**30/NWP/SCM**

**Tropical Medicine: Malaria, Tuberculosis and other Infections**

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**Aims**

* Cover infectious diseases that are common both in the UK and in developing countries, including malaria, tuberculosis, meningoccal infections, HIV and other viral, protozoal and helminthic infections.
* To develop skills to assess the scientific validity and practical relevance of medical articles.
* Focus on one smaller area within the fields of Malaria or TB in greater detail and write a brief dissertation.

**Background Information**

Unrivalled clinical material in the UK with enthusiastic teaching staff. The course is integrated with the core Infectious Diseases & Tropical Medicine teaching and is a good preparation for the final Medicine MB examination.

**Key Learning Events**

* Students will join the consultants on their ward rounds
* Separate sessions will be set aside to explore the specialist areas in greater depth. Two areas of malaria and tuberculosis respectively will serve as paradigms in understanding of two of the most important infections encountered in resource poor countries.

**Recommended Reading**

You should have read the chapters on malaria and/or tuberculosis in any of the major medical and/or infectious diseases textbooks, for example:

*The Oxford Textbook of Medicine* (Oxford University Press),

Mandell, Douglas and Bennett, *Principles and Practice of Infectious Diseases* (Churchill Livingstone)

Manson, *Tropical Diseases* edited by Gordon Cook 20th Edition (Saunders).

An excellent single volume is Dion Bell, *Lecture Notes on Tropical Medicine* , (Blackwell Science).

I shall provide a copy of Greenhalgh, How to Read a paper, 2nd Edition (BMJ Books)

**Assessment**

This will be based on attendance, an oral case presentation, about 3,000 word dissertation on one of the essay topics in malaria or tuberculosis, and a short multiple choice test.

**Periods when the module is available:**

All

**Maximum number of students per period: 1**