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## Phytopharmacology 748 (BOT 748)

<b>Qualification</b>	Postgraduate
<b>Faculty</b>	<a href="#">Faculty of Natural and Agricultural Sciences</a>
<b>Module credits</b>	10.00
<b>Programmes</b>	<a href="#">BScHons Option: Medicinal Plant Science</a>
<b>Prerequisites</b>	No prerequisites.
<b>Contact time</b>	1 discussion class per week, 1 practical per week
<b>Language of tuition</b>	English
<b>Academic organisation</b>	Plant and Soil Sciences
<b>Period of presentation</b>	Semester 1

### Module content

Pharmacological action of low molecular plant constituents and high molecular weight compounds. Plant constituents as anticancer, antibacterial, antiviral, hypoglycaemic, freeradical scavengers, hypotensive and as anti-inflammatory agents. Cell culturing, cell growth and apoptosis, cell mediated immune responses. Drug development in TB as models for research. Enzymes, receptors and plant constituents. The unique challenges of plant-based medicines.

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