VNIVERSITAT DE VALÈNCIA

Course Guide
43038 Population pharmacokinetic and pharmacodynamic analysis and simulation of clinical trials

COURSE DATA

DATA SUBJECT

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STUDY (S)

Degree	Center	Acad. year	Period
2138 - Master's Degree in Research in and Rational Use of Medicines	Facultat de Farmàcia i Ciències de l'alimentació	1	

SUBJECT-MATTER

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2138 - Master's Degree in Research in and Rational Use of Medicines	Population pharmacokinetic and pharmacodynamic analysis and simulation of clinical trials	ELECTIVES

COORDINATION

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SUMMARY

Modeling and pharmacokinetic-pharmacodynamic simulation (FC-FD) is a fundamental tool for the current development of medicines. Analyzing and understanding the physiopathological mechanisms, the temporal evolution of the drug and the resulting pharmacological responses, as well as the associated sources of variability, allows the selection and design of clinical trials with a greater benefit / risk balance.

The objectives of the subject are:
• To know the current role of quantitative clinical pharmacology and the

utility of PK-PD models in the process of developing new drugs in the pharmaceutical industry.
• Know the methods for the analysis of the temporal evolution of the concentration of the drug and the effect of this
• Understand the basic fundamentals of population analysis
• Learning methodologies of analysis and simulation of patient populations and pharmacokinetic-pharmacodynamic responses of efficacy and toxicity

PREVIOUS KNOWLEDGE

RELATIONSHIP TO OTHER SUBJECTS OF THE SAME DEGREE

There are no specified enrollment restrictions with other subjects of the curriculum.

OTHER REQUIREMENTS

Previous knowledge of Pharmacokinetics and Biopharmacy, Pharmacology and Physiology is required.

COMPETENCES / LEARNING OUTCOMES

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Be able to access to information tools in other areas of knowledge and use them properly.

DESCRIPTION OF CONTENTS

1. Introduction to quantitative clinical pharmacology and modeling and pharmacokinetic-pharmacodynamic simulation

Program;
Definitions;
Application in Industry and role mention in positional individualization within the hospital pharmacy

2. Pharmacokinetics and Pharmacodynamics

Mathematical models of pharmacokinetics and pharmacodynamics. Assumptions and limitations

3. Population analysis

Fixed and random elements. Computer tools

4. Analysis of covariates

Interpretation of the regression variables and their statistical / clinical implication

5. Evaluation of the population model

Elements of evaluation and graphic validation, statistics and clinical

6. Role of modeling and FC-FD simulation in dose selection

Selection of the appropriate dose in different phases of drug development Importance of modeling and FC-FD simulation in dose selection

7. Drug development in special populations: pediatrics, obese patients, kidney failure patients, patients with hepatic insufficiency

Extrapolation and efficacy / safety evaluation in special population groups

8. Pharmacokinetics: application from perspective industry

Different types of analysis and use in the phases of drug development

9. Regulation of drug development: perspective EMA

Regulatory guidelines and medication authorization process

WORKLOAD

PRESENCIAL ACTIVITIES

Activity	Hours
Total hours	0,00

NON PRESENCIAL ACTIVITIES

Activity	Hours
Attendance at other activities	0,00
Individual or group project	0,00
Independent study and work	0,00
Preparation of lessons	0,00
Preparation for assessment activities	0,00
Resolution of case studies	0,00
Total hours	**0,00**

TEACHING METHODOLOGY

Master classes. Destined to obtain basic knowledge. The dogmatic method combined with the heuristic method will be used to present the fundamental concepts and the most relevant contents of the subject, through the audiovisual media necessary for the development of the same.
Case resolution seminars. Different real situations will be exposed for their resolution and discussion in face-to-face sessions between the expert professional and the students, which will imply an active participation of the student. Expert professionals will be invited on the corresponding topics.
To complete the classroom hours, the materials provided for face-to-face teaching will be adapted, so that the student can access them at any time. Use of the virtual classroom forum to answer questions.
For the practical sessions of the theoretical content, the use of videoconferences and / or the completion of the exercises proposed would be combined using the \"Task\" option in the virtual classroom.

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EVALUATION

justified, the student will be evaluated bymeans of a written exam on the subject taught in the theoretical classesand in the practical cases .
Resolution and discussion of the practical cases. It represents 60% of the overall score.

Evidence of copying or plagiarism in any of the assessable tasks will result in failure to pass the subject and in appropriate disciplinary action being taken. Please note that, in accordance with article 13. d) of the Statute of the University Student (RD 1791/2010, of 30 December), it is the duty of students to refrain from using or participating in dishonest means in assessment tests, assignments or university official documents.

In the event of fraudulent practices, the "**Action Protocol for fraudulent practices at the University of Valencia**" will be applied (ACGUV 123/2020): https://www.uv.es/sgeneral/Protocols/C83sp.pdf

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