

## MODULE DESCRIPTOR

### Module Title

Medicine Design And Manufacture

Reference	PL2003	Version	1
Created	April 2022	SCQF Level	SCQF 8
Approved	June 2022	SCQF Points	30
Amended	August 2021	ECTS Points	15

### Aims of Module

To develop an understanding of the design of safe and effective medicines within a quality framework in the context of a variety of patient groups.

### Learning Outcomes for Module

On completion of this module, students are expected to be able to:

- 1 Describe the process of medicine development from the raw active pharmaceutical ingredient (drug) to the final marketed product.
- 2 Discuss the principles involved in the design of quality medicinal products and devices, their packaging and stability assessment.
- 3 Explain how the design of a medicinal product affects drug absorption.
- 4 Critically evaluate the formulation of medicinal products taking into account factors relating to: the active pharmaceutical ingredient(s), any excipients, target patient groups, the conditions being treated, the indications for the active pharmaceutical ingredient(s).

### Indicative Module Content

How to design safe and effective medicines for a variety of patient groups, utilising physicochemical data and the intended route of administration to develop commonly used dosage forms including tablets, capsules and liquids. Topics include: how active pharmaceutical ingredients become medicines and the stages involved from a product development viewpoint; factors influencing design of medicines; formulation principles relating to various basic dosage forms; stability and packaging of medicines; quality assurance principles and procedures; drug release from medicines; physiological factors affecting drug absorption; physicochemical characteristics of the drug and the dosage form being administered.

### Module Delivery

Lectures, coursework sessions (including laboratory and non-laboratory based exercises & tutorials) and directed study.

**Indicative Student Workload**

	Full Time	Part Time
Contact Hours	75	N/A
Non-Contact Hours	225	N/A
Placement/Work-Based Learning Experience [Notional] Hours	N/A	N/A
TOTAL	300	N/A
Actual Placement hours for professional, statutory or regulatory body		

**ASSESSMENT PLAN**

If a major/minor model is used and box is ticked, % weightings below are indicative only.

**Component 1**

Type:	Examination	Weighting:	50%	Outcomes Assessed:	1, 3
Description:	Closed book written examination				

**Component 2**

Type:	Coursework	Weighting:	50%	Outcomes Assessed:	2, 4
Description:	Group based scientific report				

**MODULE PERFORMANCE DESCRIPTOR****Explanatory Text**

Component 1 (EX1) comprises 50% of the module grade. A minimum of a Grade D or better is required to pass this assessment. Component 2 (CW1) comprises 50% of the module grade. A minimum of a Grade D or better is required to pass this assessment. Overall Grade D or better is required to pass this module. Non-submission of either component will result in an NS grade for the module.

		Examination:						NS
		A	B	C	D	E	F	
Coursework:	A	A	A	B	B	E	E	
	B	A	B	B	C	E	E	
	C	B	B	C	C	E	E	
	D	B	C	C	D	E	E	
	E	E	E	E	E	E	F	
	F	E	E	E	E	F	F	
NS		Non-submission of work by published deadline or non-attendance for examination						

**Module Requirements**

Prerequisites for Module	Successful completion of MPharm Stage 1 or equivalent.
Corequisites for module	None.
Precluded Modules	None.

**INDICATIVE BIBLIOGRAPHY**

- 1 AULTON, M.E. ed., 2022. *Aulton's Pharmaceutics: The Design and Manufacture of Medicines*. Sixth edition. Edinburgh: Churchill Livingstone.
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- 3 FLORENCE, A.T. and ATTWOOD, D., 2016. *Physicochemical Principles of Pharmacy*. Sixth edition. London: Pharmaceutical Press.
- 4 MOYNIHAN, H. & CREAN, A., 2009. *The Physicochemical Basis of Pharmaceuticals*. First edition. Oxford: Oxford University Press.