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Nano-/Bio-materials

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Course Goals: This course will provide students with an introduction to nanomaterials and biomaterials used in different kinds of applications. We will survey important classes of nanomaterials (e.g., carbon-based nanomaterials and quantum dots) and biomaterials (e.g., naturally-derived biomaterials and polymeric biomaterials), discussing materials preparation, processing, properties and applications. We will also offer at least two experimental sections about the preparation of paper diagnostic devices and the cell culture.

Textbook: N/A; class notes/journal papers/magazine articles

Grade:

Report (assignment) (5) 40%; 500 words (in English) Report (experiment) (1) 10%; 500 words (in English) Exam 20% Final Report & Presentation 30%; 1000 words (in English)

Tentative Schedule:

Week 1 (9/14): Reading assignment [Report]
Week 2 (9/21): Introduction to nano-bio-materials
Week 3 (10/5): Introduction to nanomaterials
Week 4 (10/12): Introduction to biomaterials [Report]
Week 5 (10/19): Naturally-derived biomaterials (e.g., collagen)
Week 6 (10/26): Experimental (paper diagnostic devices) [Report]
Week 7 (11/2): Invited Lecture – Microfluidics [Report]
Week 8 (11/9): Naturally-derived biomaterials (e.g., collagen)
Week 9 (11/23): Polymeric biomaterials (e.g., PE/PDMS) [Report]

Week 10 (11/30): Midterm

Week 11 (12/7): Application (1) Tissue Engineering Week 12 (12/14): Application (2) Chemical-/Biological-sensing Week 13 (12/21): Application (3) Nano-/Micro-fluidics Week 14 (12/28): Application (4) Point-of-Care Diagnostics [Report]

Week 15 (1/4): Project presentation [Report]