

MODULE DESCRIPTOR

Module Title

Nutrigenetics And Molecular Nutrition

Reference	PL4007	Version	3
Created	July 2024	SCQF Level	SCQF 10
Approved	June 2022	SCQF Points	15
Amended	August 2024	ECTS Points	7.5

Aims of Module

To provide students with the ability to evaluate the effects of nutritional factors on gene expression at the cellular level, the effect of genetic polymorphisms on the response to nutritional factors, how nutrient-gene interactions affect the organism and the impact these interactions have on health at the organismal and population level.

Learning Outcomes for Module

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

- 1 Critique the principles, proposed mechanisms and effects of nutrients on gene expression.
- 2 Discuss the impact of inheritance and polymorphisms in modifying the response to nutritional factors and the diet.
- 3 Discuss critically the impact that nutrient-gene interactions have in relation to health and disease.

Indicative Module Content

Regulation of gene expression: replication; transcription; translation; cell-cycle control; signal transduction; transcription factors; transcriptional processing; up-regulation; down regulation; histones; DNA repair; mitochondrial DNA; epigenetics; acetylation; methylation; genomic stability; nutrient-sensitive response elements; non-coding RNAs; apoptic genes; oncogenes; nutrient- and diet-related congenital disorders; nutrient-sensitive polymorphic genes; nutrient-gene interactions; personalized nutrition.

Module Delivery

Theoretical material is delivered by lectures and tutorials.

Indicative Student Workload

	Full Time	Part Time
Contact Hours	30	N/A
Non-Contact Hours	120	N/A
Placement/Work-Based Learning Experience [Notional] Hours	N/A	N/A
TOTAL	150	N/A
<i>Actual Placement hours for professional, statutory or regulatory body</i>		

ASSESSMENT PLAN

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

Component 1

Type:	Practical Exam	Weighting:	100%	Outcomes Assessed:	1, 2, 3
Description:	Oral Presentation				

MODULE PERFORMANCE DESCRIPTOR**Explanatory Text**

Component 1 (PE1) comprises 100% of the module grade. A minimum of Module Grade D is required to pass the module. Non-submission will result in an NS grade.

Module Grade	Minimum Requirements to achieve Module Grade:
A	A
B	B
C	C
D	D
E	E
F	F
NS	Non-submission of work by published deadline or non-attendance for examination

Module Requirements

Prerequisites for Module	None, in addition to SCQF level 10 entry requirements or equivalent
Corequisites for module	None.
Precluded Modules	None.

INDICATIVE BIBLIOGRAPHY

- 1 BERDANIER, C.D. and BERDANIER, L., 2019. *Advanced Nutrition: macronutrients, micronutrients and metabolism*. 2nd edition. Boca Raton, Fla: Taylor and Francis Ltd.
- 2 BERDANIER, C.B. and MOUSTAID-MOUSSA, N., 2019. *Genomics and Proteomics in Nutrition*. 2nd edition. Boca Raton, Fla: Taylor and Francis Ltd.
- 3 CATERINA, R. De, MARTINEZ, J.A. and KOHLMEIER, M, 2019. *Principles of Nutrigenetics and Nutrigenomics: Fundamentals of Individualized Nutrition*. 1st edition. London: Academic Press.
- 4 KOK, F, BOUWMAN, L and DESIERE, F., 2019. *Personalized Nutrition: Principles and Applications*. 1st edition. Boca Raton, Fla: Taylor and Francis Ltd.
- 5 Detailed reading lists (including papers published in scientific journals) will be provided by academic staff.