



COURSE UNIT DESCRIPTION

Course unit title	Code
Critical Care Medicine, Transfusiology and Toxicology (2023-2024)	

Lecturer(s)	Department(s)
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Cycle	Level of the course unit	Type of the course unit
First cycle (integrated studies)		Compulsory

Mode of delivery	Period of delivery	Language of instruction
Face-to-face, lectures and seminars in the auditorium, practice in the operating theatre, intensive care unit and simulator class.	Year V, semester X	Lithuanian, English

Prerequisites and corequisites	
Prerequisites: A student must have completed the following courses: human anatomy, human physiology, pharmacology, pathology, general surgery, general medicine (propedeutics) and patient care, anaesthesiology and reanimatology.	Corequisites (if any): NONE

Number of ECTS credits allocated to the course unit	Total student's workload	Contact hours	Self-study hours
5	134	66	68

Purpose of the course unit Programme competences to be developed		
The purpose of the course is to teach the aethiology, pathophysiology and diagnosis making in critical states and intoxications, also the principles of management, treatment and prophylaxis. Graduates should be trained to diagnose and treat the critical states and intoxications, the patient in shock, acute respiratory failure, severe trauma and coma, also evaluate the vital signs, the severity and life threatening aspects of these cases, and provide resuscitation when needed.		
Learning outcomes of the course unit	Teaching and learning methods	Assessment methods
General competence acquired by the student during the course:		
Be honest and behave according to the basic ethical principles, be critical and self-critical in decision-making, be creative, show initiative at work and focus on the main purposes, also being good member of the team.	Practical training in the intensive care unit, also in the mannequin-simulator class.	Continuous evaluation of knowledge and skills achieved in the intensive care unit and mannequin-simulator class.
To analyze and systemize the gained information and knowledge, be able to seek for additional information on his	Practical training in the intensive	Continuous evaluation of knowledge and skills achieved

own, be able to apply his knowledge in clinical practice, and know the limits of his competence and seek for help from colleagues in a timely manner, solve the problems and make decisions, communicate with experts from other specialties.	care unit, also in the mannequin simulator class.	in the intensive care unit and mannequin-simulator class.
Specialty competence acquired by the student during the course:		
Basic evaluation and consulting of the critically-ill patient, recognizing the life-threatening arrhythmias, also deterioration of breathing and circulation.	Analysis and discussion of the clinical cases in the intensive care unit.	Seminars for continuous evaluation of knowledge and skills achieved in intensive care and simulator class. Exam in writing at the end of course.
Evaluation of clinical condition and diagnosing the life-threatening states, determining indications for intensive care, determining the plan of diagnostic evaluation and care, perform the differential diagnosis in cases of acute respiratory failure, shock and coma.	Practical training in the intensive care unit, also in the mannequin-simulator classes.	Continuous evaluation of knowledge and skills achieved in the intensive care unit and mannequin-simulator classes, also during analysis of clinical cases.
Skills in application of the evidence-based clinical judgment in the diagnosis-making and treatment, also in discussing the clinical cases.	Practical training in the intensive care unit, also in the mannequin-simulator classes and workshop-stations, lectures.	Continuous evaluation of knowledge and skills achieved in the intensive care unit, also during analysis of clinical cases. Exam in writing at the end of course.
Understanding the principles of efficient medical communication with patient and his relatives.	Practical training in the intensive care unit.	Continuous evaluation of knowledge and skills achieved in the intensive care unit, also during analysis of clinical cases.
Take appropriate care of medical documentation and its storage, also be IT fluent, be able to obtain and manage the up-to-date specialty information resources, make digital posters and presentations.	Seminars, practical training in the intensive care unit, and self-education.	Continuous evaluation of knowledge and skills achieved in the intensive care unit, also during analysis of clinical cases.

Topics	Contact work hours							Time and tasks of self-study	
	Lectures	Consultations	Seminars	Practice	Laboratory work	Practical training	Total contact hours	Self-education	Tasks
Basic and advanced life support, defibrillation, cardioversion, electrical heart pacing, related medication and post-heart-arrest syndrome. Critical care pharmacotherapy. Resuscitation in the hospital	2			2			4	4	Prepare about resuscitation, also algorithms of basic and advanced life support, and principles of post-resuscitation patient care, also the basics of training on mannequins.
Acute and chronic pain.	2		1	2			5	5	Prepare about pathophysiology of pain, differences between the acute and chronic pain, the WHO guidelines for the medications in pain treatment, also methods of interventional pain management, and

