UNIVERSIDADE DA CORUÑA

Teaching Guide				
Identifying Data				2017/18
Subject (*)	Protein Structure and Dynamics		Code	610441011
Study programme	Mestrado Universitario en Bioloxía Molecular , Celular e Xenética			
Descriptors				
Cycle	Period	Year	Type	Credits
Official Master's Degree	2nd four-month period	First	Optativa	3
Language	SpanishEnglish			
Teaching method	Face-to-face			
Prerequisites				
Department	Bioloxía			
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General description	This subject pretends to meet and manage the theoretical foundations and the experimental approaches to the analysis of the physical and chemical of biological macromolecules, especially proteins, properties in order to relate their structures with its function and biological activity. We will study the concepts needed for the description of the structures, computational and experimental methods for their study and the theoretical foundations that justify them.			

Study programme competences / results	
Code	Study programme competences / results
A3	Skills of understanding the functioning of cells through the structural organization, biochemistry, gene expression and genetic variability.
A9	Skills of understanding the structure and dynamics of proteins to individual and proteomic level, as well as the techniques that are necessary to analyze them and to study their interactions with other biomolecules.
B2	Skills of decision making for the problem solving: that are able to apply theoretical knowledges and practical acquired in the formulation of biological problems and the looking for solutions.
B3	Skills of management of the information: that are able to gather and to understand relevant information and results, obtaining conclusions and to prepare reasoned reports on scientific and biotechnological questions
B4	Organization and work planning skills: that are able to manage the use of the time as well as available resources and to organize the work in the laboratory.
C3	Skills of Using basic tools of the information technologies and communications (ICT) necessary to the exercise of his profession and for the apprenticeship over his life.
C8	Considering the importance that the investigation has, the innovation and the technological development in the socioeconomic advance and cultural of the society.

Learning outcomes			
Learning outcomes	Study programme competences / results		
Ability to understand concepts and theories related to the dynamics of proteins in cells	AR3 AR9	BR2	CC3 CC8
Familiarization with the bibliographic and information sources where you can get updated information	AR3 AR9	BR2	CC3 CC8
Know the systems for the determination of structures by x-ray diffraction	AR9	BR2	CC3 CC8
Learn different computer programs for the representation of proteins and their use	AR3 AR9	BR2	CC3 CC8
Learn the techniques to determine interactions between proteins and proteins with other biomolecules and ligands	AR3 AR9	BR4	CC8

Ability to interpret critically the data of a structure of a protein in a publication	AR3 AR9	BR3	CC3

Contents	
Topic	**Sub-topic**
Structural classification of proteins.	Structural domains of proteins. Classification of proteins according to its three-dimensional structure. Alpha proteins. Alpha/beta protein. Protein beta. Structural classes of proteins. CATH classification. SCOP classification. DALI classification. SMART classification.
Criteria for the choice of a method of purification and preliminary characterization.	Chromatographic techniques: gel filtration, ion exchange, affinity and hydrophobic interaction. Purification strategies. Preliminary characterization of the protein conformation: State of aggregation, compactness. Secondary structure and tertiary structure indicators. Quantification of proteins.
Experimental determination of the structure of proteins using diffraction X.	Crystallization techniques. Tools and strategies for diffraction data. Interpretation of the XRD. Obtaining and refinement of the molecular model. Parameters for calculating the convergence of the model. Modelling.
Interactions between biomolecules.	Interactions of proteins for the formation of complexes with proteins and other ligands. Experimental methods used to determine these interactions and their structure. The double hybrid method. The split-ubiquitin method. Pull-down. GST-Pull-down. FRET. EMSA trials. CHIP test. Other methodologies.

Planning				
Methodologies / tests	**Competencies / Results**	**Teaching hours (in-person & virtual)**	**Student?s personal work hours**	**Total hours**
Guest lecture / keynote speech	A9	14	28	42
Laboratory practice	A9 B3 B2 B4 C8	4	6	10
ICT practicals	A3 C3	2	3	5
Mixed objective/subjective test	A9	1	15.5	16.5
Personalized attention		1.5	0	1.5
(*)The information in the planning table is for guidance only and does not take into account the heterogeneity of the students.				

Methodologies	
Methodologies	**Description**
Guest lecture / keynote speech	Oral presentation complemented with the use of audiovisual media in order to pass on knowledge and facilitate learning.
Laboratory practice	Methodology that enables students to learn effectively, through practical activities (demonstrations, simulations, etc.) the theory of a field of knowledge, through the use of communications and information technologies.
ICT practicals	ICT allow display of protein structure models and design interaction experiments.
Mixed objective/subjective test	Combination of multiple choice questions and short of relationship questions

Personalized attention	
Methodologies	**Description**
Laboratory practice ICT practicals	The personalized attention that is described in relation to these methodologies are conceived as moments of face-to-face student work with the teacher by involving a compulsory student participation. Students with part-time dedication or waiver of presence should contact the teachers of the subject in the early going to establish a schedule of activities to acquire and evaluate in a complementary way the competences.

Assessment			
Methodologies	Competencies / Results	Description	Qualification
Laboratory practice	A9 B3 B2 B4 C8	Regular attendance and active participation at the laboratory practices will be evaluated.	15
Mixed objective/subjective test	A9	Test relating to knowledge and skills	75
ICT practicals	A3 C3	Attendance and active participation will be valued	10

Assessment comments
To get honours preference will be given to the students evaluated at the first opportunity in June.

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Structure): http://msd.ebi.ac.uk/services/quaternary/quaternary.html

Recommendations
Subjects that it is recommended to have taken before
Molecular Techniques/610441002 Advanced Cellular Biology/610441003
Subjects that are recommended to be taken simultaneously
Recombinant proteins and protein Engineering /610441012 Proteomics/610441013 Bioinformatics and Biomolecular models /610441020
Subjects that continue the syllabus
Project/610441022
Other comments

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