



**IM4307**

**Honours  
Immunology  
(Option 2)**

**Course Handbook  
2019-20**

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**Confocal micrograph of fluorescently labelled HeLa cells.**

Nuclei are labelled in blue, tubulin in green and actin fibres in red.

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## Honours Immunology Option 2: Molecular Immunology

### Course Summary

The aim of this course is to provide an in-depth understanding of how the immune system acts to protect us at a molecular level, and how in the future we could manipulate it to generate novel immunotherapies. Main Learning Outcomes include understanding the molecular mechanisms that allow the immune system to respond to the many challenges it faces. These include drawing out functional insights from recent studies that identify novel signalling pathways and molecular interactions affecting disease susceptibility and resistance. It also covers recent progress of how early interactions with infection through the innate immune system can shape and tailor immune responses, for example, by altering macrophage and dendritic cell activities to provide crucial information to the adaptive immune response.

### Course Aims & Learning Outcomes

The **subject-specific learning outcomes** are such that, at the end of the course you will be able to;

- describe the human adaptive immune response and the role that inheritance genes of the immune system play in disease susceptibility; how immunological homeostasis is maintained by regulatory cells, and how immunological dysfunction can lead to disease.
- understand how specialized antigen receptors of T and B lymphocytes function to induce immunity, tolerance or disease.
- understand and describe the interaction of cells cytokines, chemokines and other immune mediators that regulate leucocyte trafficking and migration during inflammation
- describe the role of phage display technologies in elucidating immuno-genetic repertoires and understand the contribution of MHC structure to its function in T cell recognition

### Course Teaching Staff

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## Assessments & Examinations

This course is assessed via a written examination (worth 70% of the overall course grade) in the May exam diet and one piece of continuous assessment (worth 30% of the overall course grade).

The continuous assessment associated with this course is detailed below, with two other pieces of work being associated with your other “Option” course and the “Core” course.

It is vital that the deadlines for your continuous assessments are adhered to. Submit an incomplete piece of work rather than miss a deadline. Work not submitted on time will not be accepted unless accompanied by either a medical certificate or a written explanation justifying this.

A complete submission of your work consists of:

- uploading an electronic copy of the work via MyAberdeen before 12 NOON on the deadline date.

The deadlines for all three pieces of work are:

- Core course *Research Perspective*: 12 NOON, Monday 30<sup>th</sup> September.
- Option 1 course *Research Tutorial Spotlight*: 12 NOON, Monday 4<sup>th</sup> November.
- **Option 2 course *Essay*: 12 NOON, Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> December.**

## Research Essay

The essay topics are given below. You should select one title from the list.

1. Immune checkpoints such as CTLA-4 and PD-1 as immunotherapy targets for cancer.
2. Discuss molecular mechanisms that enable natural killer cells to distinguish tumours, virally infected or stressed cells from normal cells.

You are welcome to use subheadings to structure the essay as you see fit, but the following should be included on a title page.

- *Title* (do not modify the title from above)
- *Name*
- *Student ID*
- *Word Count*

Word limit for your Research Essay is **2,000 words** and you can use as many appropriate figures/tables as you wish. The word limit does not include text in tables, figure legends, or references.

## Scientific Writing

Writing is an important scientific skill. Its function in the Honours courses is to provide you with training in finding, reading, analysing and communicating scientific ideas. Although it is usually necessary to start your reading from reviews that provide an expert overview of a topic, it is critical to your development that you read a significant number of original papers that describe the experiments underpinning key scientific advances. Central to these skills is the development of the ability to judge the important points made in a paper and what are the central pieces of evidence that support those points. Finally, it is important for all graduates to have a working knowledge of the key experimental procedures and techniques that generate the data that we use to test hypotheses.

**Word Limit:** Adhering to a word limit (excluding figure legends, tables and the reference list) requires you to be disciplined in the preparation of the piece of work; being able to write to a required length is a very useful skill, so we expect you to stay within the limit set. Your computer will give you a word count; this must be included at the end of the work submitted. **We reserve the right to return work exceeding the word count for shortening. Submissions returned for shortening must be re-submitted within 24 h.** Having to resubmit your work again will delay marking and subsequent feedback.

