PHGY 518
ARTIFICIAL CELLS
Fall 2024
(3 Credits)

**Time:** Tuesdays from 4:05 p.m. – 5:55 p.m.

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ARTIFICIAL CELLS: AN ADVANCED COURSE PHGY 518

INFORMATION AND REQUIREMENTS

PLANS FOR THIS ADVANCED COURSE (see timetable of schedule):
This advanced course is to give the class an overview of this large interdisciplinary area. It starts with reading and lectures to give students sufficient basic background. After this, the students will be able to learn how to obtain up-to-date materials on their own (online and the library).
(1) As an introduction to this course, the class starts by reading related material on this topic from the website www.medicine.mcgill.ca/artcell, starting with the first section that is of a general nature written for the public.
(2) The first 3 two-hour lectures on Artificial Cells will introduce the class to the basic advance principles of Artificial Cells.
(4) First seminar is to test students’ understanding of the above 3 two hour lectures. If they are not clear about some of the principles these can be discussed. This will make sure they have the basic principles for the detailed lectures and seminars to follow.
(5) This will be followed by 4 two hour lectures of more detailed examples of selected topics on Artificial Cells given by professors specialized in the selected field.
(6) A total of 5 Two-hour seminars related to examples of ARTIFICIAL CELLS for Nanomedicine, Nanobiotechnology, Regenerative Medicine, Cell and Stem Cell Therapy, Enzyme Therapy and other areas. The material for these seminars will come from assigned chapters in the 2007 book on Artificial Cells plus updated information of material in the period of 2008-2024 including those assigned during each lecture.
(5) Term Paper: Each student will be assigned a term paper on topics related to Artificial Cells. The term paper should include:
   i. Introduction and historical review;
   ii. Recent research based on lecture material, 2007 books, www.medicine.mcgill.ca/artcell website PLUS summary of 5 key papers on the assigned topic published between 2008-2024 as assigned papers in addition to those Students select independently on his/her own.
   iii. General discussions, conclusions and future research based on your own views of (1) and (2) above.

REQUIREMENTS FOR THIS ADVANCED COURSE:
You are responsible for knowing the following material:
(1) Lecture materials; and assigned readings
(2) Sections on 2007 book on Artificial Cells and 2021 book on Nanobiotherapeutic basis of blood substitutes assigned for all the seminars; Both books (by Chang) are available free on this website
(3) Related details on the website www.medicine.mcgill.ca/artcell It is the key reference source for Artificial Cells around the world.
(4) This is an advanced course on the basic principles and recent advances in the area of Artificial Cells. Based on students' feedback, the major problem faced by previous classes is that this is a highly interdisciplinary area. As a result, it is difficult for anyone to gather all the background information needed for this course. There is now a 454 page 2007 monograph by TMS Chang on ARTIFICIAL CELLS: Biotechnology, Nanomedicine, Regenerative Medicine, Blood Substitutes, Bioencapsulation and Cell/Stem Cell Therapy. There is also a large 1032 page 2021 book by Chang et al on Nanobiotherapeutic basis of blood substitutes Both published by the World Science Publisher/Imperial College Press (The official publisher of Nobel Prize Award Lectures from 1921 to now).
The publisher has given the author the right to place the 2007 book on his website for all to read without cost. The author has also donated 4 copies of this book to the McGill library. The 2021 book is also on Open Access for all to view at no cost.

**GRADING TO BE USED IN THIS ADVANCED COURSE:**

**A. 40% Term paper:**
Students will be assigned a term paper on topics related to Artificial Cells. The term paper should not be more than 10 pages single space and 12 font (figures, references or tables should not be included in the page count) and should include:

1. Introduction and historical review (10%);
2. Recent research results based on lecture material, 2007 books, [www.medicine.mcgill.ca/artcell](http://www.medicine.mcgill.ca/artcell) website PLUS summary of 5 key papers (including those assigned to the class) on the assigned topic published between 2008-2024 that the student should select independently on his/her own (20%).
   (You can find these key papers by searching the website including [www.medicine.mcgill.ca/artcell](http://www.medicine.mcgill.ca/artcell), the journal of 'Artificial cells, Nanomedicine and Biotechnology' that is available online at McGill, and other journals like Nature Medicine, Nature Biotechnology etc.);
3. General discussions, conclusions and future research (10%) based on your own views of (1) and (2) above.

The deadline for submission to Professor TMS Chang [Thomas.chang@mcgill.ca](mailto:Thomas.chang@mcgill.ca) as an e-mail attachment (Maximal size of 1 megabyte) is November 5, 2022.

**B. 20% Participation and answer to questions by the rest of the class during seminar presentations**
Attendance, participation, discussion and answer to questions in all the seminars will account for the 20%. 10% based on First seminar where each student’s answer to questions posted showing their understanding of the first 3 two hour lectures. 10% based on attendance, participation of the 5 two hour seminars.

**C. 40% Based on Seminar Presentation:**
Topics will be assigned a later date. Each presentation will start with a summary of background from the 2007 book or lectures or assigned material (10% of time) followed by the presentation and discussion of 3 key papers on the assigned topic – published between 2008-2024 (time 80% with 10% for discussion). Grades will be based on presentation and answers to questions related to the assigned material for the seminar presentation. The time allotted for the actual presentation is 15 min. (The % of time is 10% for introduction, 80% for key papers and 10% for discussion.

Seminar and Term Paper Assignments will be given at a later date when the class list has been finalized.