Action plan based on students’ feedback regarding the 1st semester of the 2022/2023 academic year

Department: Department of Molecular Biology
Faculty: Faculty of Dentistry
Compulsory subjects: Medical Chemistry; Molecular Cell Biology I
Elective subjects: Basics of Medical Chemistry

1. Response to the general comments:
We thank our students for sharing with us their opinion on the activity and performance of the department. We appreciate a lot that the majority of those students who enrolled in our compulsory and elective courses felt it important to give us feedback. Although the scores regarding the compulsory courses are still slightly (but not significantly) below the Faculty average, we are pleased to see a considerable improvement compared to last year. Hopefully, this is recognition of our efforts to improve molecular science education for dental students. In particular, Basics of Medical Chemistry has received compliments, which we see as further support for our commitment to provide help to students with weak chemistry background.

2. Response to specific comments on compulsory subjects:
Thank you for appreciating the proficiency and helpfulness of lecturers and lab teachers. Criticism related to lab teachers will be forwarded to them.

“… during MCB lab it is usually hard to understand the purpose of practical and majority of students just follow the guide for practice without understanding.”
We hope that this is not a general problem, but rather a one-off and exceptional one, as a clear explanation of the practice is a declared priority for laboratory teachers. In fact, they need to explain the underlying theoretical material in more depth than originally planned, as the attendance of lectures presenting the theoretical background essential for understanding the labs has recently become critically low.

3. Response to specific comments on elective subjects:
None received.

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