**Assessment:** The continuous assessment for Honours will be assessed by two members of staff, using criteria that will be published in MyAberdeen alongside the submission links for each piece of work. This assessment is not open to negotiation, although if asked, the markers will clarify any points of constructive criticism. Please use the assessment criteria as a guide and read them with care; the notes on scientific writing also give you guidance on what we judge to be important in a well-written piece of work. If you have particular doubts about your ability to write scientifically, either in terms of organising material or in the mechanics of good scientific writing, seek help from a member of staff or the Honours Coordinators during the first term. Do not wait until your first assignment is causing you anxiety.

All submissions should make reference to the latest literature on the subject you have chosen. While you may be guided through an unfamiliar subject area by reference to a review, **your work should specifically not paraphrase the review article**, but should be a synthesis of your own views of the subject, **written in your own words** arrived at by reading of the **original research papers** from resources such as Web of Science/Medline/PubMed/Google Scholar. This will give insight into *how* information is derived (one criteria assessed) as well as helping in preparation for the Data Analysis exam at the end of the year, where understanding of a research paper is tested.

## Avoiding Plagiarism

**The definition of Plagiarism** is the use, without adequate acknowledgement, of the intellectual work of another person in work submitted for assessment. A student cannot be found to have committed plagiarism where it can be shown that the student has taken all reasonable care to avoid representing the work of others as his or her own.

The instruction given above to write assignments **in your own words** and not to copy whole sentences from articles is crucially important to avoid plagiarism.

The University views this offence extremely seriously indeed; it can have dire consequences, including the awarding of no higher than a pass degree.

Continuous assessment assignments and your thesis are all submitted as electronic copies via MyAberdeen so they can be checked for originality. The programme will detect passages of text copied from other sources, and also if sentences from various text sources were used throughout the text, both indicators of plagiarism. MyAberdeen accepts most common formats, but it is advised that you submit your work as **PDF** files to avoid problems with re-formatting of figures and/or text during the submission process. Any evidence of copying from other sources that is detected in your final submissions will be brought to the attention of the Head of School, who will investigate and determine whether cheating has occurred and take the appropriate action.

## Feedback

As for all elements of continuous assessment, you will be given feedback on the Honours classification your work has attained, with the grading on the University Common Grading Scale (CGS). Feedback is normally given within 3 weeks of submission.

## Guide to Writing

Students should refer to "A Guide to Scientific Writing" by David Lindsay (Longman Cheshire) for more general guidance on writing. What follows is not a substitute for reading this book but gives general guidance on writing and on how we assess your work.

### PLANNING YOUR WRITING

#### Think

- What do I know already?
- Where will I find the information needed to develop my views on this issue?
- Where can I find more information?
- What are the best examples to illustrate the points that I want to make?
- How many words do I devote to each example?

#### Prepare

- Read a mix of reviews and use these to identify the major original scientific papers that have resulted in our current understanding of the topic.
- Read these papers and make notes on: research strategy use to analyse the problem, key experimental procedures that generate the data and critical controls that validate the data.
- Devise a set of themes and ideas for your work using the core information from above.
- Organise evidence under the theme headings: remember that arguments pro and contra are equally important.
- Select illustrations (diagrams/schemes) that reflect the themes and ideas.

### **Plan**

- Place themes in a logical order, and have a clear, and planned, introduction and conclusion.
- Start simply and develop towards more complex arguments.
- Do not hop from one theme to another and then back again.
- Identify the links between themes as a mechanism of ensuring continuity.

### **Execute**

- Write short sentences and keep clauses simple.
- Use appropriate tenses.
- Be consistent in the organisation of sections.
- Have diagrams in front of you when writing about them.
- Support statements with evidence, usually a citation; ensure your citation style is consistent

### **Complete**

- Read over what you have written - can you read it out loud without stumbling?
- Have you answered the question?
- Have you done what you said you would do at the start of the assignment?
- Have you checked it carefully for typographical errors?

### **Assessment of Written Work**

Every piece of work in your Honours year will be assessed using a standardised assessment form. The assessment forms ensure that you get useful feedback on your written work. The Continuous Assessment form covers the following criteria.

