

Selected courses in English in the academic year 2010/2011

KUL institute/department:	Institute of Environmental Protection/ Biochemistry and Environmental Chemistry
Course title:	Oxygenology
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ECTS credits:	4
Course duration (1 st , 2 nd or both semesters):	both semesters
Number of hours per week:	Two hours
Course type:	lecture
Level:	monograph
Course description:	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Definition and role of oxygenology 2. Appearance of oxygen in the environment (paleoxygenology) 3. Oxygen discovery 4. Oxygen - its forms and properties 5. Reactive oxygen forms 6. Oxygen circle and balance <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - oxygen production and uptake (sinks and sources, ecosystems producing oxygen-wetlands) - global oxygen balance 7. Atmospheric oxygenology (oxygen distribution in the atmosphere, ozone concentration, formation and decomposition) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - oxygen distribution and circulation within atmosphere - ozone in the atmosphere (formation and decomposition) - effect ozone on organisms (microbes, plants, animals, men) 8. Soil oxygenology <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - oxygen demand-microbial, mezofaunal and root respiration, transport (mass and diffusion in depth and diurnal and seasonal dynamics, effect on soil properties and processes (redox resistance and transformation) - oxygenology of landfills (phases of landfills biochemical processes, methanogenesis and methanotrophy) - oxygenology of earth crust (mines, ventilation, oxygen and methane)

	<p style="text-align: center;">distribution in mines)</p> <p>9. Aquatic oxygenology</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - oxygenology of oceans (stratification, temperature and oxygen production, demand and distribution, oxygen transport, saturation of ice with oxygen) - marine oxygenology (stratification, oxygen production and absorption, saturation, profile in depth and seasonal dynamics) - lymnooxygenology (stratification, oxygen demand and production, oxygen distribution with depth and seasonal dynamics) <p>10. Biooxygenology</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Microbial oxygenology (aerobes, microaerophiles, facultative anaerobes, obligatory anaerobes), respiration, response to oxygen deficiency and surplus - Phytoxygenology (plants as oxygen source and sinks, respiration, response to oxygen deficiency and surplus) - Zooxygenology (soil mezofauna, aquatic mezofauna, fish, mamals) - Human oxygenology: oxygen demand, oxygen transport through the blood circulation system, anoxic zones within organisms, response to oxygen deficiency and hiperoxygen concentration, optimum oxygen. <p>11. A look head</p>
<p>Required reading list:</p>	<p>Oxygen, the molecule that made the world. Nick Lane. Oxford University Press 2002.</p> <p>Anoxia and oxidative stress: lipid peroxidation, antioxidant status and mitochondrial functions in plants. Olga Blokhina, Ac.Diss. Helsinki 2000.</p> <p>Soil aeration and its role for plants. Glinski J., Stepniewski W. CRC Press 1985.</p> <p>Biogeochemistry, An analysis of global change. W.H. Schlesinger. Academic Press San Diego, London, Boston, New York, Tokyo, Toronto 1997.</p> <p>Druga twarz tlenu. G.Rartosz. PWN 1995.</p> <p>Soil microbiology and Biochemistry E.A.</p>

	Paul,F.E.Clark.Academic Press. 1996. Biochemistry and Molecular Biology W.H.Elliot, D.C.Elliot, Oxford University Press 2002.
Prerequisites:	not
Assessment method:	Oral exam
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