM

TEACHING UNIT 1:

INTRODUCTION TO MEDICINAL CHEMISTRY

Lectures - 2 hours	Work in a small group - 2 hours
Introduction to medicinal chemistry. History and	
development of medicinal chemistry. Definition of	
drug molecule, origin of drugs; the role of medicinal	An introduction to Medicinal Chemistry
chemistry in the discovery and design of new drug	
molecules.	
molecules.	

TEACHING UNIT 2:

HOW NEW DRUGS ARE DEVELOPED: NATURAL PRODUCTS AND DRUG DISCOVERY

Lectures - 2 hours	Work in a small group - 2 hours
From plants to natural products to marketed drug.	
Complementary drug discovery approaches.	Natural products and drug discovery
Emerging new sources and targets of drugs.	

TEACHING UNIT 3:

RELATIONSHIPS OF FUNCTIONAL GROUPS TO PHARMACOLOGICAL ACTIVITY

Lectures - 2 hours	Work in a small group - 2 hours
Identify the individual functional groups that	
comprise the structure of a given drug molecule.	
Explain the general purpose of functional groups	Functional anoun abarratoristics and roles
and provide specific examples of how functional	Functional group characteristics and roles
groups affect drug activity. Explain how different	
functional groups can affect therapeutic outcomes.	

TEACHING UNIT 4:

IDENTIFYING ACIDIC AND BASIC FUNCTIONAL GROUPS

Lectures - 2 hours	Work in a small group - 2 hours
Identify the individual functional groups that comprise the structure of a given drug molecule. Identify the acidic and basic functional groups.	Identify the acidic and basic functional groups.

TEACHING UNIT 5:

PHYSICAL-CHEMICAL PROPERTIES OF DRUG MOLECULES

Lectures - 2 hours	Work in a small group - 2 hours
Physico-chemical properties of drug molecules in relation to biological action. Hydrophobic properties of drug molecules and the influence of the electronic effect of different substituents on the ionization and polarity of drug molecules.	Physico-chemical properties of drug molecules - examples

TEACHING UNIT 6:

THE DEGREE OF DRUG IONIZATION AND LIPOPHILITY OF DRUG MOLECULES

Lectures - 2 hours	Work in a small group - 2 hours
Degree of ionization of drug molecules and the	Ionization and lipophilicity - examples of drug
influence of acid-base properties on the degree of	molecules

ionization of drug molecules. Lipophilicity of drug	
molecules and lipophilicity parameters.	
Determination and significance of lipophilicity in	
drug chemistry. Lipinski's rule of five.	

TEACHING UNIT 7:

SOLUBILITY OF DRUG MOLECULES

Lectures - 2 hours	Work in a small group - 2 hours
Significance of the solubility of drug molecules in	
water. Factors affecting the solubility of drug	Solubility - examples of drug molecules
molecules and different ways to optimize solubility.	

TEACHING UNIT 8:

DRUG METABOLISM

Lectures - 2 hours	Work in a small group - 2 hours
The influence of biological factors on the	
metabolism of drug molecules; the role of drug	Biotransformation of drug molecules; oxidation
metabolism; reactions of the first stage of	reactions - examples
biotransformation.	_

TEACHING UNIT 9:

DRUG METABOLISM

Lectures - 2 hours	Work in a small group - 2 hours
Reactions of the first stage of biotransformation	Biotransformation of drug molecules;
	reduction and hydrolysis reactions - examples

TEACHING UNIT 10:

DRUG METABOLISMLectures - 2 hoursWork in a small group - 2 hoursReactions of the second phase of biotransformation
– conjugation, the capacity of the conjugation
process, methylation, acetylation.Biotransformation of drug molecules; second
phase reactions - examples

TEACHING UNIT 11:

DRUG METABOLISM

Lectures - 2 hours	Work in a small group - 2 hours
Reaction of forming conjugates with: sulfuric acid (sulfoconjugation), α -amino acids and glucuronic acid.	Biotransformation of drug molecules; second phase reactions - examples

TEACHING UNIT 12:

PRODRUGS AND SOFT DRUGS

Lectures - 2 hours	Work in a small group - 2 hours
Definition of prodrugs and soft drugs and its development. Key advantages of these drugs. Metabolism of prodrugs and soft drugs leading to drug action	Prodrugs and soft drugs.

TEACHING UNIT 13:

STABILITY OF DRUGS					
Lectures - 2 hours	Work in a small group - 2 hours				

Stability of medicines; stability of drugs with free radical properties; prevention of oxidative degradation of drugs; autooxidation; "aging" of drugs; drugs that are subject to hydrolysis; other mechanisms of drug degradation.

Stability of drugs - examples

TEACHING UNIT 14:

MEDICAL CHEMISTRY OF ENZYMES

Lectures - 2 hours	Work in a small group - 2 hours
Enzymes as catalysts; active sites of enzymes;	
binding of the substrate to the active site in the	Medicinal chemistry of enzymes
enzyme; binding reactions; acid-base catalysis;	Wedlemar chemistry of enzymes
nucleophilic groups.	

TEACHING UNIT 15:

MEDICINAL CHEMISTRY OF RECEPTORS

Lectures - 2 hours	Work in a small group - 2 hours
Receptors; binding sites on receptors; conformational changes of the receptor. Principles in the design of agonists and antagonists from the aspect of receptor structure.	Medicinal chemistry of receptors

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