
ENGINEERING PROGRAMME

2022-2023

Year 2 / Year 3

Specialisation option

Digital Sciences for Life Sciences
and Healthcare

OD BIOSTIC

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ENGINEERING - OD BIOSTIC

Autumn Semester

Course unit	ECTS Credits	Track	Course code	Title
UE 73 / 93	12	Core course	BIOCEL INFAVA SIMCHI STAPRE	Cellular Biology Advanced Computer Science Computational Surgery Statistics and learning
UE 74 / 94	13	Core course	BIOMOL IMMUNO MODIAN NEUPHY PROENC1	Molecular biology, genetics and evolution Immunology Systems Biology: Discrete Modeling and Qualitative Analysis of Biological Networks Neurology and Physiology Tutorel project 1

Spring Semester

Course unit	ECTS Credits	Track	Course code	Title
UE 103 / 83	14	Core course	BIOGEN CONFER MOQUAN PROENC2 SYSBAD	Bioinformatics and Genomics: biotechnological revolutions and big data Conference Systems Biology: Probabilistic Modeling and Quantitative Analysis of Biological Networks Tutorel project 2 Systems and Databases

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Cellular Biology [BIOCEL]

LEAD PROFESSOR(S): Aurélien SERANDOUR

Objectives

Understanding the fundamental mechanisms in an eukaryotic cell

Course contents

Cell adhesion and extracellular matrix
 Apoptosis
 Cancer
 Cell cycle
 Cytoskeleton
 Degradation of biomolecules
 Genetic expression
 Plasma membrane and membrane transport
 Protein routing
 Cellular signalling

Course material

Cell Biology 3rd Edition, Thomas D. Pollard , Elsevier

Assessment

Individual assessment: EVI 1 (coefficient 0.6)
 EVI 2 (coefficient 0.3)
 EVI 3 (coefficient 0.1)

LANGUAGE OF INSTRUCTION	ECTS CREDITS	LECTURES	TUTORIALS	LAB	PROJECT	EXAM
French	3	25 hrs	5 hrs	0 hrs	0 hrs	2 hrs

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Advanced Computer Science [INFAVA]

LEAD PROFESSOR(S): Olivier ROUX

Objectives

Object oriented programming / Programming in JAVA / Data structures.
Multi-core architecture / Methodology for parallelization / OpenMP / MPI.

Course contents

1. Introduction
2. Object Oriented Languages: Classes, objects, inheritance, polymorphism, etc.
3. Introduction to programming in JAVA
4. Data Structures (linear structures, trees, hash functions, etc)
5. Multi-core architecture and methodology for parallelization
6. OpenMP/ MPI
7. Enforcement

Course material

Assessment

Individual assessment: EVI 1 (coefficient 1.0)

LANGUAGE OF INSTRUCTION	ECTS CREDITS	LECTURES	TUTORIALS	LAB	PROJECT	EXAM
French	3	14 hrs	0 hrs	16 hrs	0 hrs	2 hrs

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Computational Surgery [SIMCHI]

LEAD PROFESSOR(S): Domenico BORZACCHIELLO

Objectives

Computational surgery is a new discipline that focuses on the use of medical imaging, robotics and simulation. In this field, simulation techniques are of capital importance in order to have a faithful patient-specific model. This course covers the fundamentals in biophysics with application to surgical simulation. An introduction to numerical methods for efficient implementation and simulation of these models is also presented. Advanced topics include: 3D modeling based medical imaging techniques, computational anatomy and parametric modeling.

