



COURSE UNIT (MODULE) DESCRIPTION

Course unit (module) title	Code
Polymers in pharmaceutical technologies	

Lecturer(s)	Department(s) where the course unit (module) is delivered
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Study cycle	Type of the course unit (module)
Second	Optional

Mode of delivery	Period when the course unit (module) is delivered	Language(s) of instruction
Face to face	spring	lithuanian

Requirements for students	
Prerequisites: General, analytical, inorganic, organic, polymer chemistry and biochemistry	Additional requirements (if any):

Course (module) volume in credits	Total student's workload	Contact hours	Self-study hours
5	135	64	71

Purpose of the course unit (module): programme competences to be developed		
To introduce students with polymers, which are used in pharmaceutical technologies and to develop student knowledge about polymers using in pharmaceutical technologies processes.		
Learning outcomes of the course unit (module)	Teaching and learning methods	Assessment methods
1. Students will demonstrate knowledge about polymers in pharmaceutical technologies and will know how to apply polymers in pharmaceutical technologies.	Lectures; Individual problem solving; Seminars. Textbook reading.	One self-evaluation tests (open answer questions and short answer tasks); Individual student progress and the last result will be assessed. Assessment of presentations prepared by student Final exam (includes multiple choice questions, open answer questions)
2. Students will able to classify polymers by their properties, structure, conformation and configuration. Also by synthesis type.		
3. Students will able to apply definitions and to demonstrate their knowledge about polymers, and their application in pharmaceutical technologies. Be able to analyse specific polymers, which are used in pharmaceutical methods.		
4. Students will able to value critical and reasoned the polymers relevancy in pharmaceutical processes.		
5. Students will able to plan technological process and the polymers relevancy to produce tablets, capsules, dispersants and drugs delivery technologies.		

Content: breakdown of the topics	Contact hours					Total contact hours	Self-study hours	Self-study work: time and assignments		
	Lectures	Seminars	Exercises	Laboratory work	Internship/work placement			Assignments		
1.Introduction. Concepts. History of polymers in pharmaceutical technologies.	2	2				4	7	Textbook reading.	Problem solving.	
2. Polymers and its classification, properties, structure.	4	4				8	9	Textbook reading.	Problem solving.	
3. Polymers synthesis	4	4				8	9	Textbook reading.	Problem solving.	Preparing for the seminar
4. Polymers application in pharmaceutical processes	2	2				4	5	Textbook reading.	Problem solving.	
5.Polymers application in tablets manufacturing	4	4				8	7	Textbook reading.	Problem solving.	Preparing for the seminar
6.Polymers application in coated capsules manufacturing	2	2				4	5	Textbook reading.	Problem solving.	
7. Polymers application in film coated capsules manufacturing	2	2				4	5	Textbook reading.	Problem solving.	
8.Polymres application in disepsant systems	4	4				8	8	Textbook reading.	Problem solving.	Preparing for the seminar
9.Polymers application in gel tecnology	2	2				4	4	Textbook reading.	Problem solving.	
10.Polymers application in drug delivery systems	6	6				12	12	Textbook reading.	Problem solving.	

Assessment strategy	Weight,%	Deadline	Assessment criteria
Self-evaluation test	40%	6th semester week	Open answer questions and short answer tasks. Student evaluate his test by presented grading scheme. In case of Fail, student must repeat the test.
Seminars	20%	Every 2 weeks	Preparing presentations by students
Final Exam	40%	June	Multiple choice questions, open answer questions and short answer tasks.

Author	Year of publication	Title	Issue of a periodical or volume of a publication	Publishing place and house or web link
Compulsory reading				
Vijay Kumar Thakur, Manju Kumari Thakur	2015	Handbook of Polymers for Pharmaceutical Technologies, Volume 1, Structure and Chemistry	ISBN: 978-1-119-04134-4	New Jersey, Scriver Publishing LLC, Wiley
Vijay Kumar Thakur, Manju Kumari Thakur	2015	Handbook of Polymers for Pharmaceutical Technologies, Volume 2, Processing and Application	ISBN: 978-1-119-04138-2	New Jersey, Scriver Publishing LLC, Wiley
Vijay Kumar Thakur, Manju Kumari Thakur	2015	Handbook of Polymers for Pharmaceutical Technologies, Volume 3, Biodegradable polymers	ISBN: 978-1-119-04142-9	New Jersey, Scriver Publishing LLC, Wiley
Vijay Kumar Thakur, Manju Kumari Thakur	2015	Handbook of Polymers for Pharmaceutical Technologies, Volume 4, Bioactive and Compatible Synthetic/Hybrid Polymers	ISBN: 978-1-119-04146-7	New Jersey, Scriver Publishing LLC, Wiley
J.Brandrup, Edmund H. Immergut, E. A. Grulke	2003	Polymer Handbook, 2 Volumes Set	ISBN0471479365,9780471479369	Wiley