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| Subject: | <i>Fundamentals of Immunology</i> | | |
| Study Programme: | <i>GM</i> | Study Period: | <i>SS</i> |
| Evaluation: | <i>Exam, 5 credits</i> | Subject Type: | <i>obligatory</i> |
| Content: | 28/28 | | <i>Total 56</i> |

Department of Medical and Clinical Microbiology

| Week | Lectures | Practical Lessons |
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| 1. 10.2. | Introduction to Immunology - history of immunology, immune system, immune mechanisms, immune response RNDr. Marián Sabol, CSc. | Introduction to laboratory diagnostic methods of immunology. Safety in immunological laboratories. |
| 2. 17.2. | Cells of immune system RNDr. Marián Sabol, CSc. | Laboratory methods for identification, isolation and cultivation of immune system cells. CD markers. |
| 3. 24.2. | Lymphoid organs, mucosal immune system RNDr. Marián Sabol, CSc. | Structure and function of lymphoid organs and mucosal immune system |
| 4. 3.3. | Humoral nonspecific immune mechanism – complement system MVDr. Vladimír Hrabovský, PhD. | Complement system assays – haemolytic test, measurement of individual complement components (C3, C4). Methods for detection of lysozyme levels. |
| 5. 10.3. | Cellular nonspecific immune mechanism – phagocytosis Doc. RNDr. Katarína Čurová, PhD. | Evaluation of phagocytic index and phagocytic activity of polymorphonuclear leucocytes. Tests for intracellular killing. |
| 6. 17.3. | Main histocompatibility system, transplantation immunity RNDr. Marián Sabol, CSc. | Transplantation tests - detection of HLA antigens, DNA tests, MLC test, anti HLA antibodies, cross match test |
| 7. 24.3. | Antigens. Immunoglobulins – structure, genetics, classes RNDr. Marián Sabol, CSc. | Estimation of immunoglobulins concentrations by radial immunodiffusion Detection of immune complexes |

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| 8. 31.3. | Immunoglobulins – isotypes, allotypes, monoclonal antibodies RNDr. Marián Sabol, CSc. | Detection of immunoglobulins concentrations by ELISA, nephelometry, western blot. |
| 9. 7.4. | Tolerance RNDr. Marián Sabol, CSc. | Mechanisms of tolerance. Detection of activation of immune cells. |
| 10. 14.4. | Cytokines, adhesive molecules RNDr. Marián Sabol, CSc. | Laboratory methods for measurement of cytokines. Th1 and Th2 profile in diseases. Detection of adhesive molecules. |
| 11. 21.4. | Tumor immunity RNDr. Marián Sabol, CSc. | Laboratory diagnosis of tumour antigens. Flow cytometry. Principles of anticancer immunotherapy. |
| 12. 28.4. | Autoimmunity, immunodeficiency RNDr. Marián Sabol, CSc. | Detection of autoantibodies and autoreactive T-cells. Laboratory diagnosis of autoimmune diseases associated with HLA system. Laboratory diagnosis of immunodeficiencies. |
| 13. 5.5. | Hypersensitivity reactions - I., II., III., IV. Type Credit test Dr.h.c. prof. MUDr. Leonard Siegfried, CSc. | Laboratory diagnosis of hypersensitive reactions. |
| 14. 12.5. | Immunomodulation – immunostimulation, immunorepression, immunotherapy RNDr. Marián Sabol, CSc. | Retake credit test |

Conditions to be met for getting the credit

1. 60 % of total points a student may obtain in the credit test.
2. 60 % of total number of points obtainable in 3 short tests.
3. Active participation in practical exercises (demonstration of knowledge related to topic of practical exercise).
4. Presentation of a seminar work

Dr.h.c. prof. MUDr. Leonard Siegfried, CSc.
The head of Institute