									organization of pain treatment institutions.	
<i>Gastrointestinal failure in the ICU</i> Enteral and parenteral nutrition: evaluating the deterioration of and individual needs for nutrition, setting the nutrition-plan, and its specifics in different critical states of patients. Gastrointestinal failure, intraabdominal hypertension			3	2				5	5	Prepare about the administration of enteral and parenteral nutrition: basics of metabolism in critically-ill, indications for enteral and parenteral nutrition, related contraindications and complications, the nutrition-plan and its context-sensitive specifics in association with different pathological states such as sepsis and others.
<i>Urogenital system</i> Acute renal failure, renal replacement therapy. Infusion and transfusion therapy	1		1	2				4	4	Prepare about physiology of body fluid handling, evaluation of fluid deficits, specifics of the content and action of different intravenous solutions (crystalloids and colloids), indications and procedures of blood component transfusion, complications and specific considerations during massive haemorrhage. Renal replacement therapy during acute renal failure
Bleeding, shock. Transfusion therapy. Polytrauma.	2		1	1				4	4	Prepare about shock classification, diagnosis-making, patterns of hemodynamics and principles of their evaluation in systemic and regional circulation, also the treatment of shock including the plan for infusion therapy, on the diagnostic and treatment priorities in trauma patient, also the principles of related intensive therapy measures.
Systems for evaluation of the patient. Indications for treatment in the ICU. Ethics. End-of-life decisions			2	1				3	3	Prepare about the structure of intensive care unit, requirements for the ICU personnel, indications for treatment in and discharge from the ICU, specifics and ethical considerations in dealing with ICU patients.
Nosocomial infection	2		1	1				4	4	Prepare about origin of nosocomial (hospital-acquired) infection, mechanism of resistance to antibiotics, risk factors and prophylaxis measures in ICU, also principles of catheter care and wound treatment, and setting up the overall treatment plan.
Infection, sepsis and organ dysfunction	2		1	1				4	4	Prepare about diagnosis-making in sepsis and multiple organ dysfunction, also infection related laboratory analyses, the plan of treatment and selection

									of appropriate antibiotic therapy.	
<i>Respiratory system</i> Acute respiratory failure: evaluation, oxygen therapy and monitoring. Methods for the mechanical ventilation of lungs.			2	1				3	3	Prepare about acute respiratory failure, the related diagnosis-making and treatment, oxygen therapy and evaluation of breathing, methods of mechanical ventilation of lungs
Cardiovascular dysfunction, diagnosis and treatment	2		2	3				7	7	Prepare about pathophysiology of cardiovascular dysfunction, shock, diagnosis, also monitoring and treatment modes.
<i>Central nervous system</i> Coma; seizures; stroke. Main principles of neuroprotection. Severe brain injury	1		3	2				6	6	Prepare about principles of neuroprotection, coma, differential diagnosis, treatment
Classification of toxins and intoxications, stratification of severity, the diagnosis-making, also the main principles and methods of treatment. Forms of prevention measures and information management.	2		2	3				7	7	Prepare about toxins, mechanisms of their action, administration of antidotes, measures of primary care and principles of xenobiotics metabolism.
Intoxicating substances: medications and drugs, organic substances, toxic gases, methemoglobin creating substances and others.			2	3				5	5	Prepare about most common intoxications and principles of the primary care and treatment.
Presentation and analysis of clinical case			5					5	7	To prepare the presentation of the clinical case according to the topic given in advance by the teacher.
Total	16		26	24				66	68	

Assessment strategy	Weight (%)	Assessment period	Assessment criteria
Examination	100 %	According to the schedule	<p>The test is composed of 65 questions (of different complexity, from understanding to assessment). The assessment is as follows:</p> <p>10 (Excellent): Excellent performance, outstanding knowledge and skills. 95-100 % correct answers.</p> <p>9 (Very good): Strong performance, good knowledge and skills 85-94 % correct answers.</p> <p>8 (Good): Above the average performance, knowledge and skills 75-84 % correct answers.</p> <p>7 (Highly satisfactory): Average performance, knowledge and skills with unessential shortcomings 65-74 % correct answers.</p> <p>6 (Satisfactory): Below average performance, knowledge and skills with substantial shortcomings. 55-64 % correct answers.</p> <p>5 (Sufficient): Knowledge and skills meet minimum criteria. 45-54 % correct answers.</p> <p>4, 3, 2, 1 (Insufficient): Knowledge and skills do not meet minimum criteria/below minimum criteria. 0-44 % correct answers. Failed.</p>

