Course Unit Descriptor

Study Programme: Veterinary Medicine

Course Unit Title: Vector and zoonoses

Course Unit Code: 3IVM10I103

Name of Lecturer(s): Aleksandar S. Potkonjak

Type and Level of Studies: Undergraduate academic studies

Course Status (compulsory/elective): elective

Semester (winter/summer): winter

Language of instruction: English

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

Number of ECTS Allocated: 5

Prerequisites: Biology, Microbiology, Immunology, Veterinary Epidemiology

Course Aims:

Students should be familiar with the appearance, the way of spreading and movement of vector-borne diseases common to the humans and animals, as well as to learn the basic techniques of collecting and identifying insects that are vectors of these infections

Learning Outcomes:

Students should be trained to diagnose and monitor the spread and movement of vector-borne diseases that are common to humans and animals, as well as communicate with specialized organizations in the world dealing with this issue.

Syllabus:

Theory

Introduction. Review of the current prevalence of vectorn borne diseases in Serbia and rest of the world. Bazic knowladge of biology, taxonomy and identification of vectors. Consequences of occurrence of vector transmitete diseases. Key elements for diagnostic of vector transmitete diseases. Lyme disease, Ehrlichiosis, Bartonellosis, Q fever, T-ularemia, Rickettsiales, Anaplasmosis, Yersinia pestis, Arbovirus encephalitises, West Nile encephalitis, Hemorrhagic fever, Yellow fever, Europian Ixodes encephalitis, Rift Valley fever. Meassures preventions and programs of diseases control. Development immunoprofilactic strategy against vector transmitet diseases, Basic programs of control of vector transmitted diseases.

Practice

Methods of gathering, transport, keeping and determination of taxonomic belongings of vectors. Use of bio security and bio safety standards during the laboratory work with vectors. Direct and indirect diagnostic of vector transmitted. Review and interpretation of laboratory results. Communication with National and worldwide specialized organizations which are monitoring spread of vector-borne diseases

Required Reading: Cvetnić Ž. Bakterijske i gljivične zoonoze. Medicinska naklada, Zagreb, Hrvatska, 2013. Potkonjak A. Bolest mačijeg ogreba. Zadužbina Andrejević, Beograd, 2009. Antonijević B. Zoonoze-bolesti u čijem nastanku životinje imaju značajnu ulogu. Zavod za udžbenike i nastavna sredstva, Beograd, 2001. Acha P. Zoonoses and Communicable Diseases Common to Man and Animals. Third edition, PAHO, 2001. Goddard J. Infectious Diseases and Arthropods, second edition, Humana Press, 2008. Marquardt W.H. Biology of Disease Vectors. Second edition, Academic Press, 2004. Gibb T. Arthropod Collection and Identification: Laboratory and Field Techniques. Academic Press; First edition, 2005. Kettle D.S. Medical and Veterinary Entomology, Second edition. Cab International, 1995.

Weekly Contact Hours:		Lectures: 2		Practical work: 2
Teaching Methods: Lectures, PowerPoint presentations, discussion in the group				
Knowledge Assessment (maximum of 100 points):				
Pre-exam obligations	points		Final exam	points
Active class	0		written exam	50
participation				
Practical work	0		oral exam	0
Preliminary exam(s)	0			
Seminar(s)	50			
The methods of knowledge assessment may differ; the table presents only some of the options: written exam, oral exam,				
project presentation, seminars, etc.				