LECTURES AND SEMINARS

Subject:	Clinical Biochemistry		
Study	General Medicine	Study Period:	9th semester
Evaluation:	graduated	Subject Type:	compulsory
Content:	2 h. lectures and 2 h. practical exercises / week		Total 56 hours

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Week	Lectures https://portal.lf.upjs.sk/articles.php?aid=145	Seminars https://portal.lf.upjs.sk/index-
1.	Introduction to clinical biochemistry - Clinical biochemistry as a part of laboratory medicine - Ordering and interpretation of results - reference intervals, cut-off values, biological variation, sensitivity, specificity Water balance and its disorders - Water homeostasis, regulation of ECF volume - Hyperhydration, dehydration - Osmolality, osmolarity, tonicity	 en.php?f=search&q= Sampling and interpretation of laboratory tests Biological material, sampling and manipulation in the preanalytical phase Urine and blood sampling Preanalytical factors Organizing of clinical laboratory - visit of medical laboratory
2.	Electrolytes and ions - Disturbances of plasma sodium - Disturbances of plasma potassium	Clinical case studies - Hyponatraemia, hypernatremia - Hyper/hypokalaemia - Hyper/hypochloraemia
3	 Acid-base balance Acid-base homeostasis Acute and chronic disorders - compensation and correction Metabolic and respiratory AB disorders Oxygen transport and its disorders 	 Interpretation of acid-base results in patients Systematic approach to interpretation of results Clinical case studies with metabolic and respiratory acid-base disorders
4.	 Kidney function tests Glomerular filtration rate - creatinine clearance, estimated GFR, cystatin C Proteinuria and albuminuria Haematuria Test of tubular functions - fractional excretion, concentrating test 	 Interpretation of laboratory results in patients Urinalysis, urinary sediment Proteinuria testing, types of proteinuria Laboratory findings in acute kidney injury Laboratory findings in chronic kidney disease
5.	Liver function tests - Tests for assessing of integrity of hepatocytes - Tests for cholestasis - Tests for assessing of synthetic liver function - Metabolic liver disease (Wilson's diseases, alfa1AT deficiency)	Interpretation of laboratory results in patients - Jaundice - differential diagnosis - Acute and chronic liver failure - Non-alcoholic fatty liver disease - Markers of alcohol abuse
6.	Biochemical tests in gastrointestinal disease Plasma proteins, inflammatory markers - Immunoglobulins: polyclonal and monoclonal gammapaties - Inflammation, sepsis, multiorgan failure syndrome - Biochemical markers of inflammation and sepsis	 Interpretation of laboratory results in patients Exocrine pancreas dysfunction Markers of inflammatory bowel disease Case studies - autoimmune diseases, MGUS, multiple myeloma Septic patient

7.	Diabetes mellitus Regulation of glycemia, hormones Impaired glucose and lipid handling: beta-cell dysfunction, insulin resistance, metabolic syndrome DM - diagnostic criteria and monitoring of DM - Acute and chronic complications of DM - Gestational diabetes mellitus Hypoglycaemia in diabetic and non-diabetic patients	Interpretation of laboratory results in patients: - Clinical and laboratory findings - Definition and laboratory screening - Controlled and uncontrolled DM - Diabetic ketoacidosis, hyperosmolar hyperglycaemic state
8.	 Lipids, hyperlipidaemias Basic metabolism of lipoproteins Classification of dyslipidaemias Laboratory investigation of plasma lipids - international guidelines Atherogenic dyslipidaemia Biochemical background of lipid-lowering therapy: statins, fibrates, anti PCSK9 	Clinical case studies: - Primary and secondary dyslipidaemias - Secondary hypercholesterolaemia - Mixed hyperlipidaemia - Assessing cardiovascular risk in patient
9.	 Cardiac markers Biochemical markers of myocardial necrosis Cardiac troponins - recommendation of international guidelines Diagnosis of heart failure - natriuretic peptides Biochemical risk factors of cardiovascular diseases 	 Interpretation of laboratory results in patients Dynamic changes of cardiac markers AMI- examples of findings in patients Specificity of cardiac markers Rhabdomyolysis and SIRS, muscle compartment syndrome
10.	Calcium-phosphate and magnesium balance and their disorders - Hormonal regulation - Hyper-, hypocalcemia - Hyper, hypophosphatemia - Hypo, hypermagnesemia	 Interpretation of laboratory results in patients Primary, secondary hyperparathyroidism Malignant hypercalcemia Refeeding syndrome Findings in kidney mineral and bone disease
11	 Biochemical tests in endocrinology Thyroid function tests Assessing function of adrenal gland Endocrine causes of hypertension 	 Interpretation of laboratory results in patients Hypo/hyperthyroidism Primary and sec. hyperparathyroidism Primary and secondary hyperaldosteronism
12	Laboratory markers of malignant disease - Tumour markers - Endocrine manifestation of cancer - Metabolic changes in cancer	Interpretation of laboratory results in patients - Malignant hypercalcaemia - Tumour lysis syndrome TM in monitoring of the therapy
13	Disorders of iron metabolism - Iron, metabolism and its investigation - Biochemical aspects of anemia - Laboratory signs of haemolysis - Iron overload disorders	Interpretation of laboratory results in patients - ICA, ACD - Haemolytic anaemia - Laboratory signs of haemolysis - Basic coagulation tests
14.	Hyperurikemia Biochemistry of extreme age - Laboratory findings in new-borns and small children - Laboratory findings in elderly people	Repetition: Overview of typical cases Final test