Author	Year of publication	Title	No of periodical or vol. of publication	Publication place and publisher or Internet link
Required reading				
<i>European Resuscitation Council</i>	2021	<i>Resuscitation guidelines</i>		https://cprguidelines.eu
	2016	<i>Guidelines for the Management of Severe Traumatic Brain Injury 4th Edition, 2016</i>		
	2015	<i>Practice Guidelines for Perioperative Blood Management</i> <i>An Updated Report by the American Society of Anesthesiologists</i> <i>Task Force on Perioperative Blood Management</i>		http://www.asahq.org
	2021	<i>Surviving Sepsis Campaign: International Guidelines for Management of Severe Sepsis and Septic Shock 2021</i>		https://www.sccm.org/Clinical-Resources/Guidelines/Guidelines/Surviving-Sepsis-Guidelines-2021
<i>S.A. McClave et al.</i>	2016	<i>Guidelines for the Provision and Assessment of Nutrition Support Therapy in the Adult Critically Ill Patient: Society of Critical Care Medicine (SCCM) and American Society for Parenteral and Enteral Nutrition (A.S.P.E.N.). Journal of Parenteral and Enteral Nutrition (2016) 40 (2): 159 – 211.</i>		http://pen.sagepub.com/content/40/2/159.full.pdf+html
<i>Singer P, Blaser AR, Berger MM</i>	2019	<i>ESPEN guideline on clinical nutrition in the intensive care unit. Clinical Nutrition 38 (2019) 48-79.</i>		
	2015	<i>Critical Care Handbook of the Massachusetts General Hospital, 6th edition, Lippincott Williams & Wilkins</i>		
<i>M Tubaro, P Vranckx, S Price</i>	2021	The ESC Textbook of Intensive and Acute Cardiovascular Care SECTION VII Acute heart failure (including cardiogenic shock)		Oxford University Press
<i>Blaser AR, Starkopf J, Alhazzani W.</i>	2017	<i>Early enteral nutrition in critically ill patients: ESICM clinical practice guidelines. Intensive Care Med (2017) 43:380–398</i>		

<i>Jean-Louis Vincent, Frederick Moore and Mitchell Fink</i>	2017	<i>Textbook of Critical Care</i>		https://www.clinicalkey.com
<i>Andrew Bersten and Jonathan Handy</i>	2019	<i>Oh's Intensive Care Manual</i>		https://www.clinicalkey.com
<i>Joseph E Parrillo and R. Phillip</i>	2019	<i>Critical Care Medicine: Principles of Diagnosis and Management in the Adult, Fifth Edition.</i>		https://www.clinicalkey.com
<i>Lee Goldman, Andrew I. Schafer</i>	2020	<i>Goldman-Cecil Medicine, Twenty Sixth Edition</i>		https://www.clinicalkey.com
<i>John A. Myburgh et al.</i>	2013	<i>Resuscitation Fluids</i>	<i>N Engl J Med</i> 2013; 369:1243-1251	DOI:10.1056/NEJMr1208627
<i>Andrew Baker, Richard Green</i>	2010	<i>Renal replacement therapy tutorial of the week 194</i>		https://resources.wfsahq.org/atotw/renal-replacement-therapy-in-critical-care/
<i>Olson KR, Anderson IB, Benowitz NL, Blanc PD, Clark RF, Kearney TE, Kim-Katz SY, Wu AB.</i>	2018	<i>Poisoning & Drug Overdose, 7e. McGraw Hill</i>		https://accessmedicine.mhmedical.com/content.aspx?bookid=2284&sectionid=177337361
<i>Jennifer Lee</i>	2021	<i>ICU Quick Drug Guide, 1st Edition</i>		https://www.clinicalkey.com
<i>John Toffaletti</i>	2021	<i>Blood Gases and Critical Care Testing, 3rd edition.</i>		https://www.clinicalkey.com
<i>Clifford Deutschman, Patrick Neligan</i>	2020	<i>Evidence-Based Practice of Critical Care, 3rd Edition.</i>		https://www.clinicalkey.com
<i>Honorio Benzon</i>	2023	<i>Practical Management of Pain, Sixth Edition</i>		https://www.clinicalkey.com/#/browse/book/3-s2.0-C20180021040
<i>Spahn, D.R., Bouillon, B., Cerny, V. et al.</i>	2019	<i>The European guideline on management of major bleeding and coagulopathy following trauma: fifth edition. Crit Care</i> 23, 98 (2019).		https://doi.org/10.1186/s13054-019-2347-3