## Joint Course Offered under HKU-CUHK-HKUST Centre for Advanced Study

Department(s), institution	Departments of Anatomical and Cellular Pathology, Chemical Pathology, Orthopaedics and Traumatology, School of Public Health, Faculty of Medicine, CUHK		
	Division of Life Science, School of Science, HKUST		
	Department of Pathology, Li Ka Shing Faculty of Medicine, HKU		
Course description	Course title: Molecular Medicine		
	This joint course will introduce the basic concepts, modern techniques as well as the latest analytic technologies in Molecular Medicine. The current usages of molecular diagnostic tests will be discussed, where cancer will be used as one of the disease models. Here are the specific objectives will be covered in the course:		
	• To deliver basic knowledges of chromosomal abnormality and immunoregulation in cancer development, and their clinical significance.		
	To discuss the genetic basis of cancer and implications for clinical diagnosis, prognostication, and disease monitoring.		
	• Special topics in neuroscience/cancer biology: to focus on neuronal signalling and neurodegenerative diseases, and cell cycle control.		
	• Cell signalling: to discuss the concept and techniques used in signal transduction study and its connection with cancer.		
	To obtain basic knowledge in molecular diagnostics.		
	To obtain basic concepts on the design of molecular medicine studies, including statistical considerations.		
	• To obtain basic knowledge on high throughput molecular technologies, including those used in proteomics and the mass spectrometric analysis of nucleic acids.		
University	CUHK	HKUST	HKU
Course code	MEDP 6001	LIFS 6660	MMPH 6020
Course credits/units	3 units	3 credits	N/A
Course title	Molecular Medicine		
Grading scheme	A-F grades	Pass/Fail	Pass/Fail
Term offered	2 <sup>nd</sup> semester, 2023-24 (January – Apr 2024)		
Teacher	Prof. Patrick Tang Prof. Peiyong Jiang Prof. Huating Wang Prof. Maggie Wang	Prof. Pingbo Huang Prof. Yukinori Hirano Prof. Lan Wang Prof. Tuan Anh Nguyen	Prof. Helen HN Yan Prof. Carmen CL Wong Prof. Judy WP Yam Prof. Jack CM Wong
Class schedule	Please refer to page 3		

## Assessment

- An essay assignment is needed for assessment (max 2500 words).
- For HKUST students, attendance rate at least 75% is required (need to sign before and after the class).
- Every teacher will set an essay question related to their lecture topic, which will be available for student to select in the end of April.
- A quota is set for each topic (max: 6 students/topic).
- Students need to indicate their top three choices in priority order within one week and be required to submit their essays within one month.
- In case of over-quota in any topic, students will be chosen in random, and remaining students will be assigned to their second-choice topic.
- The essays will be graded A to F by the topic teachers for grades, which can be translated into Pass/Fail according to each institution's system.
- The dissertation assessment guidelines currently adopted by the Master of Medical Sciences programme at HKU and a similar marking scheme from the CUHK would be taken as a reference.
- For CUHK students, add/drop system is not applied to this course and academic results will be released in <u>late July</u>.