

Module Details	
Module Title	Clinical and Analytical Biochemistry
Module Code	BIS5013-B
Academic Year	2021/2
Credits	20
School	School of Chemistry and Biosciences
FHEQ Level	FHEQ Level 5

Contact Hours	
Type	Hours
Lectures	20
Online Tutorials (Synchronous)	4
Practical Classes or Workshops	5
Directed Study	160
Interactive Learning Objects	10
Tutorials	2

Availability	
Occurrence	Location / Period
BDA	University of Bradford / Semester 1

Module Aims
To develop an understanding of the biochemical causes and consequences of disease and some of the common analytical techniques used in the Biomedical Sciences. To develop skills in the use, presentation and interpretation of analytical data.

Outline Syllabus

Introduction to clinical biochemistry and external and internal standardisation; inter-laboratory standardisation. Absorbance, fluorescence, luminescence and infrared spectra. Organ function tests (e.g. liver and cardiac function tests) and diagnostic enzymology. Lipoprotein and cholesterol relationship with disease and lipoprotein analysis. Amino acids, pH and pKa. Electrophoresis techniques including isoelectric focussing and SDS PAGE. Introduction to mass spectrometry and clinical uses. Diagnosis of type I and type II Diabetes Mellitus, treatment and monitoring of the condition. Column chromatography, high performance liquid chromatography, ion exchange, exclusion and affinity chromatography. Biochemical effects of malignant disease and tumour markers. Acid base balance, electrolyte balance, parenteral fluids and nitrogen balance. Renal function. Research Methods in Clinical and Analytical Biochemistry

Learning Outcomes

Outcome Number	Description
01	Recognise and describe the principles and application of laboratory protocols relevant to a range of routine investigations and be able to analyse and evaluate the information collected (HCPC standard 14).
02	Describe and explain how a disease is caused at the biochemical level, why that causes the symptoms observed and what analytical methods are employed for diagnosis and prognosis of the patient.
03	Conduct appropriate laboratory investigations safely and skilfully.
04	Be able to audit, reflect on and review practice (HCPC standards 14, 11/12).
05	Recognise the need for effective self-management of workload and resources and be able to practise accordingly and be able to work, where appropriate, in partnership with others (HCPC standards 1, 9).
06	Be able to maintain records appropriately (HCPC 10). Establish and maintain a safe practice environment (HCPC 15) and effectively use research and reasoning to complete problem solving (HCPC standard 14).

Learning, Teaching and Assessment Strategy

Information outlining the knowledge and understanding required of this module is delivered in lectures and supplementary information in the form of quizzes and multiple choice questions is provided via the virtual learning environment (VLE) to promote autonomous learning. This information is reinforced in online workshops related to material covered in the lectures, using case studies and data analysis to develop analysis and interpretation skills. The practical sessions also provide the opportunity to gain experience in use of clinical and analytical biochemical methods and analyse and evaluate data that is summatively assessed. During directed study hours, students are expected to undertake reading to consolidate and expand on the content of formal taught sessions; research and prepare for assessments; revise material from formal taught sessions; and undertake specific elements of reading as directed. Private study will be facilitated and supported via the use of the VLE which will provide coursework advice and feedback, and revision support.

Mode of Assessment			
Type	Method	Description	Weighting
Summative	Examination - practical/laboratory	Laboratory practical - assessed online coursework test (1 Hr)	40%
Summative	Examination - MCQ	MCQ Examination (1 Hr)	30%
Summative	Short-Time Limited Online Examination	Online Exam: Calculation, data analysis and case study / applications of analytical techniques short answer qns (2 Hrs)	30%
Formative	Computerised examination	Group activities in online workshop (tutorial) sessions (LO 1, 2, 4-6) Practice Case Study	N/A

Reading List
To access the reading list for this module, please visit https://bradford.rl.talis.com/index.html

Please note:

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