Heme Cell Therapy (HCT)
ME 440.99

General Information

COURSE CHAIR: Noah Merin, MD, PhD

STUDENT COORDINATOR’S CONTACT INFORMATION:
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STUDENTS/PERIOD: Max: one  Min: one

DURATION: Three weeks

Please visit our VSLO catalog for dates and to submit your application.

Requirement(s)

• USMLE Transcript of Scores

Description

Designed for students with an interest in hematologic malignancies and hematopoietic stem cell transplant. Students will do a work-up and admit and manage three to four patients per week with various neoplastic diseases.

Typical patients include those with acute leukemia, lymphoma, and those undergoing autologous or allogenic stem cell, transplants, or CAR T-cell therapy. Students will be involved in the continuous care of these patients, including management of internal medicine problems as a complication of the disease and its treatment. Students will review patient data, including laboratory data, bone marrow biopsies and radiographs. Students will also become knowledgeable in the management of severe anemia, thrombocytopenia and neutropenic fever.

Course Objectives

• Learn how to evaluate patients with blood malignancies.
• Management of oncologic and hematologic disorders.
• Management of therapy-related complications.
• Evaluation and management of internal medicine problems in blood cancer patients.
• Management of psychological aspects of neoplastic disorders.
• Management of terminal illness and palliative care.
• Management of bone marrow transplant patients.
• Management of neutropenic fevers.

Student Experiences

COMMON PROBLEMS/DISEASES:
• Leukemia
• Lymphoma
• Multiple myeloma
• Neutropenic fever
• Stem cell transplantation

INPATIENT: 90%
OUTPATIENT: 10%
CONSULTATION: 0%
PRIMARY CARE: 100%

CLOSE CONTACT WITH:
• Full-time faculty
• Clinical faculty
• Fellows
• Residents
• Interns
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### Typical Schedule

| Approx. # of Patients Evaluated Each Week by Student | 3 |
| Approx. # of Patients Evaluated Each Week by Service | 10 |

| **Typical Monday** | 8:00am – 10:30am: Work Rounds  
12:00pm – 1:00pm: Noon Conference – Work Rounds  
2:00pm – 3:00pm: Hem./Onc. Lectures |
| **Typical Tuesday** | 8–9 a.m.: Heme. Onc. – Grand Rounds  
p.m.: Work Rounds  
2:00pm – 3:00pm: Hem./Onc. Lectures |
| **Typical Wednesday** | 8:00am – 10:30am: Work Rounds  
12:00pm: Hem/Onc Tumor Board  
2:00pm – 3:00pm: Hem./Onc. Lectures |
| **Typical Thursday** | 8:00am – 10:30am: Work Rounds  
p.m.: Work Rounds  
2:00pm – 3:00pm: Hem./Onc. Lectures |
| **Typical Friday** | 8:00 am - 8:30 am: Work Rounds  
8:00 am - 9:30 am: Grand Rounds  
p.m.: Work Rounds |
| **On-Call Schedule** | Every third night call. |
| **Weekend Activities** | Every third night call. |
| **Additional Comments/Special Requirements** | NONE |