

## Syllabus

### Course description

<b>Course title</b>	Sample Preparation Techniques and Analysis of Contaminants
<b>Course code</b>	44747
<b>Scientific sector</b>	CHIM/10
<b>Degree</b>	Master in Food Sciences for Innovation and Authenticity
<b>Semester</b>	1 <sup>st</sup>
<b>Year</b>	II
<b>Academic year</b>	2023/24
<b>Credits</b>	6
<b>Modular</b>	No

<b>Total lecturing hours</b>	50
<b>Total exercise hours</b>	10
<b>Attendance</b>	
<b>Prerequisites</b>	Food Chemistry
<b>Course page</b>	

<b>Specific educational objectives</b>	<p>The course gives a general overview of scientific contents, but is also designed for acquiring professional skills and knowledge on the following educational objectives:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Principle, parameter optimization and basic applications of innovative sample preparation techniques: supercritical fluid extraction (SFE), pressurized liquid extraction (PLE), microwave assisted extraction (MAE), membrane-based extraction, solid phase extraction (SPE), solid phase micro extraction (SPME), stir bar sorptive extraction (SBSE), headspace sorptive extraction (HSSE), headspace techniques, purge and trap.</li> <li>• Principle, advantages and application of hyphenated, multidimensional chromatographic techniques: coupled LC-LC and LC-LC-GC, LC-GC and GCxGC.</li> <li>• Chemical properties, origin, toxicity, distribution and analytical determination of the main organic contaminants in foods: PAHs, PCBs, dioxins, mineral oils, mycotoxins and residues of pesticides, antibiotics, anabolizing substances, and hormones.</li> </ul>
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<b>Learning outcomes</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Knowledge and understanding of principles and basic applications of advanced sample preparation techniques and coupled chromatographic</li> </ul>
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	<p>techniques for the analysis of trace contaminants in food.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Knowledge and understanding of main classes of organic contaminants in food (focusing on toxicity aspects, European legislation, and analytical techniques for their determination).</li> <li>• Acquire the skills to select and apply proper sample preparation methods and to understand and communicate health risks due to the presence of food contaminants</li> <li>• Acquire appropriate terminology and learning skills</li> </ul>
<b>Assessment</b>	Oral examination to ascertain the achievement of the expected learning outcomes
<b>Assessment language</b>	English
<b>Evaluation criteria and criteria for awarding marks</b>	Clarity of answers, mastery of language (also with respect to teaching language), ability to establish relationships between topics
<b>Required readings</b>	Lecture notes
<b>Supplementary readings</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Moret, G. Purcaro, L.S. Conte, Il campione per l'analisi chimica, Springer-Verlag Italia, Milano (2014)</li> <li>- Dean J.R., Extraction techniques in analytical science; Wiley (2009).</li> <li>- Mondello, Lewis and Bartle, Multidimensional Chromatography, Wiley and Sons, New York (2002).</li> <li>- Food Chemical safety Vol. 1: Contaminants, edited by David Watson, Published by Woodhead Publishing (2001).</li> </ul>