Module name	Genetics - a basic course
Module code	B-BT.015E
ISCED code	0511: Biology
Study cycle	l <sup>o</sup>
Semester	winter
Responsible for this module	Prof. dr hab. Monika Janczarek Department of Genetics and Microbiology e-mail: mon.jan@poczta.umcs.lublin.pl
Language of instruction	English
Website	
Prerequisites	Microbiology course
ECTS	6.5
ECTS points hour equivalents	Contact hours (work with an academic teacher) – 75 h - lectures: 30 h - labs: 45 h
	- conversations with academic teachers: 20 h
	Total number of hours with an academic teacher 95
	Number of ECTS points with an academic teacher 3.5
	Non-contact hours (students' own work) - 90 h - preparation for the exam: 40 h - preparation for labs: 35 h - literature study: 15 h
	Total number of ECTS points for the module – 6.5
Learning outcomes verification methods	lecture -written exam
	laboratory classes - written tests
Course full description	The module covers the knowledge of the basic principles of genetics in prokaryotes and eukaryotes at the level of molecules, cells, and multicellular organisms. Topics include Mendelian and non-Mendelian inheritance, structure and function of DNA, chromosomes, and genomes; DNA replication, recombination and repair; gene expression; mutations and mutagenesis.
	Lecture includes the following issues:
	<ol> <li>the most important genetic terms (dominance, codominance, incomplete dominance, pleiotropy, gene, open reading frame, multiple alleles, lethal alleles, genotype, phenotype, cumulative traits, epistasis);</li> </ol>
	<ol> <li>organization of prokaryotic and eukaryotic genomes; division of genetic material in prokaryotic and eukaryotic cells;</li> </ol>
	3. structure of chromosomes; inheritance of genes related and not related with sex; sex

determination in various organisms;

- 4. pedigree analysis; trait inheritance in humans; genetic syndromes in humans; construction of chromosomal maps;
- 5. physicochemical properties and topology of DNA; genetic and physical mapping;
- 6. replication of DNA; replication origin and terminus; primosome, replisome and other associate proteins involved in replication;
- 7. functional organization of prokaryotic and eukaryotic genes; genetic code; transcription and translation, regulation of gene expression; structure and function of promoters in transcription;
- 8. mutations and mutagenesis; mobile DNA; genetic polymorphism; techniques of molecular diagnosis
- 9. horizontal gene transfer; bacterial plasmids; conjugation, transformation, and transduction; restriction and modification systems.

Laboratory classes include the following issues:

- 1. Mendelian genetics and probability;
- 2. Non-Mendelian genetics;
- 3. DNA structure, function and replication;
- 4. Division of genetic materials in prokaryotic and eukaryotic cells; meiosis, ploidy and gamete formation;
- 5. Organization of genomes in Prokaryota and Eukaryota; elements of cytogenetics;
- 6. Chromosomes –structure and function, karyotypes and mitosis; cell division disturbances;
- 7. Human pedigree analysis; chromosomal mutations; chromosomal syndromes;
- 8. Linkage, crossing over and gene mapping;
- 9. Mechanisms of horizontal gene transfer; bacterial plasmids;
- 10. Conjugation and transformation; application of plasmids in genetic studies;
- 11. Barriers of horizontal gene transfer; restriction and modification systems and CRISPR;
- 12. Mutations and mutagenesis, analysis of mutants in the context of gene function; genetic polymorphism;
- 13. Techniques of molecular diagnosis with the use of PCR reactions and PCR-RFLP;
- 14. Molecular mechanisms of regulation of bacterial

	gene expression on the basis of lactose tryptophan operons.
Bibliography	1. T.A. Brown, Genomes 2, 2002
	2. J.E. Krebs, E.S. Goldstein, S.T. Kilpatrick, Lewin. Genes XI, 2014
	3. Hartwell, Hood, Goldberg, Reynolds, Silver, Veres. Genetics: From Genes to Genomes, 2012
Learning outcomes	KNOWLEDGE
	W1. Understanding of basic processes occuring in organisms on both molecular and cellular levels (K_W01)
	W2. Know possibility of practical use of genetic achievements in medicine and animal and plant cultivation (K_W07)
	W3. Use basic genetic techniques in studies of cellular processes in organisms and identification and characterization of genes (K_W11)
	SKILLS
	U1. Operate basic laboratory apparatus and equipment used in genetic studies (K_U01)
	U2. Perform basic laboratory experiments for analysis of genetic material of Procaryotes and Eucaryotes (K_U02, K_U04)
	U3. Draw correct conclusions from conducted experiments and observations (K_U07)
	U4. Use biological and genetic terminology in scientific discussions (K_U13)
	SOCIAL COMPETENCES
	K1. Applying the obtained knowledge to solving various genetic problems by utilizing critical thinking, and data analyzing (K_K01)
	K2. Having knowledge of practical use of genetics achievements in diagnosis of human disorders (K_K01)
	K3. Having knowledge of ethical problems related with manipulation of genetic material (K_K01)
	K4. Having knowledge of needs of systematic enlargement of scientific achievement (K_K01, K_K02)
Practice	
Teaching methods	Lecture: multimedia presentation, lecture Laboratory classes: conducting of experiments and assays, tasks, observation, multimedia presentation