

**Discipline MCP5901**   
**Hot topics in Nutrition Research in Cardiovascular Diseases**

**Concentration area:** 5131

**Creation:** 09/05/2024

**Activation:** 09/05/2024

**Credits:** 2

**Workload:**

<b>Theory</b> <b>(weekly)</b>	<b>Practice</b> <b>(weekly)</b>	<b>Study</b> <b>(weekly)</b>	<b>Duration</b>	<b>Total</b>
6	2	2	3 weeks	30 hours

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**Objectives:**

To contribute to an updated and critical education on the role of diet as an essential and adjuvant strategy for primary and secondary prevention of cardiovascular diseases, their risk factors and comorbidities.

**Rationale:**

The incidence of cardiovascular disease is directly related to the prevention and appropriate management of modifiable risk factors (obesity, dyslipidemia, hypertension, diabetes mellitus, smoking, and sedentary lifestyle). Among these, diet in its dimensions (nutrients, bioactive compounds, foods, and eating patterns) has shown proven efficacy. Although metabolic studies confirm the potential of nutrients as modulating agents of cellular and molecular pathways directly related to cardiovascular diseases and observational studies show a reduction in cardiometabolic risk, randomized controlled trials with large sample size and often multicenter do not always raise this level of evidence. Given this scenario, the proposal of this discipline is justified in the interdisciplinary scientific training in cardiology.

**Content:**

The course will offer updated scientific content on diet, mechanisms modulated by nutrients and bioactive compounds, within a critical approach on analytical methods and based on randomized and controlled clinical trials, systematic reviews, meta-analysis and umbrella reviews on cardiovascular diseases. The main topics covered will be: Nutrition, lipid metabolism and HDL functionality Differential role of fructose, resistant starch, dietary fiber and sucrose in CVD. High-lipidic and ketogenic diets and their impact on CVD Diet, migrants and CVD Dietary patterns and CVD Omega-3: far beyond hypertriglyceridemia Diet and CVD in the Age of Broad Spectrum Gene Sequencing Diet, obesity and adipose tissue metabolism Dietary modulation of the Microbiota and systemic inflammation in the context of CVD Diet and LDL: Composition and functionality.

### **Type of Assessment:**

The learning evaluation will be done face-to-face. Two evaluation strategies will be adopted: Seminars/guiding questions in groups developed within the themes covered in class (35% of the final grade), individual work delivered at the end of the course (30% of the final grade) and participation in the discussions held in the forums throughout the course (35%).

### **Notes/Remarks:**

The course will have a minimum number of 10 and a maximum number of 30 students. There is no need for students to have taken other courses. The course will be offered 100% face-to-face, with activities posted in USP's e-disciplines virtual learning environment and using the Google Meets platform. The course accepts students from other PG USP and HEIs in the country, the latter as special students. Approval is conditional on 75% class attendance and the completion of all the activities included in the schedule.

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**Languages taught:**

Portuguese

**Class type:**

Presencial