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2025
ECTS: 2.00

Course syllabus – part A

Clinical Genetics

SUBJECT MATTER CONTENT:

Classes

The thematic scope of exercises and seminars remains related to the topic of lectures. Exercises are aimed at consolidating the thematic scope of lectures and learning the practical use of knowledge acquired during the lecture block.

Thematic scope of exercises: Pedigree analysis.

Morphological phenotype analysis. Cytogenetics. Selected syndromes genetically determined in clinical practice.

Lecture

1. Basic concepts and definitions: DNA structure, DNA replication, transcription and translation, chromosome structure, cell cycle, and cell division. Types of mutations and their consequences. Basic molecular diagnostic tests. Abnormalities in chromosome number and structure. Basic methods of cytogenetic diagnosis. Types of dimorphic traits, mechanisms, and etiology of developmental defects. Principles of family history and pedigree preparation.

2. Diseases caused by chromosomal aberrations: autosomal aneuploidies, sex chromosome aneuploidies, polyploidies, deletion and microdeletion syndromes, and syndromes associated with chromosomal instability. Concepts of epigenetics and genomic imprinting.

3. Monogenic (Mendelian) inheritance: autosomal dominant, autosomal recessive, sex-linked dominant and recessive, and atypical – discussion using examples from selected disease entities.

4. Mitochondrial diseases caused by mutations in mitochondrial and nuclear DNA. Metabolic diseases. Neurogenetics.

5. Polygenic inheritance, the relationship between genetic predispositions and environmental factors – multifactorial diseases. Developments in genetics, new disease classifications, and therapeutic options – personalized medicine: a discussion based on clinical cases. Summary of the lecture block on clinical genetics.

Seminar

The thematic scope of seminars remains related to the topic of lectures.

Seminars are aimed at consolidating the thematic scope of lectures and learning the practical use of knowledge acquired during the lecture block.

Thematic scope of the seminars: Genetic counseling. Chromosome aberrations. Microdeletion syndromes. Sex differentiation disorders.

Legal acts specifying learning outcomes:

Status of the course: None

Group of courses: None

Discipline: Medicine

Classes:

Lecture (15 h)

Classes (10 h)

Seminar (15 h)

Step: Kierunek lekarski trzeci rok (oferta w jęz. angielskim dla obcokrajowców)

Program: Medicine

Form of studies: full-time

Level of studies: uniform master's studies

Introductory subject: genetics and molecular biology, physiology, pathophysiology, embryology

Prerequisites: completing the introductory courses

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Phacomatoses, neurogenetics. Genetic prenatal diagnosis. Oncogenetics.

TEACHING OBJECTIVE:

Understanding the principles of inheritance, etiology, symptomatology and medical management in genetic diseases. Mastering specialized dysmorphological denomination and rules for describing and interpreting results of genetic tests. To learn and put into practice the skill of determining indications for performing genetic tests in pre- and postnatal diagnostics. Mastering the skills of anamnesis, physical examination and genetic counseling. Acquaintance with ethical, moral and legal problems related to genetic diagnostics and counseling. The ability to recognize a genetic disease and develop genetic counseling. Obtaining modern and up-to-date knowledge in the field of classic and novel methods of cytogenetic and molecular diagnostics (karyotype, FISH, MLPA, microarrays, Sanger sequencing, next generation sequencing with particular emphasis on whole exome sequencing). Getting to know the possibilities of primary, secondary and tertiary prevention of selected hereditary diseases.

DESCRIPTION OF THE LEARNING OUTCOMES OF THE COURSE IN RELATION TO THE DESCRIPTION OF THE CHARACTERISTICS OF THE SECOND LEVEL LEARNING OUTCOMES FOR QUALIFICATIONS AT LEVELS 6-8 OF THE POLISH QUALIFICATION FRAMEWORK IN RELATION TO THE SCIENTIFIC DISCIPLINES AND THE EFFECTS FOR FIELDS OF STUDY:

Symbols for outcomes related to the discipline:

Symbols for outcomes related to the field of study:

LEARNING OUTCOMES (Knowledge, Skills, Social competence):

W1

Basic definitions in genetics. Knowledge of the structure of DNA, RNA and chromatin. Knowledge of intercellular interactions, basic cell signaling pathways and their disorders in specific diseases. Knowledge of basic processes at the cellular level. Understanding the function of the genome, transcriptome and proteome and laboratory methods for their study. Ability to search interactions between genes. Basic knowledge about Mendelian and non-Mendelian inheritance. Knowledge of bioinformatics methods used in the modern genetic analyzes. The ability to describe the correct human karyotype, select appropriate diagnostic methods to recognize chromosomal aberrations, mono- / oligo- / poligenetic disorders or diseases associated with DNA methylation disorders. Understanding the basics of population genetics. Knowledge of the genetic conditions of human blood groups.

U1

The ability to choose cytogenetic and molecular analysis depending on the patient's phenotype. Ability to inform the patient about the purpose, course and possible risk of the proposed genetic tests and to obtain the patient's informed consent. Ability to create family tree, interpret them and estimate the risk of disease recurrence in the patient's family. The ability to identify indications for prenatal examinations. Ability to analyze karyotypes and molecular research results. The ability to provide the patient and his family with

unfavorable information on the prognosis and risk of disease recurrence. The ability to use modern free available genetic databases, search and critical literature analysis in terms of credibility and quality of scientific data.

K1

Knowledge of patient rights and medical confidentiality. The ability to manage and prioritizing the patient's well-being. The ability to establish and maintain full respect of contact with a patient with a genetically determined disease, with particular emphasis on neurodegenerative diseases. Ability to follow the rules of medical and academic ethics.

