

| Module Details |  |  |  |  |
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| Module Title   | Skin Biology, Stem Cells and Regenerative Medicine |  |  |  |
| Module Code    | BIS7013-B  |  |  |  |
| Academic Year  | 2024/5   |  |  |  |
| Credits        | 20   |  |  |  |
| School         | School of Chemistry and Biosciences                |  |  |  |
| FHEQ Level     | FHEQ Level 7                                       |  |  |  |

| Contact Hours                  |       |  |  |  |  |
|--------------------------------|-------|--|--|--|--|
| Туре                           | Hours |  |  |  |  |
| Practical Classes or Workshops | 6     |  |  |  |  |
| Lectures                       | 16    |  |  |  |  |
| Tutorials                      | 5     |  |  |  |  |
| Laboratories                   | 3     |  |  |  |  |
| Directed Study                 | 170   |  |  |  |  |

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

#### Module Aims

Aims: To develop a comprehensive understanding and detailed knowledge of:

- 1. Skin development, skin structure and function in health and disease
- 2. Stem cells in development, tissue homeostasis and ageing
- 3. Aims, principles, tools and therapeutic potential of regenerative medicine
- 4 Major experimental models used in stem cell biology and regenerative medicine

## **Outline Syllabus**

Skin structure and function in health and disease; stem cells in development, tissue homeostasis, repair and ageing; molecular and cellular mechanisms of skin morphogenesis and regeneration; molecular and cellular mechanisms of skin ageing and diseases; aim, principles, tools and potential of regenerative medicine; major experimental models used in stem cell biology and regenerative medicine.

| Learning Outcomes |  |  |  |  |
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| Outcome<br>Number | Description  |  |  |  |
| 01                | Systematically understand, and be critically aware of, current knowledge of skin structure and function in health and disease, including skin development, homeostasis and regeneration. |  |  |  |
| 02                | Discuss how molecular and cellular defects lead to skin and hair follicle abnormalities and diseases.  |  |  |  |
| 03                | Discuss the principles of stem cell biology in relation to development, tissue homeostasis and regeneration.   |  |  |  |
| 04                | Critically evaluate the major experimental models used in Stem Cell Biology and Regenerative Medicine.   |  |  |  |
| 05                | Critically evaluate the aims, principles, major tools and therapeutic potential of regenerative medicine.  |  |  |  |
| 06                | Demonstrate personal responsibility for self-directed learning and time management.  |  |  |  |
| 07                | Demonstrate oral and written scientific communication skills.  |  |  |  |

# Learning, Teaching and Assessment Strategy

The curriculum to develop the knowledge and understanding required in this module is delivered in online lectures and workshops/journal clubs. Development of knowledge and understanding and other skills, such as critical analysis of the information, problem solving and scientific writing, is also achieved using laboratory practical sessions. Significant time will be allocated for directed studies. The workshop exercises and practical classes will require students to work under pressure, meet deadlines and develop advanced communication skills.

The comprehensive knowledge and understanding of the subject developed by the student will be assessed by coursework assessments in the form of a written critical literature review on a specific subject to develop written report and essay writing skills as well as in class MCQ during workshops. Students will also be supported by one formative essay assessments and feedbacks on one cricitical appraisal draft.

| Mode of Assessment |                           |   |           |  |  |
|--------------------|---------------------------|---|-----------|--|--|
| Туре               | Method                    | Description   | Weighting |  |  |
| Summative          | Coursework - Written      | Critical Literature Review on a Specific Subject (2000 words)           | 50%       |  |  |
| Summative          | Coursework - Written      | Essay on a skin disease (1000 words)                                    | 40%       |  |  |
| Summative          | Online MCQ<br>Examination | Three Online Open Book extended MCQ'S performed during Online Workshops | 10%       |  |  |
| Formative          | Coursework - Written      | Essay on a skin disease (1000 words)                                    | N/A       |  |  |
| Formative          | Coursework - Written      | Draft of critical literature review                                     | N/A       |  |  |

### Reading List

To access the reading list for this module, please visit <a href="https://bradford.rl.talis.com/index.html">https://bradford.rl.talis.com/index.html</a>

### Please note:

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