**Programme** Chemistry BSc

Bioinorganic Chemistry Course title

Name of Margit Varga

lecturer

Type of course compulsory, semi-optional, elective

> Module non-chemical, core-chemical, specialized chemical, chemistry teacher

Course code KV3EN7

Number of 2 credits

*Year of study* 

Semester Fall, spring

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Form of tuition <u>lectures</u>, practice, laboratory practice, other

> Course contents

Development of bioinorganic chemistry. Biochemical evolution: the effect of primeval atmosphere to the biochemical evolution of copper and iron. Summarized presentation of the role of elements in biological systems. Interaction of geological and biological environment; uptake of elements. Bioinorganic chemistry of essential (Na, K, Mg, Ca, Fe, Mn, Co, Cr, Ni, Cu, Zn and Mo) and some non-essential (Ti, V) metals. Biochemistry of oxygen and nitrogen groups, complexes of oxygen and nitrogen. Biomineralization. Toxicity of elements: molecular mechanism of toxicity, effects of some toxic elements (Hg, Pb, Cd, Al, As) for the living organisms. Natural detoxification. Medical problems: disorder of copper metabolism (Wilson-, Menkes disease) and therapy. Effect of deficiency and excess of elements. Metals and metal-complexes in the therapy of different diseases (Li, Au): Anticarcinogenic metal-complexes. Methods of physical-chemistry for the investigation of biological systems.

Assessment method written/oral examination, practical course mark, other

Recommended reading Endre Kőrös: Bioinorganic chemistry (lecture notes)

W. Kaim, B. Schwederski: Bioinorganic Chemistry, Wiley, 1994

Language of instruction

Hungarian