TEACHING FORMS AND METHODS:

Classes-['W1', 'U1', 'K1']-Presentation of clinical cases with discussion in the exercise group.

Lecture-['W1']-Theoretical lectures using audiovisual presentations and problem methods (case method, didactic discussion, brainstorming, decision tree)

Seminar-['W1', 'U1', 'K1']-Extending the topics of lectures by presenting selected problems and clinical cases with active discussion in the seminar group.

FORM AND CONDITIONS OF VERIFYING LEARNING OUTCOMES:

Classes-(Evaluation of the work and cooperation in the group)-['W1', 'U1', 'K1']-

The condition for passing the exercises is attendance at all classes, active participation in the assessment and discussion of the presented clinical cases.

Seminar-(Part in the discussion)-['W1', 'U1', 'K1']-The student should theoretically be prepared for each class by mastering the necessary knowledge based on the literature or additional materials indicated by the teacher. The individual work of each student during the classes is assessed and credited by the teacher. Theoretical preparation and active participation in the classroom are taken into account when assessing and completing the course.

Lecture-(Colloquium test)-['W1']-Lectures are held according to a fixed schedule. Attendance at lectures is obligatory and is checked at the beginning, during or at the end of the lecture. One excused absence is allowed. In the case of one excused absence, the student is obliged to prepare an essay on a given topic in the field of the lecture material. On the last day of the lecture block, a colloquium test is conducted on the thematic scope of the lectures. The colloquium test consists of 30 single-choice test questions. The condition for obtaining a pass is the correct answer to at least 20 out of 30 questions (66%). If the required number of correct answers is not obtained during the final colloquium test, the student is obliged to prepare an essay on a given topic from the scope of the lecture material.

Literature:

1. **Harper's Practical Genetic Counselling**, Clarke A., CRC Press, 2020, Strony: , Tom: (literatura podstawowa)

2. **Essential Medical Genetics**, Tobias E.S., Connor M., Ferguson-Smith M., Willey-Blackwell, 2011, Strony: , Tom: (literatura podstawowa)

3. **Medical Genetics**, Jorde L.B., Carey J.C., Bamshad M.J., Elsevier, 2019, Strony: , Tom: (literatura podstawowa)

4. **Diagnostic Dysmorphology**, Aase J.M., Springer, 1990, Strony: , Tom: (literatura podstawowa)

5. **Molecular Biology of Cancer. Mechanisms, Targets, and Therapeutics**, Pecorino L., Oxford University Press, 2021, Strony: -, Tom:- (literatura podstawowa)

6. <https://www.omim.org/> (literatura uzupełniająca)

7. <https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/books/NBK1116/> (literatura uzupełniająca)

8. **Neurogenetics: A Guide for Clinicians**, Wood N., Cambridge University Press, 2012, Strony: , Tom: (literatura uzupełniająca)
9. **Handbook of Epigenetics: The New Molecular and Medical Genetics**, Trygve T., Academic Press, 2011, Strony: , Tom: (literatura uzupełniająca)
10. **Langman's Medical Embryology**, Sadler T.W., LWW, 2015, Strony: , Tom: (literatura uzupełniająca)
11. **Neuromuscular Disorders of Infancy, Childhood, and Adolescence, Second Edition: A Clinician's Approach**, Darras B.T., Jones H.R., Ryan M.M., De Vivo D.C., Academic Press, 2014, Strony: , Tom: (literatura uzupełniająca)
12. **The Practical Guide to the Genetic Family History**, Bennett R.L., Wiley-Blackwell, 2010, Strony: , Tom: (literatura uzupełniająca)
13. **Applications for Next-Generation Sequencing**, Demkow U., Ploski R., Academic Press, 2016, Strony: , Tom: (literatura uzupełniająca)
14. **Oxford Desk Reference Clinical Genetics**, Firth H.V., Hurst J.A., Oxford University Press, 2017, Strony: , Tom: (literatura uzupełniająca)
15. **Smith's Recognizable Patterns of Human Malformation**, Jones K.L., Jones M.C., Del Campo M., Elsevier, 2013, Strony: , Tom: (literatura uzupełniająca)
16. **Bioinformatics and Functional Genomics**, Pevsner J., Wiley-Blackwell, 2015, Strony: , Tom: (literatura uzupełniająca)
17. **Rosenberg's Molecular and Genetic Basis of Neurological and Psychiatric Disease** Rosenberg R.N., Pascual J.M., Academic Press, 2015, Strony: , Tom: (literatura uzupełniająca)
18. <http://www.vademetab.org/> (literatura uzupełniająca)
19. <https://www.face2gene.com/> (literatura uzupełniająca)
20. <https://www.genecards.org/> (literatura uzupełniająca)
21. <https://www.uniprot.org/> (literatura uzupełniająca)



Detailed description of ECTS credits awarded - part B
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The number of ECTS credits awarded consists of:

1. Contact hours with the academic teacher:

- participation in: Lecture	15 h
- participation in: Classes	10 h
- participation in: Seminar	15 h
- consultation	2 h
Total:	42 h

2. Independent work of a student:

Analysis of current literature on selected disease entities for later active participation in discussion during classes.	8.00 h
Total:	8.00 h

Total (contact hours + independent work of a student): 50.00 h

1 ECTS credit = 25-30 h of an average student's work, number of ECTS,
ECTS Points = 50.00 h : 25 h/ECTS = **2.00** ECTS

Average: 2.00 ECTS

- including the number of ECTS credits for contact hours with the direct participation of an academic teacher	1.68 ECTS
- including the number of ECTS credits for hours of independent work of a student	0.32 ECTS