

CELLULAR BASIS OF DISEASE – BISC 479 – FALL 2019
Lecture: Tu & Th 1:30–2:45 pm SHOEMAKER Room 408
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Communication:

E-Mail Is the most reliable means of getting me a message.

Social Media Nope

Phone Feel free to call but do NOT leave me a message. If I am free in my office I will gladly pick up but I do NOT replay my messages.

Office Hours Monday	12:00 pm to 1:00 pm
Tuesday	3:00 pm to 4:00 pm
Wednesday	12:00 pm to 1:00 pm

Drop-in Feel free to drop by my office after 1:00 on M/W/F or after 3:00 on Tu/Th. If I am there and free I would be delighted to talk with you. If I am in the middle of something I will set up a time to talk.

Appointment Send me an e-mail with the dates/times you can come by and I will reserve you that time.

Mail Box Do NOT leave materials or assignments for me in the departmental mailboxes; I will not get them in a timely fashion. To drop off assignments when I am not in, slide the pages under my office door.

Blackboard I use Blackboard to communicate with the class as a whole. This includes messages, powerpoint lecture slides, homework assignments and test scores.

Course Description: This course is designed for upperclassmen from the basic science departments who have established a strong foundational understanding of the composition, structures and functions of mammalian eukaryotic cells. The primary intent of the course is to broaden and deepen each student's understanding and appreciation of the anatomy and physiology of mammalian eukaryotic cells. The secondary intent of the course is to learn what changes occur at the cellular level if the normal composition, structure or function is disrupted and how those cellular alterations lead to disease states at the tissue, organ and organism levels. While the diagnosis and treatment of some of the diseases being covered may be touched upon, those points are well beyond the scope of this course.

The course will predominantly utilize a READ-DESCRIBE-DISCUSS-RECALL format. Prior to each class its students will read articles about the physiology of a specific cellular structure, function or component and the pathophysiologic conditions or diseases that develop when the specific structure, function or component is disrupted. These will be primarily review articles and, occasionally, peer-reviewed primary research articles. Alternatively, a short list of topics will be provided. In these cases, students should investigate those topics prior to the next class.

The course will be segregated into three sections. The first section will explore the changes in cell behavior when the cellular physiology is altered and the diseases that arise within an individual after the cellular physiology is altered. The cellular alterations can come at different levels of organization., ranging from imbalances in trace elements to modification of macromolecules to altered cell-cell interactions.

The second section focuses on the cellular pathophysiology of obesity, cholesterol and coronary heart disease (CHD). CHD is the leading cause of death in the US. Consequently, the cellular factors responsible for CHD will be investigated. The spectrum of contributing factors include those that are genetic, epigenetic, environmental and immune in nature. This section seeks to understand the cellular underpinnings of CHD.

The third section turns to infectious diseases, how the immune system has evolved to counter the effect of pathogens and the self-inflicted diseases that develop when the immune system is errantly regulated.

Learning Objectives:

After completing this course a student should:

- have markedly elevated their working knowledge of the physiology of mammalian cells
- have gained an appreciation for how changes in the composition or structure of mammalian cells can result in altered cell function
- have gained an understanding for how modifications at the cellular level can produce changes at the tissue level and disease at the organism level
- have improved their scientific writing skills
- have practiced their *critical thinking* skills

Texts and Reading:

There is NO primary textbook that is required.

PDF files of review articles (main reading material), primary research articles from peer-reviewed journals &/or other reading materials will be posted on Blackboard a minimum of two days prior to the day that material is to be presented in class. To MAXIMIZE the value of our lecture time, reading materials should be read BEFORE class. You will be asked to self-report at the start of each lecture if you read the assigned reading material.

Access to a Cell and Molecular Biology text is very likely to increase the depth, rate and efficiency that the topics are studied and mastered. Examples of three excellent textbooks to consider are listed below; any one of the three will fit the bill. If you need to borrow a Cell/Molecular Biology textbook, I have some that you may use on a short term basis (so everyone can get access). Come by after class or during office hours to borrow one and return it in a day or two.

Molecular Biology of the Cell, 6th edition, Alberts et al. (ISBN 9780815344322)

Molecular Cell Biology 7th edition, Lodish et al.

Karp's Cell & Molecular Biology, 8th edition, Iwasa and Wallace.

