STEM for the Youngest

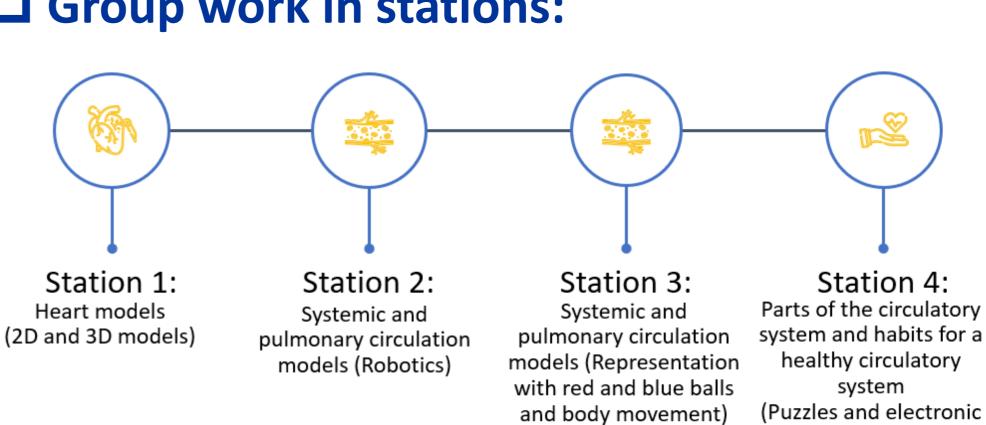


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«Little cardiologists»

Embodied learning activities for teaching about the circulatory system

- Subject: Natural Sciences
- ☐ Unit: Body and Health/ Circulatory system
- ☐ Grade: 5th (10-11 years old)
- ☐ Duration: 80 minutes
- Learning goals: Students should be able to describe the blood circulation, refer to habits promoting a healthy circulatory system (diet, exercise, avoiding smoking) and explain what the scientific models are
- ☐ Connection to everyday life: Adoption of habits that promote health
- ☐ Pedagogical approach: Embodied learning
- ☐ Group work in stations:





Embodied learning promotes inclusive education. It is based on the theory of embodied cognition (Martínez-Monés et al., 2020), according to which, cognitive procedures are based on the interaction of the body with the environment. Thus, the body influence the learning procedures (Kosmas, Ioannou, & Retalis, 2017). Empirical research showed that embodied teaching, has positive learning results (Lindgren et al. 2016).

"Little cardiologists" is a proposal on how to use embodied activities to enhance learning in an inclusive and pleasant learning environment.