Course Unit Descriptor

Study Programme: Phytomedicine, modul Plant protection

Course Unit Title: Ecotoxicology and Environmental Protection

Course Unit Code: 19.FT1010

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Type and Level of Studies: Bachelor studies

Course Status (compulsory/elective): Compulsory

Semester (winter/summer): Summer

Language of instruction: English

Mode of course unit delivery (face-to-face/distance learning): Face to face

Number of ECTS Allocated: 4

Prerequisites: None

Course Aims:

The knowledge about the pollution sources and types of pollutants in ecosystems and the measures to be taken in the process of agriculture production in order to prevent pollution of ecosystems.

Learning Outcomes:

The acquired-applicable knowledge in the field of ecotoxicology and environmental protection.

Syllabus:

Theory

Definition of ecotoxicology, circulation of matter and energy in nature, toxicity, toxicity testing, mutagens, cancerogenic, teratogenic, reproduction effects. Human expose to the toxic compounds and risk assessment. Pesticides – organochlorine insecticides, polychlorinated biphenyls, dioxins, polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons. Concept, causes, types, level of pollution. Goals and assignments of agro-ecosystem protection. Basic characteristics and peculiarities of agro-ecosystem. Pollution and protection of air, water and soil– sources and classifications of pollutant, effects of pollution, possibilities of reducing negative effects in plant production.

Practice

Determination of organochlorine insecticides, polychlorinated biphenyls and polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons content in the environment. Determination of toxicity according the OECD methods. Determination of EC_{50} . The determination of SO_2 , CO_2 , NH_3 excess in air. Determination of inorganic and organic chemical pollution in water. Determination of heavy metals content in water, soil and plants and rebuilding polluted soil. Determination of nitrate content in plant material.

Required Reading: Kastori R., Zaštita agroekosistema. Feljton, Novi Sad, 1995;

Alloway, B., J. Heavy metals in soil. Blackie, Glasgow, 1990;

Walker, C.H., Hopkin, S.P., Siblz, R.M., Peakall, D.B. Principes of Exotoxicology. Tajlor&Francis, New York, 2006;

Weekly Contact Hours:4		Lectures:45		Practical work:15			
Teaching Methods:							
Lectures and students group work							
Knowledge Assessment (maximum of 100 points):							
Pre-exam obligations	points		Final exam		points		
Active class	5		written exam		85		

participation						
Practical work		oral exam				
Preliminary exam(s)						
Seminar(s)	10					
The methods of knowledge assessment may differ; the table presents only some of the options: written exam, oral exam,						
project presentation, seminars, etc.						