#### *Content and Presentation*

Each piece of work will be judged on content and also on style of presentation. More marks are given for the content of the work than are given for the presentation. Look at the

structure of the feedback form to see what the priorities are in giving marks. However, remember also that a written piece of work must always be more than a collection of facts and ideas. Good presentation is central to clear communication.

**Knowledge:** It is expected that any piece of work will contain a substantial body of facts gleaned from appropriate original literature, which should be cited within the text (**Citations**). The length of the work and its intended audience will dictate how many facts can be given in support of a given statement.

**Analysis:** Students are expected to develop their analytical skills. This is most readily demonstrated by use of carefully selected examples, which should show a good **understanding** of the material. Remember that examples may either support or undermine an argument.

**Understanding:** Students are expected to display a clear grasp of fundamental concepts in the context of the work and their discipline. This is sometimes illustrated by the lack of mistakes about fundamentals of the cell and cellular processes, but it is also expected a student will develop, through their reading, an understanding of the subject area and display this by writing logically about it.

**Techniques:** Scientific information is derived from experimentation. It is important to understand how information is derived. For example, what technique was used, how was the experiment conducted etc.

**Figures:** An argument can often be supported by Figures or Tables that present information more effectively than text alone. Figures and Tables should not be an add-on but must be an integral feature of the text and must be described and discussed. A poor or inappropriate figure or table will usually detract from the work. Appropriate figures prepared by hand or using a drawing programme are preferred to reproductions of complex diagrams from other people's work (if used, make sure you acknowledge the source).

**Citations:** Papers and reviews used as source material should be cited in the text. Direct quotes should be indicated by quotation marks, **although their use should be kept to a minimum, and they must be referenced (see University Web page on plagiarism)**. Use of the **Harvard style of citation** is essential, and a list of citations should be presented at the end of the work (referencing of EMBO Journal articles is a good example). The reference list does not have to be included in your word count.

In the text a reference should be cited by author and date; e.g. 'Water is known to boil at 100°C (Jones and Brown, 1872; Brown *et al*, 1873) and freeze at...'. Not more than two authors may be cited per reference; if there are more than two authors use *et al*. References should be listed alphabetically according to the initial letter of the surname of the first author. Where the same authors have published more than one paper, list them in



the order in which their papers appeared. If necessary use a and b, e.g. 1990a., with the authors' surnames and initials inverted.

References should include, in the following order:

authors' names; year; article or chapter title; editors (books only); journal or book title; name and address of publisher (books only); volume number and inclusive page numbers.

The name of each journal should be abbreviated according to the World List of Scientific Periodicals (see an EMBO J. paper for reference) and italicised. References should therefore be listed as follows:

Tugendreich, S., Bassett, D.E., Jr, McKusick, V.A., Boguski, M.S. and Hieter, P. (1994) Genes conserved in yeast and humans. *Hum. Mol. Genet.*, 3, 1509-1517.

Gehring, W. (1994) A history of the homeobox. In Duboule, D. (ed.), Guidebook to the Homeobox Genes. Oxford University Press, Oxford, UK, pp. 1-10.

Lewin, B. (1994) Genes V. Oxford University Press, Oxford, UK.

**Structure:** A good piece of writing will be clearly structured by division into appropriate sections, including an **introduction**, which provides a clear and concise statement of the issue to be discussed, and a **conclusion**, which briefly sums up the issues discussed.

**Introduction:** a clear and brief introduction of the topic of the work that describes the specific areas questions or issues that the reader should focus on.

**Viewpoint:** Students should form a view on the subject about which they are writing and should be able to support their views with balanced use of appropriate examples. A balanced piece of work will consider the relative strengths of the arguments for and against a particular point of view.

**Conclusions:** this section is used to pull the main themes of the work together and to briefly state the principal outcome of the analysis that you have performed. It should leave the reader with a clear impression of what you think about the subject matter presented.

**Sentence construction, spelling, grammar:** Students are expected to spell correctly and to follow the basic rules of grammar. Short, clear sentences are preferable to complex, tortuous, rambling constructions. You should be able to pick up the eight-clear grammatical, punctuation and spelling errors in the sentence that follows. If you can't, then revise your grammar/spelling rules. "It's clear to the company that there commercial targeted young people of the same age as Johns friends who were clearly able to receive its message."