GRADING

Attendance	20%	or	20 pts
Preparation	10%	or	10 pts
Participation	20%	or	20 pts
Lecture Leader	20%	or	20 pts
Journal	20%	or	20 pts
Final	10%	or	10 pts
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TOTAL			100 pts

ATTENDANCE

Students will sign in at the start of class

* for the first 4 absences, 1 pt will be docked from the total points

* for each subsequent absence, 2 pts will be docked

* 10 absences = 20 points

* >10 absences: cannot earn a passing grade

* excused absences do not count as a missed class

(students MUST attend at least one class in the first two weeks or be dropped from the class)

PREPARATION

Students will note on the sign in sheet if they read the assigned material

Students will be on the Honor system

* for the first 4 missed preparations, 1 pt will be docked from the total points

* a maximum of 10 pts can be lost

PARTICIPATION

at the end of the semester the instructor will assign a *participation* score

* maximum of 20 pts

LECTURE LEADER

Students will be paired up at random

Pairs will submit (3) topics from the syllabus they would enjoy leading

- dates may be movable

- they should be submitted in order of preference

Pairs will meet with the instructor twice in the week prior to their leading

Student-Pairs will actively help lead the lecture they are assigned to

Each Student-Pair will lead the group once during the semester

* the instructor will evaluate the total performance

* a maximum of 20 pts can be earned

JOURNAL

Students will keep an Electronic Journal

Entries will be made following each lecture period

Entries will include:

Abstract (150-250 words) reporting main story line and key points

Answer any questions that are specifically posed

Perform any project assigned

Journals will be e-mailed during the semester upon request

Completed journals will be submitted prior to the Final Exam

* a maximum of 20 pts can be earned

FINAL

Format: Read a manuscript/text that is provided

Analyze the data and information

Write a report/Answer questions

* a maximum of 10 pts can be earned

CELLULAR BASIS OF DISEASE *(tentative schedule)*

Date	Topic
Tu 8/27 <i>WEEK 1-1</i>	Course Overview; Genesis of Disease States
Th 8/29 <i>WEEK 1-2</i>	Review of Mammalian Cell Structures and Functions
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Tu 9/3 <i>WEEK 2-1</i>	Diseases arise during imbalance of specific Elements * Fe (iron): hemoglobin, binding O ₂ anemia and haemochromatosis * I (iodine) T ₃ and T ₄ thyroid hormones; regulating metabolism goiter; endemic cretinism
Th 9/5 <i>WEEK 2-2</i>	Diseases arise from errant or absent molecules <i>Essential amino acids</i> <i>Essential fatty acids</i> Vitamins (e.g. A, C, D, Folic Acid, K)
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Tu 9/10 <i>WEEK 3-1</i>	Diseases arise from errant macromolecules: DNA and Genetic Diseases
Th 9/12 <i>WEEK 3-2</i>	Diseases arise from errant macromolecules: DNA and Cancer
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Tu 9/17 <i>WEEK 4-1</i>	Diseases arise from errant macromolecules: Protein synthesis, QC, turnover
Th 9/19 <i>WEEK 4-2</i>	Diseases arise from errant macromolecules: Protein accumulation <ul style="list-style-type: none">• beta-amyloidosis• Lewy bodies and Alzheimers• Alpha-synucleins and Parkinson's• PrP and prions
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Tu 9/24 <i>WEEK 5-1</i>	Uptake and Delivery of Lipids and Cholesterol * Physiology of phosphoglycerides, sphingolipids and cholesterol <ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Enterocyte uptake: cholesterol transporter○ Vascular transport: LDL and HDL micelles○ Cellular uptake: LDL receptor (receptor mediated endocytosis) <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Physiology of free FA, monoacyl glyderides, triacylglycerides
Th 9/26 <i>WEEK 5-2</i>	Diseases arise from errant macromolecules: Lipids and Cholesterol * Sphingolipids: Tay-Sachs, Niemann-Pick <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Cholesterol: Coronary Heart Disease<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Familial Hypercholesterolemia○ Obesity
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Tu 10/1	Diseases arise from Obesity

- WEEK 6-1
- * energy storage: biochemistry
 - energy storage: cell Biology
 - excess adipose tissue, chronic inflammation and type II diabetes

- Th 10/3
WEEK 6-2
- Diseases arise from errant transmembrane transport
- * ion channels, transporters and pumps
 - driving forces, Nernst Eqn
 - pulmonary fluid secretion: CFTR Cl⁻ channels; cystic fibrosis
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- Tu 10/8
WEEK 7-1
- Diseases arise from errant cell-cell contact; Adherens Junctions
- * Cell adhesion, cadherins, β-catenin and EMT
 - β-catenin and colon cancer
 - E-cadherin and EMT

