

**School of pharmacy,****Department of Pharmacognosy & Pharmaceutical Biotechnology**

Course name: Pharmacognosy I (M-Pharm)

Number of credits: 2, Saturday (13-15)

Course type: Theoretical

Prerequisite: Medicinal Plants (Theory)

Course Instructors: Dr. Sajjad Nasserri, Dr. Paria Sharafi-Badr

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**Course Description:**

In this course, students are introduced to the fundamental principles of pharmacognosy, focusing on the study of herbal medicines, control of medicinal plants and natural compounds in the pharmaceutical field. Additionally, the course explores the methods involved in processing medicinal plants, as well as the qualitative and quantitative assessment of their medicinal properties. Furthermore, students examine the role of plants in the production of medicine and gain familiarity with the chemical constituents such as carbohydrates, lipids, and alkaloids.

**Learning outcomes:**

Students must:

1. Be able to explain primary and secondary metabolites.
2. Be able to explain the molecular structure, pharmacological effects and usage of: carbohydrates, lipids, and alkaloids.

**Course Evaluation:**

Semester Project(s)	20%
In Class Discussions	10%
Final Exam (Multiple Choice and Essay Tests)	70%

**Important Note:**

- ❖ Final Exam will be held as determined by the registrar's office.

**In Class Discussions and Semester Project(s):**

More information will be determined during class.

**Pharmacognosy I (Theory, M-Pharm), 2023 Course table****Saturday (13-15)**

NO.	Subject	Instructor(s)	Teaching methods	Date
1	Introduction of pharmacognosy The scope and practice of pharmacognosy	Dr. S. Haraf B. Atr	Discussion and Learning Based	23 Sep.
2	Extraction methods of natural compounds	Dr. S. Haraf B. Atr	Discussion and Learning Based	30 Sep.
3	Carbohydrates	Dr. S. Haraf B. Atr	Discussion and Learning Based	7 Oct.
4	Gums and mucilages	Dr. S. Haraf B. Atr	Discussion and Learning Based	14 Oct.
5	Gums and mucilages	Dr. S. Haraf B. Atr	Discussion and Learning Based	21 Oct.
6	Pharmaceutical fixed oils and fats waxes	Dr. S. Haraf B. Atr	Discussion and Learning Based	28 Oct.
7	Pharmaceutical fixed oils and fats waxes	Dr. S. Haraf B. Atr	Discussion and Learning Based	4 Nov.
8	Introduction of alkaloids	Dr. S. Haraf B. Atr	Discussion and Learning Based	11 Nov.
9	Pyrole and pyrolidine alkaloids	Dr. R. N. Aseri	Discussion and Learning Based	25 Nov.
10	Pyrolizidine alkaloids	Dr. R. N. Aseri	Discussion and Learning Based	2 Dec.
11	Tropane alkaloids	Dr. R. N. Aseri	Discussion and Learning Based	9 Dec.
12	Tropane alkaloids	Dr. R. N. Aseri	Discussion and Learning Based	16 Dec.
13	Isoquinoline alkaloids	Dr. R. N. Aseri	Discussion and Learning Based	23 Dec.
14	Indole and purine alkaloids	Dr. R. N. Aseri	Discussion and Learning Based	30 Dec.
15	Steroidal alkaloids	Dr. R. N. Aseri	Discussion and Learning Based	6 Jan.
16	Indazole alkaloids	Dr. R. N. Aseri	Discussion and Learning Based	13 Jan.

**References:**

1. Drug of natural origin: A Textbook of pharmacognosy. Samuelsson G, Swedish Pharmaceutical press, The latest edition.
- 2- Trease and Evan's pharmacognosy. Evans WC. Saunders. Edinburg. The latest edition.
3. Pharmacognosy, Phytochemistry, Medicinal plants. Bruneton J, Intercept Ltd., The latest edition.