**Organisation:** A written assignment is easier to read if it is attractively set out on the page (wide margins, double spaced, font size  $\geq 12$ ) with a logical progression and structure.

**Specific comments:** This section is provided for the staff to make comments that amplify the box assessments in the top half of the form.

**Note that computer failure is not accepted as a reason for late submission - it is good practice to maintain at least two copies of computer files.**

## Sample Assessment/Feedback MyAberdeen Rubric

| Criteria   | Levels of Achievement  |           |           |           |  |
|--|--|-----------|-----------|-----------|--|
|  | 1st Class  | 2.1 Class | 2.2 Class | 3rd Class | Bare Pass  |
| <b>CONTENT</b>                                     | Excellent demonstration of knowledge and understanding, grasp of fundamental concepts, selective use of arguments. |           |           |           | Little or no relevant content, superficial knowledge, lack of grasp of fundamentals, arguments not relevant. |
| <b>TECHNICAL INSIGHT</b>                           | Clear recognition of how information was derived.  |           |           |           | Lacking insight and a demonstration of how information was derived.  |
| <b>STRUCTURE</b>                                   | Clear logical structure with and meaningful introduction, main text and conclusion sections, clearly argued.       |           |           |           | Poorly structured, confused order of topics, poorly focused.   |
| <b>FIGURES</b>                                     | Well integrated with text, with appropriate legend, clearly illustrated.   |           |           |           | Not appropriate, poorly integrated, legends irrelevant or missing, untidy, poorly labelled.                  |
| <b>REFERENCING</b>                                 | Good use of a range of references.   |           |           |           | Citations lacking or erroneous, format inconsistent.   |
| <b>PRESENTATION</b>                                | Visually attractive, well-organised, legible.  |           |           |           | Untidy, badly organised, illegible.  |
| <b>SENTENCE CONSTRUCTION, SPELLING AND GRAMMAR</b> | Sentence construction good, readability high, spelling and grammar correct.  |           |           |           | Sentence construction poor, incoherent, many errors.   |

### Class Representatives

**We value students' opinions in regard to enhancing the quality of teaching and its delivery; therefore in conjunction with the Students' Association we support the Class Representative system.**

In the School of Medicine, Medical Sciences & Nutrition we operate a system of course representatives, who are elected from within each course. Any student registered within a course that wishes to represent a given group of students can stand for election as a class representative. You will be informed when the elections for class representative will take place.

#### What will it involve?

It will involve speaking to your fellow students about the course you represent. This can include any comments that they may have. You will attend a Staff-Student Liaison Committee and you should represent the views and concerns of the students within this meeting. As a representative you will also be able to contribute to the agenda. You will then feedback to the students after this meeting with any actions that are being taken.

## Training

Training for class representatives will be run by the Students Association. Training will take place within each half-session. For more information about the Class representative system visit [www.ausa.org.uk](http://www.ausa.org.uk) or email the VP Education & Employability [vped@abdn.ac.uk](mailto:vped@abdn.ac.uk). Class representatives are also eligible to undertake the STAR (Students Taking Active Roles) Award with further information about this co-curricular award being available at: [www.abdn.ac.uk/careers](http://www.abdn.ac.uk/careers).

## Problems with Coursework

If students have difficulties with any part of the course that they cannot cope with alone they should notify the course coordinator immediately. If the problem relates to the subject matter general advice would be to contact the member of staff who is teaching that part of the course. Students with registered disabilities should contact Mrs Jenna Reynolds ([medsci@abdn.ac.uk](mailto:medsci@abdn.ac.uk)) in the School Office (based in the IMS, Foresterhill), or Mrs Sheila Jones ([s.jones@abdn.ac.uk](mailto:s.jones@abdn.ac.uk)) in the Old Aberdeen office associated with the teaching laboratories, to ensure that the appropriate facilities have been made available. Otherwise, you are strongly encouraged to contact any of the following as you see appropriate:

- Course student representatives
- Course co-ordinator
- Convenor of the Medical Sciences Staff/Student Liaison Committee (Prof Gordon McEwan [g.t.a.mcewan@abdn.ac.uk](mailto:g.t.a.mcewan@abdn.ac.uk) )
- Adviser of studies
- Medical Sciences Disabilities Co-ordinator (Dr Derryck Shewan [d.shewan@abdn.ac.uk](mailto:d.shewan@abdn.ac.uk) )

All staff are based at Foresterhill and we strongly encourage the use of email or telephone the Medical Sciences Office. You may have a wasted journey travelling to Foresterhill only to find staff unavailable.

