



# Course Specification

## (Bachelor)

Course Title: **Chemistry of natural product**

Course Code: **CEM 436**

Program: : **Chemistry**

Department: : **Chemistry**

College: **Science**

Institution: : **Majmaah University**

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## A. General information about the course:

### 1. Course Identification

1. Credit hours: ( 3 hrs)

#### 2. Course type

A.  University  College  Department  Track  Others  
 B.  Required  Elective

3. Level/year at which this course is offered: (Level 7)

#### 4. Course General Description:

The course provides fundamental knowledge to natural products chemistry, including the distribution of secondary metabolites, biosynthesis and their function in biological systems and bioactive natural products in plants and others source.

The course explain the classification, nomenclature, structure, biosynthesis and analysis besides information about their medicinal uses and structural activity relationship.

The practical part introduce fundamental aspects of extracting bioactive extract from these sources. The practical part provide the Techniques and methodologies for the extraction and separation methods of natural products from plant and demonstrate the detection methods of phytochemical Groups in Extracts.

#### 5. Pre-requirements for this course (if any):

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#### 6. Co-requisites for this course (if any):

There is none

#### 7. Course Main Objective(s):

The course aims to

- Identify different types of natural products, their occurrence, structure, biosynthesis and properties.
- Demonstrate fundamental knowledge to natural products chemistry.
- Acquire skills to evaluate the properties of bioactive natural products and their structure-activity relations,
- Enable the student to achieve a fundamental knowledge of natural products chemistry, including the distribution of secondary metabolites, biosynthesis and their function in biological systems.



-knowledge about herbal substances, herbal extracts and bioactive natural products in plants, which is important in regard to the understanding of the origin, mode of action, use and production of herbal remedies and pharmaceuticals.

- Acquire skills to perform different techniques with in natural product chemistry

## 2. Teaching mode (mark all that apply)

| No | Mode of Instruction  | Contact Hours | Percentage |
|----|--|---------------|------------|
| 1  | Traditional classroom  | 30            | 100%       |
| 2  | E-learning   | -             | -          |
| 3  | Hybrid <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Traditional classroom</li> <li>• E-learning</li> </ul> | -             | -          |
| 4  | Distance learning  | -             | -          |

## 3. Contact Hours (based on the academic semester)

| No           | Activity          | Contact Hours |
|--------------|-------------------|---------------|
| 1.           | Lectures          | 30            |
| 2.           | Laboratory/Studio | 30            |
| 3.           | Field             | -             |
| 4.           | Tutorial          | -             |
| 5.           | Others (specify)  | -             |
| <b>Total</b> |                   | <b>60</b>     |

## B. Course Learning Outcomes (CLOs), Teaching Strategies and Assessment Methods

| Code       | Course Learning Outcomes  | Code of PLOs aligned with the program | Teaching Strategies                          | Assessment Methods             |
|------------|---|---------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|
| <b>1.0</b> | <b>Knowledge and understanding</b>                                |                                       |  |                                |
| 1.1        | Define the concepts and principles of natural products chemistry. | <b>K1</b>                             | -Lectures.<br>- Conduct scientific research. | - Final exam<br>- Midterm exam |
| 1.2        | Explain Chemical Reactions of biosynthetic                        | <b>K3</b>                             | -Effective Learning                          | - Short tests<br>-Quizzes.     |





| Code       | Course Learning Outcomes  | Code of PLOs aligned with the program | Teaching Strategies  | Assessment Methods  |
|------------|---|---------------------------------------|--|---|
|            | pathways of natural products and structure-activity relations   |                                       | - Seminars.<br>-Discussions<br>-Brainstorming<br>Engagement and Motivation   | - Homework<br>- Class exercises<br>- Evaluation of research   |
| <b>2.0</b> | <b>Skills</b>   |                                       |  |   |
| 2.1        | Perform the Laboratory experiments using the right scientific methods and proper safety procedures  | <b>S1</b>                             | -Laboratories<br>-Effective Learning Collaborative - Learning.<br>-Engagement and Motivation   | -Practical tests<br>-Practical reports<br>-Performance appraisal<br>-rubric assessment<br>Note card Reports and Research papers |
| 2.2        | Solve chemical problems related to natural products t applications through critical thinking to develop appropriate rational, explanations, and answers | <b>S4</b>                             | -Lectures.<br>- Conduct scientific research.<br>-Laboratories<br>-Effective Learning<br>- Seminars.<br>-Discussions<br>-Brainstorming<br>Engagement and Motivation<br>Assignment of scientific tasks | -Final exam<br>Practical tests<br>- Evaluation of research<br>- Reports<br>Evaluation the Assignment of scientific tasks        |
| ...        |   |                                       |  |   |
| <b>3.0</b> | <b>Values, autonomy, and responsibility</b>   |                                       |  |   |
| 3.1        | Self-development, assess own learning and performance, and autonomously make  | <b>V3</b>                             |  | Performance appraisal<br>-Reports and   |





| Code | Course Learning Outcomes   | Code of PLOs aligned with the program | Teaching Strategies | Assessment Methods |
|------|--|---------------------------------------|---------------------|--------------------|
|      | decisions regarding self-development and/or tasks based on convincing evidence |                                       |                     | -Research papers   |

