Inborn Diseases of Metabolism Affecting Brain Development

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1 ECTS

SUMMARY
Monogenic inborn errors have a prevalence of 1:100. Among these, metabolic diseases affecting brain development have a prevalence of 1:1500. These numerous, but rare and often orphan diseases deeply affect the brain development and functions. This course will provide an overview of the main metabolic diseases affecting brain development, from their genetic to their phenotypic (clinical, pathophysiological and biochemical) description. Students will also learn that these rare diseases also provide an excellent opportunity to analyze brain development and functions from an often unrecognized domain in neuroscience: Intermediary metabolism, which regulate all cellular essential pathways.

DATES IN 2020

The course will take place at the CHUV/PMU Lausanne:

- **Wednesday April 29 from 12h15-14h** (Salle Delos, PMU)
  - Introduction to the course.
  - Metabolism and cerebral function during development.
  - Isolation and contacts between CNS and periphery: Development of blood-brain barrier and choroid plexus.
- **Wednesday May 6 from 12h15-14h** (Salle Samos PMU)
  - Hyperammonemia in newborns and children: Consequences for brain development.
- **Wednesday May 13 from 12h15-14h** (Salle Samos PMU)
  - Creatine deficiencies.
- **Wednesday May 20 from 12h15-14h** (Salle Delos, PMU)
  - Serine deficiencies
  - Deficiency in glucose transporter GLUT1
  - Phenylketonuria and BH4 deficiencies
- **Wednesday May 27 from 12h15-14h** (Salle Delos, PMU)
  - MCAD deficiency (Medium Chain Acyl-CoA Dehydrogenase)
  - Galactosemia
  - Biotinidase deficiency
  - Non-cetotic hyperglycinemia
  - Homocystinuria
LOCATION
For rooms please see respective course dates; useful maps can be found here. The rooms are located on floor 8th of the CHUV (same as main entrance), in the PMU part (policlinique médicale universitaire) next to the public cafeteria.

EVALUATION
Based on a written exam (mini-review).

REGISTRATION
Write an e-mail to the indscourses@gmail.com before April 1, 2020 (course title as subject; supervisor in copy)

READING MATERIALS
Course materials are stored on the UNIL e-learning platform Moodle. You can access by doing the following:

- go to "https://moodle2.unil.ch"
- log in with your institutional/university address
- click on "Faculté de Biologie et de Médecine" > "Ecole doctorale / doctoral school" > "Lemanic Neuroscience Doctoral School"

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