If a course has been completed and students are no longer on campus (i.e., work from second semester during the summer vacation), coursework will be kept until the end of Freshers' Week, during the new academic year. After that point, unclaimed student work will be securely destroyed.

## Course Reading List

This course does not have recommended textbooks as you are expected to read the primary research literature, so no specific course texts will be recommended. That said, your previous texts from third year would be useful for basic and fundamental knowledge.

## Lecture Synopsis

The aim of the molecular immunology module is to focus on recent discoveries that have shaped our understanding of how the adaptive immune system (mainly comprised of B and T lymphocytes) discriminates and functions at a molecular level.

T-cells are of fundamental importance to the adaptive immune system and require interaction with polymorphic major histocompatibility molecules (MHC). The genomic organisation and molecular composition of MHC, and their significance in autoimmune disease, will be explored. T-cell mediated immunological tolerance is of great interest because it could be harnessed for therapies to suppress damaging inflammatory responses in immune-mediated disorders. We will review immunological tolerance and elaborate proposed models to explain how the immune system discriminates harmful from non-harmful challenges. CD4<sup>+</sup> regulatory T-cells contribute to immunological tolerance, and their function and potential as therapeutic agents will be explored. Understanding immune evasion strategies at a molecular level is of prime importance especially in tumour immunology where there are clear links between tumour formation and persistence of particular microbial pathogens.

A second theme summarises the decision-making processes that permit T-cells to generate an appropriate response after antigen encounter. Naïve and memory T-cell activation, effector cell differentiation, and the molecular signalling mechanisms behind them are reviewed.

Several new lectures have also been introduced to cover a number of exciting areas of immunology: Aire is a gene that contributes to self-non-self-discrimination in thymic selection, but recent work has uncovered some unexpected roles for this molecule. Activational and inhibitory receptors act to balance immune response intensity – too weak or strong a response against a pathogen can be equally damaging.

Finally, up to 20% of emerging clinical pharmaceutical therapies are based on engineered monoclonal antibodies. The final theme in this course is to evaluate the strategies that have been successfully employed in antibody-based technology from elucidating antibody structure through to designing antibodies and antibody fragments that form a basis for new therapies.

Material for the course will be drawn from a wide range of sources and in particular, cutting edge publications will be covered in lectures.

## Tutorial Work

### IMMUNOLOGY RESEARCH TUTORIAL

#### Your Preparation for the Research Tutorial:

1. It is important that you read the key papers.
2. Prepare a written summary of the key papers with bullet points on the main findings.
3. Pay attention to the rationale and objectives of the work, the methodologies used and importantly the results and their interpretation.
4. Try to identify areas of the paper which could be strengthened or followed up with additional experiments.
5. Come prepared to discuss all the papers during the tutorial.
6. Importantly, have questions ready and also be prepared to debate points and offer answers to the other students.

#### **New perspectives on T cell function**

**Tutor: Dr Frank Ward (mmd475@abdn.ac.uk)**

#### **Th17 T cell responses – beneficial or detrimental in cancer?**

##### **Introduction**

One of the fundamental questions regarding the Th17 T cell subset is whether tumour-associated Th17 cells are functional effector T cells with any protective role against cancer. This reflects other observations, especially in mucocutaneous Th17 T cell responses, which demonstrate a clear dichotomy dependent on precise environmental cues received by naïve T cells during Th17 T cell priming. It is clear that we need to understand these subtle differences in Th17 T cell function if we are to exploit this important T cell subset in therapy.

This tutorial will examine a number of papers that provide evidence for or against Th17 T cell responses being an important component in anti-tumour immune responses. We will then decide on the overall importance of Th17 T cell anti-tumour responses. Would you develop a therapy to increase Th17 T cells in the tumour environment?

