

**UČNI NAČRT PREDMETA / COURSE SYLLABUS**

<b>Predmet:</b>	Izbrane metode za karakterizacijo lesa in lignoceluloznih kompozitov
<b>Course title:</b>	Selected methods for characterisation of wood and lignocellulosic composites

Študijski program in stopnja Study programme and level	Študijska smer Study field	Letnik Academic year	Semester Semester
Interdisciplinarni doktorski študijski program BIOZNANOSTI 3. stopnja	Les in biokompoziti	1,2	1,2,3,4
Interdisciplinary Doctoral Study Programme in BIOSCIENCES 3rd cycle	Wood and biocomposites	1,2	1,2,3,4

**Vrsta predmeta / Course type**

individualno raziskovalni predmet /  
Elective individual research course

**Univerzitetna koda predmeta / University course code:**

Predavanja Lectures	Seminar Seminar	Vaje Tutorial	Klinične vaje work	Druge oblike študija	Samost. delo Individ. work	ECTS
/	10	15	/	/	100	5

**Nosilec predmeta / Lecturer:** Nosilec: prof. dr. Miha Humar

<b>Jeziki / Languages:</b>	<b>Predavanja / Lectures:</b> slovenski / angleški Slovene / English
	<b>Vaje / Tutorial:</b> slovenski / angleški Slovene / English

**Pogoji za vključitev v delo oz. za opravljanje študijskih obveznosti:** **Prerequisites:**

Splošni pogoji za vpis na doktorski študij

Basic preconditions for doctoral studies

**Vsebina:**

Les je v biološkem smislu definiran kot sekundarni ksilem, v tehničnem pa kot polimerni kompozit. Za les je tako značilna izjemna medvrstna variabilnost, prav tako pa tudi velika variabilnost znotraj vrste in celo posameznega drevesa. Četudi je les v splošnem zgrajen iz polimernih gradnikov, celuloze, lignina in hemiceluloz, je njihova

**Content (Syllabus outline):**

Wood is defined as a secondary xylem in biological sense, and as a polymer composite in a technical sense. Wood exhibits extremely high interspecific variability, which gets highly complex due to variability within the species and even within an individual tree. Although wood is in general composed of structural polymers cellulose, lignin and hemicelluloses, their

vsebnost in razporeditev v steni posameznih celic dodaten dejavnik variabilnosti materiala. Les pa ni le variabilen in nehomogen temveč tudi izrazito anizotropen material. Poleg makromolekul, se v lesu nahajajo tudi nizko molekularne spojine (ekstraktivi), ki imajo kljub majhnemu deležu nesorazmerno velik vpliv na lastnosti lesa.

Zaradi strukturne in kemijske variabilnosti ter nehomogenosti je les izredno zapleten raziskovalni objekt. Tako sistem vzorčenja kot priprava materiala in aplikacija sicer splošno uveljavljenih raziskovalnih metod terjajo specifične pristope.

Namen predmeta je študentom doktorskega študija predstaviti najpomembnejše tehnike in metode, ki so na voljo na Oddelku za lesarstvo, oziroma metode, ki so nam na voljo na podlagi dogovorov s partnerskimi organizacijami. Student bo pridobil pregled o njihovo primernost ter prednostih in slabostih v raziskavah lesa in lignoceluloznih materialov. Metode bodo predstavili predavatelji, ki jih redno uporabljajo pri svojem raziskovalnem delu in med drugim vključujejo različne tehnike svetlobne mikroskopije, spektroskopske metode (FTIR, XRF, NMR, AAS, TOC, CNS, UV Vis), metode za termične analize (DSC, TGA), kromatografske metode (TLC, HPLC), ekstrakcjske metode, metode mokre kemije, metode za analizo lesnih površin, mikrobiološke metode, destruktivna in nedestruktivna mehanska preizkušanja, reološke metode, metode kontrole vlažnosti lesa...

V dogovoru z nosilcem predmeta in delovnim/predvidenim mentorjem bo študent izbral nekaj metod, jih teoretsko in praktično osvojil in uporabil na izbranem problemu, povezanim s temo predvidene doktorske naloge.

Predmet ni namenjen le preiskavi lesa, temveč tudi analizi ostalih lignoceluloznih materialov, kot so rastlinska vlakna, papir, konoplja, miskantus...

content and distribution in the wall of individual cells represent an additional factor in material variability. However, wood is not only variable and inhomogeneous material but anisotropic as well. In addition to macromolecules, wood contains relatively small amount of low molecular weight compounds, which in turn, have a high impact on wood properties.

Wood is an extremely complicated research object due to its structural and chemical variability and heterogeneity. Hence, the system of sampling, preparation of material and application of commonly accepted methods demand a specific approach.