### C. Course Content

| No               | List of Topics  | Contact Hours |
|------------------|---|---------------|
| 1.               | Introduction: Concepts of natural product chemistry. Traditional and modern approaches to the study of natural products ,chemistry of natural products and classification of the various classes of natural products.   | 2             |
| 2.               | General methods of isolation, separation, purification, and structure determination of the natural products.  | 2             |
| 3.               | Chemistry of of terpenes, the structure ,classification and biosynthesis of the terpenes, building blocks of Monoterpenes sesquiterpenes diterpenes and triterpenes based on the combination of a given number of isoprene units. Medicinal use of terpenes,            | 6             |
| 4.               | Chemistry of steroids , general properties of the steroids, the structure, ,classification and biosynthesis of steroids. The importance of these compounds to humans will be mentioned.   | 2             |
| 5.               | Biosynthesis of Natural products and bio chemical reaction of natural products  | 4             |
| 6.               | biosynthesis of terpenes and steroids   | 4             |
| 7.               | Chemistry of alkaloids, general properties of the alkaloids; the structure, classification and biosynthesis of alkaloids. The importance of these compounds to humans will be mentioned.  | 4             |
| 8.               | Chemistry of flavonoids. The general definition of flavonoids, , general properties, the structure, their classifications,. The uses and benefits will be explored.   | 4             |
| 9.               | Other natural products of current interest  | 2             |
| <b>Total</b>     |   | <b>30</b>     |
| Practical part : |   |               |
| 1                | Educating students on the fundamental aspects of extracting bioactive extract from the sources  | 2             |
| 2                | Techniques and methodologies for the extraction and separation methods of natural products from plant   | 10            |
| 3                | Techniques for detection of phytochemical Groups in Extracts. Phytochemical tests are carried out on all extracts using standard procedures to identify the constituents. Qualitative analysis of the crude extracts are carried out as described by literature reports | 10            |





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|--------------|--|-----------|
| 4            | General principles, classification of chromatographic techniques, normal and reversed phase, stationary phases, activity of stationary phases, elutropic series, and separation mechanisms | 6         |
| 5            | Practical review   | 2         |
| <b>Total</b> |  | <b>30</b> |

#### D. Students Assessment Activities

| No           | Assessment Activities *   | Assessment timing (in week no) | Percentage of Total Assessment Score |
|--------------|---|--------------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| 1.           | Homework, exercises, periodic tests , Essays, laboratory reports, Presentation ,project | During the semester            | 10%                                  |
| 2.           | Mid term 1  | 6th week                       | 10%                                  |
| 3.           | Mid term 2  | 11 <sup>th</sup> week          | 10%                                  |
| 4.           | Electronic exam   | 12 <sup>th</sup> week          | 10%                                  |
| 5.           | Lab exam  | End of semester                | 20%                                  |
| 6.           | Final exam  | End of semester                | 40%                                  |
| <b>Total</b> |   |                                | <b>100 %</b>                         |

\*Assessment Activities (i.e., Written test, oral test, oral presentation, group project, essay, etc.).

#### E. Learning Resources and Facilities

##### 1. References and Learning Resources

|                                 |  |
|---------------------------------|--|
| <b>Essential References</b>     | Sujata V. Bhat and B. a. Nagasampag Natural Products: Chemistry and Applications 2009  |
| <b>Supportive References</b>    | Cutler, Stephen J.; Cutler, Horace G. Biologically active natural products: pharmaceuticals. CRC Press.. (2000). ISBN 978-0-8493-1887-0.   |
| <b>Electronic Materials</b>     | <a href="https://omictools.com/universal-natural-products-database-tool">https://omictools.com/universal-natural-products-database-tool</a><br><a href="http://dnp.chemnetbase.com/faces/chemical/ChemicalSearch.xhtml;jsessionid=07344CFA03634FFA92E7ABE55F6D8A74">http://dnp.chemnetbase.com/faces/chemical/ChemicalSearch.xhtml;jsessionid=07344CFA03634FFA92E7ABE55F6D8A74</a><br><a href="https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pubmed/24724941">https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pubmed/24724941</a><br><a href="https://iupac.org/what-we-do/databases/">https://iupac.org/what-we-do/databases/</a> |
| <b>Other Learning Materials</b> | ChemDraw Professional 17.0 Suite <a href="#">ACD/ChemSketch :: Draw Chemical Structures :: ACD/Labs</a><br><br>ACD/ChemSketch for Academic and Personal Use <a href="https://chemaxon.com/marvin">https://chemaxon.com/marvin</a>  |





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## 2. Required Facilities and equipment

| Items   | Resources  |
|---|--|
| <b>facilities</b><br>(Classrooms, laboratories, exhibition rooms, simulation rooms, etc.) | Class room, laboratory of Organic chemistry            |
| <b>Technology equipment</b><br>(projector, smart board, software)                         | The electronic platform, data show, Smart Board        |
| <b>Other equipment</b><br>(depending on the nature of the specialty)                      | Virtual laboratories<br>Research laboratory<br>Library |

## F. Assessment of Course Quality

| Assessment Areas/Issues                     | Assessor                   | Assessment Methods   |
|---|----------------------------|--|
| Effectiveness of teaching                   | Students                   | Student evaluation (electronically questionnaire) organized by the University          |
| Effectiveness of Students assessment        | Department                 | Analysis of electronically questionnaire. the Make decision through department Council |
| Quality of learning resources               | Department / staff members | Analysis of course report by Chemistry Department Council                              |
| The extent to which CLOs have been achieved | Department Faculty         | CLO Analysis Report  |
| Other                                       |                            |  |

**Assessors** (Students, Faculty, Program Leaders, Peer Reviewers, Others (specify))

**Assessment Methods** (Direct, Indirect)

## G. Specification Approval

|                           |                              |            |
|---------------------------|------------------------------|------------|
| <b>COUNCIL /COMMITTEE</b> | Chemistry Department Council |            |
| <b>REFERENCE NO.</b>      | 17                           |            |
| <b>DATE</b>               | 14/6/1446                    | 15/12/2024 |