##### **Background reviews:**

- Stockinger, B. & Omenetti, S. The dichotomous nature of T helper 17 cells. *Nat. Rev. Immunol.* <http://dx.doi.org/10.1038/nri.2017.50> (2017).

##### **Key papers:**

- Sfanos, K. S. *et al.* Phenotypic analysis of prostate-infiltrating lymphocytes reveals TH17 and Treg skewing. *Clin. Cancer Res.* **14**, 3254–3261 (2008).
- Hinrichs, C. S. *et al.* Type 17 CD8<sup>+</sup> T cells display enhanced antitumor immunity. *Blood* **114**, 596–599 (2009).

- Kulig, P. *et al.* IL17A-mediated endothelial breach promotes metastasis formation. *Cancer Immunol. Res.* **4**, 26–32 (2016).
- He, D. *et al.* IL-17 promotes tumor development through the induction of tumor promoting microenvironments at tumor sites and myeloid-derived suppressor cells. *J. Immunol.* **184**, 2281–2288 (2010).

## University Policies

Students are asked to make themselves familiar with the information on key institutional policies which have been made available within MyAberdeen (<https://abdn.blackboard.com/bbcswebdav/institution/Policies>). These policies are relevant to all students and will be useful to you throughout your studies. They contain important information and address issues such as what to do if you are absent, how to raise an appeal or a complaint and indicate how seriously the University takes your feedback.

These institutional policies should be read in conjunction with this programme and/or course handbook, in which School and College specific policies are detailed. Further information can be found on the [University's Infohub webpage](#) or by visiting the Infohub.

The information included in the institutional area for 2019/20 includes the following:

- Absence
- Appeals & Complaints
- Student Discipline
- Class Certificates
- MyAberdeen
- Originality Checking
- Feedback
- Communication
- Graduate Attributes
- The Co-Curriculum

## Medical Sciences Common Grading Scale

| Grade | Grade Point | Category            | Honours Class        | Description  |
|-------|-------------|---------------------|----------------------|--|
| A1    | 22          | Excellent           | First                | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Outstanding ability and critical thought</li> <li>Evidence of extensive reading</li> <li>Superior understanding</li> <li>The best performance that can be expected from a student at this level</li> </ul>                                      |
| A2    | 21          |                     |                      |  |
| A3    | 20          |                     |                      |  |
| A4    | 19          |                     |                      |  |
| A5    | 18          |                     |                      |  |
| B1    | 17          | Very Good           | Upper Second         | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Able to argue logically and organise answers well</li> <li>Shows a thorough grasp of concepts</li> <li>Good use of examples to illustrate points and justify arguments</li> <li>Evidence of reading and wide appreciation of subject</li> </ul> |
| B2    | 16          |                     |                      |  |
| B3    | 15          |                     |                      |  |
| C1    | 14          | Good                | Lower Second         | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Repetition of lecture notes without evidence of further appreciation of subject</li> <li>Lacking illustrative examples and originality</li> <li>Basic level of understanding</li> </ul>   |
| C2    | 13          |                     |                      |  |
| C3    | 12          |                     |                      |  |
| D1    | 11          | Pass                | Third                | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Limited ability to argue logically and organise answers</li> <li>Failure to develop or illustrate points</li> <li>The minimum level of performance required for a student to be awarded a pass</li> </ul>                                       |
| D2    | 10          |                     |                      |  |
| D3    | 9           |                     |                      |  |
| E1    | 8           | Fail                | Fail                 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Weak presentation</li> <li>Tendency to irrelevance</li> <li>Some attempt at an answer but seriously lacking in content and/or ability to organise thoughts</li> </ul>   |
| E2    | 7           |                     |                      |  |
| E3    | 6           |                     |                      |  |
| F1    | 5           | Clear Fail          | Not used for Honours | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Contains major errors or misconceptions</li> <li>Poor presentation</li> </ul>   |
| F2    | 4           |                     |                      |  |
| F3    | 3           |                     |                      |  |
| G1    | 2           | Clear Fail/ Abysmal | -                    | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Token or no submission</li> </ul>   |
| G2    | 1           |                     |                      |  |
| G3    | 0           |                     |                      |  |



