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#### EUROPEAN CREDIT TRANSFER AND ACCUMULATION SYSTEM (ECTS)

pl. M. Skłodowskiej-Curie 5, 60-965 Poznań

#### **COURSE DESCRIPTION CARD - SYLLABUS**

Course name

Biomimetic materials and technologies

**Course** 

Field of study Year/Semester

Bioinformatics 2/3

Area of study (specialization) Profile of study

general academic

Level of study Course offered in

Second-cycle studies polish

Form of study Requirements

full-time elective

**Number of hours** 

Lecture Laboratory classes Other (e.g. online)

30

Tutorials Projects/seminars

**Number of credit points** 

4

**Lecturers** 

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#### **Prerequisites**

The student starting this course should have basic knowledge of general inorganic, organic and physical chemistry in the scope enabling understanding of chemical phenomena and processes (core curriculum of the first and second year of full-time first-cycle studies). The student should also be able to obtain information from recommended literature sources, both in Polish and in English.

#### **Course objective**

Main aim is to familiarize students with examples of material and construction solutions developed by living organisms with an overview of their structure, properties and the function they serve in the body. To familirize students with the hierarchical structure of biomaterials - the connection of chemistry, structure and mechanical properties of biomaterials and biominerals. Presentation of the role of

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biopolymers as building materials of selected biological structures. Understanding the essence of biomimetics in the context of design and synthesis of next-generation bio-inspired materials. Understanding the role of biomimetics in the design of biomedical, photonic and adhesive materials. Overview of the basics and perspectives of using 3D printing and electrospinning in biomimetic synthesis of materials. Presentation of market biomimetic products and solutions.

#### **Course-related learning outcomes**

#### Knowledge

Student has knowledge of biological structures, can identify key phenomena observed in natural materials and assess their performance and utility in modern technological aspects or use them to design new solutions. (K W01; KW 02)

Knows and understands the most frequently used methods in the laboratory synthesis of bio-inspired materials. (K\_W01; KW\_02)

Student knows the fundamental aspects of using 3D printing and electrospinning in biomimetic synthesis. (K\_W04)

#### Skills

The student is able to effectively use and integrate information obtained from literature and electronic sources, in Polish and English, to interpret and critically evaluate them. (K\_U01; K\_U02)

Student manifests innovative and unconventional thinking in the design of materials and products, based on a thorough understanding of the structure of biomaterials at the nano; micro and macroscopic levels. (K\_U04; K\_U03; K\_U06)

Under the supervision of a research tutor, student is able to plan and perform research tasks using analytical, simulation and experimental methods. (K U06)

#### Social competences

The student is ready to critically assess his knowledge, understands the need for training, supplementing the knowledge of the field and improving his professional competences (K K01; K K07)

Student think and acts creatively, presenting an unconventional and innovative approach to solving complicated technological problems (K\_K07; K\_K08; K\_K09).

#### Methods for verifying learning outcomes and assessment criteria

Learning outcomes presented above are verified as follows:

Exam

#### **Programme content**

#### Lecture

Fundamentals of biomimetics.

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Hierarchical structure of biomaterials - interplay between chemistry, structure and mechanical properties.

Bio-optics and bio-inspired optical materials.

Bioadhesiveness and biomimetic adhesive materials.

Biomineralization processes.

Biomimetic approach to bone - a case study.

Spider's silk as inspiration for advanced polymers

DNA as platform to Create Organized Hybrid Structures (DNA origami).

Inorganic nanoparticles that mimic enzymes.

Design and synthesis of hybrid bio-inspired nanostructures as next-generation materials.

The use of electrospinning and 3D printing in the preparation of bio-inspired materials.

Biomimetics in medicine

Biomimetics in textile industry, aerocraft and robotics

Laboratories:

Isolation of biomaterials from biominerals and their further controlled remineralization in order to obtain hybrid materials.

Production of bio-inspired materials by the electrospinning technique.

#### **Teaching methods**

Lecture: multimedia presentation.

#### **Bibliography**

#### Basic

K. Konopka (2013) Biomimetyczne metody wytwarzania materiałów. Oficyna Wydawnicza Politechniki Warszawskiej

G. Pohl; W. Nachtigall (2015) Biomimetics for Architecture & Design. Springer International Publishing

J.F. Mano (2012) Biomimetic Approaches for Biomaterials Development. Wiley-VCH

#### Additional

K. Konopka, Wzorce z natury w technice i inżynierii materiałowej. Oficyna Wydawnicza Politechniki Warszawskiej

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# Breakdown of average student's workload

	Hours	ECTS
Total workload	100	4,0
Classes requiring direct contact with the teacher	60	2,5
Student's own work (literature studies, preparation for	40	1,5
laboratory classes, preparation for tests) 1		

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 $<sup>^{\</sup>mbox{\scriptsize 1}}$  delete or add other activities as appropriate