Course contents

- Introduction to Computational Surgery
- Mesh Generation from Medical Images
- Bone Mechanics
- The finite element method for biomechanics
- Fundamentals of Computational Anatomy

Course material

Slides and Course Notes

A selection of scientific articles provided by the teacher

Notebooks in Jupyter-Python and R

Assessment

Individual assessment: EVI 1 (coefficient 1.0)

LANGUAGE OF INSTRUCTION	ECTS CREDITS	LECTURES	TUTORIALS	LAB	PROJECT	EXAM
French	3	25 hrs	5 hrs	0 hrs	0 hrs	2 hrs

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Statistics and learning [STAPRE]

LEAD PROFESSOR(S): Mathieu RIBATET / Olivier ROUX

Objectives

Introduction to the principles of artificial intelligence and Machine Learning and statistical and in-depth study of statistics

Course contents

Machine learning:

- + Introduction to statistics
- + Clustering
- + Principal component analysis
- + Logistic regression

Survival analysis:

- + Framework and definition
- + Non parametric estimation
- + Comparison of survival curves
- + Cox proportional hazard model

Course material

Assessment

Individual assessment: EVI 1 (coefficient 0.5)
EVI 2 (coefficient 0.5)

LANGUAGE OF INSTRUCTION	ECTS CREDITS	LECTURES	TUTORIALS	LAB	PROJECT	EXAM
French	3	25 hrs	5 hrs	0 hrs	0 hrs	2 hrs

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Molecular biology, genetics and evolution [BIOMOL]

LEAD PROFESSOR(S): Aurélien SERANDOUR / Sophie LIMOU

Objectives

Introduction to major molecular biology concepts
 Presentation of recent biotechnological challenges and opportunities

Course contents

The introduction to Molecular Biology will cover gametogenesis and the basis of sexual reproduction, the basis of heritability and diversity, embryonic development and cell differentiation.
 Genetic analyses in biomedical research and clinical settings (linkage, next-generation sequencing, and genome-wide association analyses).
 Biotechnological advances in genomics and functional genomics (gene expression regulation, gene editing, single-cell technologies).
 Lab classes will include exploration of bioinformatic databases, R statistics, and analytical reading of scientific papers.

Course material

Assessment

Collective assessment: EVC 1 (coefficient 0.2)

Individual assessment: EVI 1 (coefficient 0.8)

LANGUAGE OF INSTRUCTION	ECTS CREDITS	LECTURES	TUTORIALS	LAB	PROJECT	EXAM
French	3	25 hrs	5 hrs	0 hrs	0 hrs	2 hrs

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Immunology [IMMUNO]

LEAD PROFESSOR(S): Aurélien SERANDOUR / Olivier ROUX

Objectives

The objective of this course is to give students basic training in biology focusing on the main cellular and molecular components of the immune response (innate and acquired), the implementation of this response in the fight against infectious agents and their use for vaccines or therapeutic purposes.

At the end of the Immunology course, the student:

- 1-Will position the main cellular and molecular actors of the immune system during an innate and adaptive immune response.
- 2-Define and memorize the structure and function of the different lymphoid organs.
- 3-Will associate with each actor its main function.
- 4-Discuss the basics of the main successes and failures of immunology (vaccination, AIDS).
- 5-Explain the basics of the main analytical techniques using antibodies (flow cytometry, ELISA in particular).

Course contents

Overview of the immune system
 Innate Immunity
 Adaptive immunity
 Major histocompatibility complex
 Primary and secondary lymphoid organs
 Activation of T lymphocytes
 Directory of B lymphocytes
 Transplantation
 Acquired Immune Deficiencies (AIDS)
 Autoimmune diseases
 Anti-tumor immune response
 Vaccination

Program of practical work (1 day):

Production and observation of a blood smear, application to the diagnosis of hemopathies in humans.
 Analysis of the phenotype of lymphocytes circulating in human blood by multiparametric flow cytometry.