## IM4307 Course Timetable: 2019-2020

| Date           | Time        | Place     | Subject   | Session  | Staff       |
|----------------|-------------|-----------|---|----------|-------------|
| <b>Week 13</b> |             |           |   |          |             |
|                |             |           | <b>CONTROLLING THE ADAPTIVE IMMUNE RESPONSE</b>   |          |             |
| Mon 21 Oct     | 14:00-15:00 | BMP LT    | Introduction to the course; structure, assessment etc<br>MHC molecules and their association with transplantation | Lecture  | Dr F Ward   |
|                | 15:00-16:00 | BMP LT    | Immunomodulation with Rapamycin   | Lecture  | Dr F Ward   |
| Tue 22 Oct     | 11:00-12:00 | 1:143/144 | Ultimate control freaks - Regulatory T Cells  | Lecture  | Dr F Ward   |
|                | 12:00-13:00 | 1:143/144 | T Cell Polarisation - tailored immunity for a broad range of pathogens  | Lecture  | Dr F Ward   |
| Wed 23 Oct     |             |           |   |          |             |
| Thu 24 Oct     |             |           |   |          |             |
| Fri 25 Oct     |             |           |   |          |             |
| <b>Week 14</b> |             |           |   |          |             |
| Mon 28 Oct     | 14:00-15:00 | 1:143/144 | T cell polarisation and its control by cytokine signalling  | Lecture  | Dr H Wilson |
|                | 15:00-16:00 | 1:147     | Cytokines and cytokine receptors - targets for treatment of disease   | Lecture  | Dr H Wilson |
| Tue 29 Oct     | 13:00-14:00 | 1:147     | Tfh cells and their role  | Lecture  | Dr S Sabir  |
|                | 14:00-15:00 | 1:147     | Fast track evolution in B cells? The role of activation induced cytidine deaminase (AID) in antibody function     | Lecture  | Dr F Ward   |
| Wed 30 Oct     |             |           |   |          |             |
| Thu 31 Oct     |             |           |   |          |             |
| Fri 1 Nov      |             |           |   |          |             |
| <b>Week 15</b> |             |           |   |          |             |
| Mon 4 Nov      | 14:00-15:00 | 1:147     | Aire: the identity of "Self"  | Lecture  | Dr F Ward   |
| Tue 5 Nov      |             |           |   |          |             |
| Wed 6 Nov      | 09:00-10:00 | 1:143/144 | Regulating movement of naïve T and B cells  | Lecture  | Dr I Crane  |
|                | 10:00-11:00 | 1:143/144 | Regulating recruitment of effector T cells  | Lecture  | Dr I Crane  |
| Thu 7 Nov      |             |           |   |          |             |
| Fri 8 Nov      |             |           |   |          |             |
| <b>Week 16</b> |             |           |   |          |             |
|                |             |           | <b>REGULATING THE INNATE IMMUNE RESPONSE</b>  |          |             |
| Mon 11 Nov     | 13:00-14:00 | 1:147     | Macrophage activation and polarisation - implications for disease   | Lecture  | Dr H Wilson |
|                | 14:00-15:00 | 1:147     | tbc   | Tutorial | Dr F Ward   |
| Tue 12 Nov     | 13:00-14:00 | 1:147     | Inflammasomes and autoinflammation  | Lecture  | Dr P Cao    |
| Wed 13 Nov     |             |           |   |          |             |
| Thu 14 Nov     |             |           |   |          |             |
| Fri 15 Nov     |             |           |   |          |             |
| <b>Week 17</b> |             |           |   |          |             |
| Mon 18 Nov     | 15:00-16:00 | 1:154     | The Emerging role of Fc receptors in protective immunity  | Lecture  | Dr F Ward   |
|                |             |           | <b>REGULATING THE INNATE AND ADAPTIVE IMMUNE RESPONSE?</b>  |          |             |
|                | 16:00-17:00 | 1:154     | Novel Vaccine development   | Lecture  | Dr F Ward   |

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| Tue 19 Nov |             |       |   |          |           |
| Wed 20 Nov |             |       |   |          |           |
| Thu 21 Nov | 10:00-12.00 | 1:154 | Research Tutorial - Understanding Th17 plasticity in cancer | Tutorial | Dr F Ward |
| Fri 22 Nov |             |       |   |          |           |