Membrane Biochemistry in Health and Disease
Course # 2226-FS2017-0

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Wednesday, March 1, 2017 – May 31, 2017, 16:15 - 18:00
Institute of Biochemistry and Molecular Medicine (IBMM), Gertrud-Woker-Strasse 5, lecture room, ground floor

ATTENTION: Lecture 7 is exceptionally held on MONDAY, April 10, 2017
A minimal attendance of 80% of the lectures will be required to attend to the exam.

Learning objectives: In this lecture series, the students will receive an overview of general membrane biochemistry as well as in-depth insight into basic and applied research pertaining to transporters, ion channels and membrane receptors. Transfer of knowledge is based on a mixture of lectures and interactive discussions.

Part 1 – Basic aspects of membrane biochemistry

1. 01.03.2017 (Peter Bütikofer)
   - Introduction to lecture series
   - Membrane structure and organization
     Membrane lipids, synthesis of membranes, organization (bilayers, liposomes), asymmetry, mobility.

2. 08.03.2017 (Matthias Hediger and Dimitrios Fotiadis)
   - Types of membrane transport proteins (Matthias Hediger)
     Ion-coupled transporters, facilitated transporters, SLC families, channels, ABC transporters, pumps and porins.
   - Methods for the characterization of membrane protein structure (Dimitrios Fotiadis)
     Purification, overexpression, structural biology methods

3. 15.03.2017 (Matthias Hediger and Post-Docs)
   - Transporters and channels in health and diseases: From basic science to therapeutic applications
     Nutrient transporters, TRP channels and store-operated calcium channels

4. 22.03.2017 (Dimitrios Fotiadis)
   - Structure and function of G-protein-coupled receptors

5. 29.03.2017 (Christoph von Ballmoos and Benjamin Clémençon)
   - Mitochondrial membrane proteins involved in oxidative phosphorylation
     a. Redox driven proton transport and ATP synthesis
     b. Mitochondrial carrier family SLC25
Part 2 – Research

6. 05.04.2017
   (Christiane Albrecht)
   • Clinical implications of ATP-binding cassette (ABC) transporters

7. MONDAY, 10.04.2017
   (Daniel Fuster)
   • Sodium/hydrogen exchangers and acid-base physiology

19.04.2017 Easter Break

8. 26.04.2017
   (Andrea Chicca and Jürg Gertsch)
   • Structure, function and pharmacology of endocannabinoid receptors

10. 03.05.2017
    (Christine Peinelt and Jean-Sébastien Rougier)
    • Pathophysiology of Ion channels
    • Pathophysiology of Nav1.5 in the heart – molecular mechanisms and future therapeutic directions

12. 10.05.2017
    (Roch-Philippe Charles)
    • Membranes and cancers:
      a. Epithelial to mesenchymal transition
      b. Warburg effect

13. 17.05.2017
    (Peter Bütikofer)
    • Lipid modifications of proteins
    • Membrane lipid synthesis in a model eukaryote

14. 24.05.2017
    (Sonja Kleinlogel and Marcel Egger)
    • Glutamate receptors in the visual system
    • The role of InsP3 signalling in cardiac arrhythmogenicity

15. 31.05.2017
    (Martin Lochner)
    • Development of chemical ligands for membrane proteins

Exam  Tuesday, 06.06.2017, 16h15 – 18h00