Course material

Assessment

Individual assessment: EVI 1 (coefficient 1.0)

LANGUAGE OF INSTRUCTION	ECTS CREDITS	LECTURES	TUTORIALS	LAB	PROJECT	EXAM
French	3	18 hrs	4 hrs	8 hrs	0 hrs	2 hrs

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Year 2 / Year 3 - Autumn Semester - Course Unit 74 / 94

Systems Biology: Discrete Modeling and Qualitative Analysis of Biological Networks [MODIAN]

LEAD PROFESSOR(S): Morgan MAGNIN / Olivier ROUX

Objectives

Knowledge:

- Boolean networks

Interaction graphs and associated properties

Analysis of the dynamics via the calculation of the transition graph

Formal verification of dynamic properties through model-checking (LTL / CTL)

- Petri nets:

Discrete properties (invariants)

Time extensions

Formal verification of dynamic properties thanks to parametric timed model-checking (TCTL and parametric extension)

Control of hybrid models

Skills:

- Given a specific problem, choose which of the different discrete and hybrid formalisms is the most suitable for analyzing a system biology problem?

- Validate a model / family of models with respect to a set of expected properties (logical reasoning, formal verification)

- Enrich a model with respect to issues of interest (for example, integrating a time dimension into the model when the temporal component plays a crucial role in the evolution of a system)

- Confront a model with biological data

Course contents

1. Boolean networks, their dynamics and influence graph
2. Temporal logic and model verification
3. Cell mutations and reprogramming
4. Other discrete models for modeling biological networks: Petri nets and automata
5. Model-checking of timed models

Course material

See the course documents available on Hippocampus

Assessment

Individual assessment: EVI 1 (coefficient 1.0)

LANGUAGE OF INSTRUCTION	ECTS CREDITS	LECTURES	TUTORIALS	LAB	PROJECT	EXAM
French	3	18 hrs	2 hrs	10 hrs	0 hrs	2 hrs

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Year 2 / Year 3 - Autumn Semester - Course Unit 74 / 94

Neurology and Physiology [NEUPHY]

LEAD PROFESSOR(S): Aurélien SERANDOUR / Olivier ROUX

Objectives

This is an introductory course to medicine designed to introduce the essential notions in human physiology.

Course contents

Brain function and main neurological diseases. Causes, underlying mechanism, diagnostic methods, treatments and outlook.

Physiology of the enteric nervous system and digestive pathologies. Innovations in the study of the ENS and digestive functions.

Cardiovascular physiology.

Functional anatomy in animals, muscle and bone physiology.

Numerical modeling methods in physiology. Modeling of bone remodeling. Modeling of muscle contraction. Numerical methods for the simulation of physiological systems.

Course material

Assessment

Collective assessment: EVC 1 (coefficient 0.3)

Individual assessment: EVI 1 (coefficient 0.7)

LANGUAGE OF INSTRUCTION	ECTS CREDITS	LECTURES	TUTORIALS	LAB	PROJECT	EXAM
French	3	21 hrs	9 hrs	0 hrs	0 hrs	2 hrs

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Year 2 / Year 3 - Autumn Semester - Course Unit 74 / 94

Tutorel project 1 [PROENC1]

LEAD PROFESSOR(S): Aurélien SERANDOUR / Olivier ROUX

Objectives

Research Project from September to March

Course contents

Supervision carried out by researchers and teacher-researchers from Nantes on their research theme at the mathematical / informatics / physics / biology interface

1 intermediate oral
1 report to write
1 final oral

Course material

Assessment

Collective assessment: EVC 1 (coefficient 1)

LANGUAGE OF INSTRUCTION	ECTS CREDITS	LECTURES	TUTORIALS	LAB	PROJECT	EXAM
French	1	0 hrs	0 hrs	0 hrs	32 hrs	0 hrs

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Year 2 / Year 3 - Spring Semester - Course Unit 103 / 83

Bioinformatics and Genomics: biotechnological revolutions and big data [BIOGEN]

LEAD PROFESSOR(S): Sophie LIMOU

Objectives

Overview of major challenges in bioinformatics
 Discovery of two big data approaches
 Applications with a project