The purpose of this course is to provide a short introduction regarding the selected techniques and methods to the PhD students. The methods will be selected from the pool of methods that are available at the Department of Wood Science and Technology, and methods that are available to us on the basis of agreements with partner organizations. The students will gain an overview of their suitability and their advantages and disadvantages when applied on wood and lignocellulosic materials. In the first step, the methods will be introduced by lecturers who are regularly using them in their research work. The most important methods are: various techniques of light microscopy , spectroscopic methods (FTIR, XRF, NMR, AAS, TOC, CNS, UV- Vis...), methods of thermal analysis (DSC, TGA ...), chromatographic methods (TLC , HPLC), extraction methods, methods of wet chemistry, methods for surface analysis, microbiological methods, destructive and non-destructive mechanical testing, rheological methods, methods to control humidity of wood ...

In agreement with a lecturer and the proposed supervisor and based on the planned research plan, a student will select few methods and theoretically and practically apply them to the selected problem.

This course is not dedicated to wood only, but also to the analysis of other lignocellulosic materials, such as plant fibers, paper, hemp, miscanthus ...

#### Temeljni literatura in viri / Readings:

Skoog D. A., Holler F. J., Crouch S. R. 2006. Principles of instrumental analysis. Thomson Higher education, Belmont, 529 p. ISBN-13: 978-0495012016

Merritt W., Settle D. 2013. Instrumental Methods of Analysis Wadsworth Publishing Company, Wadsworth. 895 p. ISBN: 0534081428

Bucur V. 2003. Nondestructive Characterization and Imaging of Wood. Springer. Berlin. 354 p. ISBN: 978-3-662-08986-6

Študentom bo na razpolago tudi gradivo s predavanj in vaj v elektronski obliki. Gradivo bo objavljeno pred začetkom predavanj na spletni strani. Za izdelavo seminarskih nalog in dodatno razumevanje vsebin bodo študentje uporabili tudi svetovni splet (internet).

### Cilji in kompetence:

Cilj predmeta je seznaniti slušatelje z izbranimi metodami za analizo lesa, lesnih kompozitov in različnih drugih lignoceluloznih materialov. Študentom bomo predstavili tako teoretske osnove, kot tudi možne aplikacije izbranih metod. V okviru predmeta se bodo seznanili tako s prednostmi, kot tudi omejitvami posameznih metod.

#### Kompetence:

Posamezne metode bodo preizkušene na realnem primeru. Te metode bodo študentje sposobni samostojno uporabiti pri nadalnjem raziskovalnem delu.

### Objectives and competences:

The aim of this course is to inform students with selected methods for the analysis of wood, wood based composites, and various other lignocellulosic materials. Students will be informed both on theoretical foundations as well as on possible applications of the selected methods on wood or wood based materials. The topic of the course will be about both the advantages and limitations of the selected methods.

#### Competencies:

Each method will be applied on a real case. These methods will enable students to perform independent research in the frame of their future research work.

### Predvideni študijski rezultati:

#### Znanje in razumevanje:

Spozнати najpomembnejše raziskovalne metode, ki so na voljo za analizo lesa in lignoceluloznih kompozitov.

#### Refleksija:

Kritično ovrednotiti primernost posamezne raziskovalne metode za doseg raziskovalnega cilja.

#### Uporaba:

Uporabiti izbrane metode na lastnem problemu in jih preizkusiti na praktičnem primeru v laboratoriju. Naučiti se izbrati ustrezne metode za potrditev postavljenih hipotez.

### Intended learning outcomes:

#### Knowledge and Understanding:

To learn about the most important research methods that are available for the analysis of wood and lignocellulosic composites.

#### Reflection:

To evaluate Critically the suitability of particular research methods in order to achieve the research objective.

#### Application:

To use the chosen methods on the problem of their own and apply them on a case study in the laboratory. To learn how to choose the appropriate method to confirm selected hypotheses.

<b>Metode poučevanja in učenja:</b> Seminarji (10 ur), Laboratorijske vaje (15 ur)	<b>Learning and teaching methods:</b> Seminar (10 h) Laboratory work (15 h)
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<b>Načini ocenjevanja:</b>	<b>Delež (v %) / Weight (in %)</b>	<b>Assessment:</b>
Pisni in ustni izpit Seminar	60% 40%	Oral and written exam Seminar

#### Reference nosilca / Lecturer's references:

##### Miha Humar

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2. HUMAR, Miha, LESAR, Boštjan. Performance of native and copper-ethanolamine-treated wood exposed in sea water at Port Koper, Slovenia. *Drvna industrija*, ISSN 0012-6772, 2013, vol. 64, no. 4, str. 273-281.
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