- Th 10/10
WEEK 7-2
- Diseases arise from errant cell-cell contact; Tight Junctions
- * 'Gate' and 'Fence' functions; claudins, junctional adhesion molecules, occludins
 - claudins and hypomagnesemia
 - claudins and deafness
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- Tu 10/15
WEEK 8-1
- Diseases arise from errant cell-cell contact: Desmosomes
- * tethers and mechanically links mechanical
 - epidermis pemphigus vulgaris (auto-immune)

- Th 10/17
WEEK 8-2
- Diseases arise in the cytoskeleton: Intermediate Filaments
- * keratins *Bullous Simplex Butterfly children* (genetic)
 - lamins *laminopathies*
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- Tu 10/22
WEEK 9-1
- Diseases arise in the cytoskeleton: Actin
- * structural support of the plasma membrane
 - tracks for motor proteins
 - myosins: actin motor proteins
 - myosin mutations, Hair Cells, deafness
 - Wiscott-Aldridge Syndrome protein

- Th 10/24
WEEK 9-2
- Diseases arise in the cytoskeleton: Microtubules
- * Motile and Primary Cilia
 - Ciliopathies: *inversin*
 - Ciliopathies: *ADPKD, ARPKD*
 - Ciliopathies: *Kartagener's Disease*
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- Tu 10/29
WEEK 10-1
- Apoptosis
- * Programmed cell death
 - Syndactyly
 - Canale-Smith syndrome

- Th 10/31
- Cell Signaling: coordinating the responses to *hypoxia*

- WEEK 10-2 * Immediate-local: nitric oxide
- *long-term-local: HIF1a – VEGF – increased neo-vascularization
- *immediate-systemic: increased lung tidal volumes and rates
increased cardiac output
- *long term systemic increased hematocrit
- *lifetimes-systemic: Andes adaptations vs Himalayas adaptations

- Tu 11/05 Erythrocytes
WEEK 11-1 * Hemoglobin: Sickle Cell Anemia
* Spectrin cytoskeleton: Spherocytosis & Elliptocytosis

- Th 11/07 Retina: Pigmented Epithelial Cells
WEEK 11-2 Support the rods and cone cells
- Retinitis Pigmentosa: blindness following loss of RPE cells
 - Stem cell therapy

- Tu 11/12 Infectious Diseases
WEEK 12-1
- * Viruses *ex influenza*
 - Bacteria *ex. Helicobacter pylori*
 - Parasites (helminthes or worms): *ex. Hook worm*
 - Parasites (protozoa): *ex. Giardia*
 - Fungi, yeasts, mold *ex.*
 - Prions *ex. PrP*
- Toxins and Poisons
 - Cancer cells

- Th 11/14 Immune responses vs alternative infectious agents
WEEK 12-2
- * Innate immune responses
 - macrophage
 - neutrophils
 - eosinophils
 - mast cells
 - basophils
 - natural killer cells
 - dendritic cells
 - Adaptive immune responses
 - B cells
 - T cells

- Tu 11/19 Diseases due to Inappropriate Immune Responses
WEEK 13-1
- * Excessive responses
 - Hypersensitivity responses
 - Chronic inflammatory responses
 - Auto-immune responses
 - Insufficient responses (immune deficiencies)
 - Primary (inherited) >150 identified
 - Secondary (acquires)

Th 11/21	Diabetes	(root: siphon or pass through)
WEEK 13-2	Mellitis	(root: honeyed or sweet)
	Inspidus	(root: without taste)
	• Diabetes Mellitis (Type I)	auto-immunity vs pancreatic beta cells
	(Type II)	loss of insulin receptor signaling
	• Diabetes Insipidus	loss of ADH receptor signaling
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Tu 11/26	Thanksgiving Break	
	• Pursue the elusive whitetail	
Th 11/28	Thanksgiving Day	
	• Eat turkey, Beat State	
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Tu 12/3	Diseases of Development	
WEEK 14-1		
Th 12/5	Cellular basis of AGING	
WEEK 14-2		
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Th 12/10	FINAL EXAM	

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Academic Integrity: Any form of misconduct -- cheating, plagiarism, fabrication -- will not be tolerated and may subject violators to a failing grade in the course.

This syllabus is subject to change at the discretion of the instructor to accommodate instructional, and/or student needs.