Course contents

Overview of major challenges in bioinformatics: main databases in the biomedical field, sequence alignment, phylogeny and evolution basics, protein structures
 Discovery of two big data approaches: genome-wide association studies, single-cell transcriptomics
 Applications with a project

Course material

Assessment

Collective assessment: EVC 1 (coefficient 0.5)

Individual assessment: EVI 1 (coefficient 0.5)

LANGUAGE OF INSTRUCTION	ECTS CREDITS	LECTURES	TUTORIALS	LAB	PROJECT	EXAM
French	3	25 hrs	5 hrs	0 hrs	0 hrs	2 hrs

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Year 2 / Year 3 - Spring Semester - Course Unit 103 / 83

Conference [CONFER]

LEAD PROFESSOR(S): Olivier ROUX / Sophie LIMOU

Objectives

Presentation of many different application fields in biomedical engineering from academia and private companies actors

Course contents

Course material

Assessment

Individual assessment: EVI 1 (coefficient 1.0)

LANGUAGE OF INSTRUCTION	ECTS CREDITS	LECTURES	TUTORIALS	LAB	PROJECT	EXAM
French	3	30 hrs	0 hrs	0 hrs	0 hrs	2 hrs

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Year 2 / Year 3 - Spring Semester - Course Unit 103 / 83

Systems Biology: Probabilistic Modeling and Quantitative Analysis of Biological Networks [MOQUAN]

LEAD PROFESSOR(S): Olivier ROUX

Objectives

Introduction to the modeling of biological systems

Course contents

Introduction to the modeling of biological systems / Principal laws and modeling based on differential equations / Approximation of dynamics based on probabilistic models (PBN and DBN) and asymptotic analysis of models: application to regulatory models / Approximation of dynamics at quasi-stationary equilibrium and stress-based analysis: application to metabolic models.

Course material

Assessment

Individual assessment: EVI 1 (coefficient 1.0)

LANGUAGE OF INSTRUCTION	ECTS CREDITS	LECTURES	TUTORIALS	LAB	PROJECT	EXAM
French	3	21 hrs	9 hrs	0 hrs	0 hrs	2 hrs

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Year 2 / Year 3 - Spring Semester - Course Unit 103 / 83

Tutorel project 2 [PROENC2]

LEAD PROFESSOR(S): Aurélien SERANDOUR / Olivier ROUX

Objectives

Research Project from September to March

Course contents

Supervision carried out by researchers and teacher-researchers from Nantes on their research theme at the mathematical / informatics / physics / biology interface

- 1 intermediate oral
- 1 report to write
- 1 final oral

Course material

Assessment

Collective assessment: EVC 1 (coefficient 1.0)

LANGUAGE OF INSTRUCTION	ECTS CREDITS	LECTURES	TUTORIALS	LAB	PROJECT	EXAM
French	2	0 hrs	0 hrs	0 hrs	48 hrs	0 hrs

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Year 2 / Year 3 - Spring Semester - Course Unit 103 / 83

Systems and Databases [SYSBAD]

LEAD PROFESSOR(S): Jean-Yves MARTIN / Olivier ROUX

Objectives

The purpose of this course is to understand operating systems and database mechanisms.

For databases part, we study modélisation technics, conception tools, management tolls and the way to interact with databases.

For Operating System part, we study main basics for Operating Systems, Command language tools, and the way to use them.

Course contents

This course is divided in two parts.

For the Database part:

- Data modeling, Conceptual Data Model, Entity-Association Model
- Relational Model
- Physical Data Model
- SQL
- Introduction to noSQL and BigData

For the Operating System part:

- Introduction to Operating Systems
- Command Language
- Data security
- Introduction to Batches and Scheduling

Practical work aims at writing Shell script for the first part, and building and managing a database for the second part.

Course material

Assessment

Individual assessment: EVI 1 (coefficient 1.0)

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French	3	25 hrs	5 hrs	0 hrs	0 hrs	2 hrs