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COURSE OFFERED IN THE DOCTORAL SCHOOL

Code of the	4606-ES-000EIK	-0280	Name of the course			Polish		Nanozanieczyszczenia środowiska: źródła, występowanie, analiza i losy		
course						English		Environmental nanopollutants: sources, occurrence, analysis and fate		
Type of the course	Specialty course									
Course coordinator	Prof. Ryszard Ło	Prof. Ryszard Łobiński, Ph.D., D.Sc., Eng Cou			Cours	rse teacher Prof. Ryszard Łobiński, Ph.D., D.Sc., Eng				
Implementing unit	Faculty of Che	mistry	Scientific discipline				nical sciences; biotechnology; chemical engineering; ronmental engineering, mining and energy			
Level of education	Doctoral s	tudies	udies Semester				summer			
Language of the cours	e English	English								
Type of assessment	Graded cre	Graded credit, ZAL		Number of hours in a semester		30		ECTS credits	2	
Minimum number of participants	12		Maximum number of participants					Available for studen (BSc, MSc)	ts Yes/ No	
Type of classes		Lecture		Auditory classes		ses Proje	ct classes	Laboratory	Seminar	
Number of hours	in a week 2								2	
	in a semester	20							10	

1. Prerequisites

Fundamentals of chemistry and/or environmental sciences

2. Course objectives

Introduce the subject, define nanopollutants and their classification. Discuss typical problems related to the presence of individual classes of nanopollutants (metal-containing, carbon-based, nanoplastics etc.) in different environmental compartments and their interaction with aquatic organisms and plants. Students will be introduced to the principles of analytical techniques used in environmental analysis of nanopollutants. The analytical approaches discussed will be focused number concentration, size and size distribution determination as well as imaging techniques at the single cell level. The existing European Union Legislation addressing nanosafety and the environment and perspectives for its development will be presented.

3. Course content (separate for each type of classes)

Lecture

- Occurrence of nanoparticles in different environmental compartments: an overview
- The challenge of the analysis of nanoplastics in the environment: current status and perspectives
- Presence of carbon-based nanomaterials in the environment: current analytical challenges and uncertainties
- Uptake of metal-containing engineered nanoparticles by aquatic organisms and plants and their possible transfomations
- Analytical tools for the environmental analysis of nanopollutants: determination of number concentration, size, size distribution, transformation products and imaging at cellular level
- Nanosafety legislation in Europe and perspectives of its development the focus on the environment

Seminar

Presentation of a selected problems related to the presence of nanopollutants in the environment.

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Type of		Reference to the	Learning outcomes					
learning	Learning outcomes description	learning outcomes of	verification					
outcomes		the WUT DS	methods*					
Knowledge								
К01	Student is able to identify different sources and individual classes of nanopollutants in environment	SD_W1	evaluation of activity during class, presentation evaluation					
К02	Student is familiar with state-of-the-art analytical instrumental techniques adapted to study different aspects of the presence of nanopollutants in environmental compartments	SD_W2	evaluation of activity during class, presentation evaluation					
	Skills							
S01	The student is able to identify sources of	SD_U1	evaluation of					
	emissions, propose a strategy for monitoring the	SD_U3						
	degree of environmental contamination and a	SD_U4	activity during class, presentation					
	method for the determination of relevant aspects of the presence of nanopollutants in	SD_U5	evaluation					
	environmental compartments	SD_U6						
S02	Students is able to discuss problems related to the	SD_U3	evaluation of					
	presence of different classes of nanopollutants in	SD_U4	activity during class,					
	environmental compartments on the basis of specialized scientific English-language literature	SD_U5	presentation evaluation					
		SD_U6						
	Social competences							
SC01	The student understands the importance of on-	SD_K2						
	going research related to the presence of nanopollutants in different environmental	SD_K3	evaluation of activity during class,					
	compartments. He/she is able to popularize this	SD_K4	presentation					
	knowledge and understands the importance of complying with EU regulations in this area.	עכ_ע4	evaluation					

*Allowed learning outcomes verification methods: exam; oral exam; written test; oral test; project evaluation; report evaluation; presentation evaluation; active participation during classes; homework; tests

Assessment criteria 5.

Active presence during lectures and seminars will produce the final grade.

6. Literature

Primary references:

- [1] Environmental Nanopollutants: Sources, Occurrence, Analysis and Fate, Editors: Joanna Szpunar, Javier Jiménez-Lamana, Royal Society of Chemistry, 2022 DOI DOI:10.1039/9781839166570
- [2] Alimi, O.S., Farner Budarz, J., Hernandez, L.M., Tufenkji, N., Microplastics and Nanoplastics in Aquatic Environments: Aggregation, Deposition, and Enhanced Contaminant Transport, (2018) Environmental Science and Technology, 52 (4), pp. 1704-1724, DOI: 10.1021/acs.est.7b05559
- [3] Bundschuh, M., Filser, J., Lüderwald, S., McKee, M.S., Metreveli, G., Schaumann, G.E., Schulz, R., Wagner, S. Nanoparticles in the environment: where do we come from, where do we go to? (2018) Environmental Sciences Europe, 30 (1), art. no. 6, DOI: 10.1186/s12302-018-0132-6

55 h, w tym: 1. Godziny kontaktowe 15 h - obecność na wykładach; 2. przygotowanie do egzaminu i obecność na egzaminie 40

h;

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No.	Description	Number of hours
1	Hours of scheduled instruction given by the academic teacher in the classroom	20
2	Hours of consultations with the academic teacher, exams, tests, etc.	2
3	Amount of time devoted to the preparation for classes, preparation of presentations, reports, projects, homework	20
4	Amount of time devoted to the preparation for exams, test, assessments	18
	Total number of hours	60
	ECTS credits	2

8. Additional information	
Number of ECTS credits for classes requiring direct participation of academic teachers	1
Number of ECTS credits earned by a student in a practical course	1