





COURSE SPECIFICATION

Histochemistry

Faculty of Medicine-Mansoura University

(A) Administrative information

(1) Programme offering the course:	Master degree of Histology & Cytology	
(2) Department offering the programme:	Histology & Cell biology	
(3) Department responsible for teaching the course:	Histology & Cell biology	
(4) Part of the programme:	First part	
(5) Date of approval by the Department's council	28/2/2018	
(6) Date of last approval of programme specification by Faculty council		
(7) Course title:	Histochemistry	
(8) Course code:	HIST 502 HI	
(9) Course credits:	4 hours + 2 practical	
(10) Total teaching hours:	60 lectures-60 practical	

(B) Professional information

(1) Course Aims:

The broad aims of the course are as follows:

The aim of this course is to prepare the candidate to be professional in the field of Histochemistry through increasing his/ her awareness about:

- 1. The principles of specific stains of Histochemistry.
- 2. The preparation of the stains of Histochemistry.
- 3. The cell reaction in Histochemistry.
- 4. Cell related changes in the reactions for the Histochemistry stains.

(2) Intended Learning Outcomes (ILOs):

Intended learning outcomes (ILOs); Are four main categories: knowledge & understanding to be gained, intellectual qualities, professional/practical and transferable skills. On successful completion of the course, the candidate will be able to:

A- Knowledge and Understanding

- A 1 Recognize the normal structure and function of the cells through its reactions in histochemistry stains
- A 2 Describe different patterns of cell reactions in histochemistry stains.
- A 3 Discuss the process of cell reactions in different physiological and pathological conditions
- A 4 Recognize various techniques to study certain specific tissues as bone.
- B1 Relate the histochemical staining findings to the function of the cell.
- B2 Integrate the histochemical staining pattern with clinical data.

C- Professional/practical skills

- C 1 Examine the normal tissue reaction of the body cells at the histochemistry level
- C 2 Perform tests showing the histochemical and cellular mechanisms.

D-Communication & Transferable skills

D 1 Work in team.

D 2 Communicate and use internet.

(3) Course content: A- Theoretical Module:

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Subjects	Lectures
CONNECTIVE TISSUE STAINS	4
CONNECTIVE TISSUE STAINS	2
• SPECIMEN PREPARATION FOR ENZYME	2
HISTOCHEMISTRY	
CONNECTIVE TISSUE STAINS	2 2
TYPES OF HISTOCHEMICAL REACTIONS	_
MUCINS STAINS	2
THE USE OF CONTROLS IN FOR ENZYME	2
HISTOCHEMISTRY	
GLYCOGEN STAINS	4
• LIPIDS	4
PROTEINS AND NUCLEIC ACIDS	2
• BONE	2
DECALCIFICATION OF BONE	2
HISTOCHEMISTRY OF BONE AND CARTILAGE	2
NEUROENDOCRINE	4
TECHNIQUES IN NEUROPATHOLOGY	2

PIGMENTS & MINERALS	2
• AMYLOID	2
CYTOP ASMIC GRANULES, AND ORGANELLES	4
ACID AND ALKALINE PHOSPHATASES	2
SUCCINIC DEHYDROGENASE, ESTERASE	2
STAINS	2
ATPASE, NADH DIAPHORASE STAINS	
ENZYME HISTOCHEMICAL TECHNIQUES FOR	2
MUSCLE	
DIAGNOSTIC APPLICATIONS OF ENZYME	6
HISTOCHEMISTRY	
Total	4

B-Practical Module:

Subjects	Practical
Performing connective tissue stains (Trichrome, Azan, crosirius Red, Silver, Gordon And Sweet, Van Gieson, Verhoeff-Van Gieson, Orcein Stains)	12
Performing mucins stains (Alcian Blue, pH 2.5, 1.0 & Alcian Blue/PAS& High Iron Diamine—Alcian Blue Stains)	4
Performing Glycogen stains(Periodic Acid Schiff's, Periodic Acid Schiff's with Diastase, Best's carmine Stains)	4
Performing Lipids stains(Sudan III, IV, Sudan black B, Blue B.Z.L. Nile blue, osmium tetroxide and Oil red 0).	4
Performing proteins &nucleic acids stains(Trichrome methods Reticulin methods, Feulgen's, Methyl Green Pyronin Stains)	4
Performing Bone stains (Heidenain 's iron hematoxylin and Mallory 's phosphotungstic acid hematoxylin	4
Pigment & minerals staining (Perl's iron, Rhodanine, Von Kossa, Gomori's Methenamine Silver, Fontana-Masson Silver, phloxine tartrtrazine, Stains)	4
Satining of Cytoplasmic granules & organelles(toluidine blue, Silver, Gordon And Sweet, phloxine tartrtrazine, Champy-Kull Altmann acidfuchsin picric acid, Heidenhain 's iron hematoxylin Stains	4
Perform enzyme histochemical staining:alkaline phosphatase ATPase, acid phosphatase and succinic dehydrogenase	8
Staining of Amyloids (iodine and metachromasia)	4

Staining of Neuroendocrine system (Periodic acid-Schiff-orunge G	4
technique, OFG method OFG of 'the anterior pituitary, aldehyde fuchsin,	
Performs techniques in neuropathology (Cresyl fast violet (Nissl),	4
Bielschowsky's silver, Marsland and, Glees & Erikson's method for axons	
stains).	
Total	60

(4) Teaching methods:

- 4.1: Lectures
- **4.2:** Practical sessions (microscopic analysis of slides consisting of human and animal tissues and organs stained histochemically)
- **4.3:** Self learning (internet search for specific topics)

(5) Assessment methods:

- **5.1: Written exam for assessment of A1-4**, B1, B2
- **5.2: OSPE for assessment of** A1-4, B1, B2, C1, 2
- **5.3: Structured oral exam for assessment of** A1-4, B1,2
- 5.4 :MCQ exam or assessment of A1-4, B1,2

Percentage of each assessment to the total mark:

Written exam: 144 marks - MCQ: 36 marks

OSPE: : 60 marks

Structured oral exam:: 60 marks

(6) References of the course:

6.1: Hand books: Histology and cell biology department book

6.2: Text books: Bancroft

6.3: Journals: Histology & histochemistry journal, Cell, Cell biology,

Science, Egyptian Journal of Histology and Cytology

6.4: Websites: http://www.lab.anhb.uwa.edu.au/mb140/,

http://www.histology-world.com/stains/stains.htm,

http://www.bu.edu/histology/m/index.htm, http://www.uni-

mainz.de/FB/Medizin/Anatomie/workshop/EM/EMAtlas.html

(7) Facilities and resources mandatory for course completion:

Data show for power point presentations

Laboratories

Library

Computers

Microscopes

Course coordinator: Dr. Samar A. Asker

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