

# **Master Molecular Life Sciences – Microbiology, Biotechnology and Biochemistry**

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## **MSc/PhD Program**

# **Molecular Life Sciences - Microbiology, Biotechnology and Biochemistry**

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## Key feature:

### Research-oriented Studies

#### Primary Model Organisms:

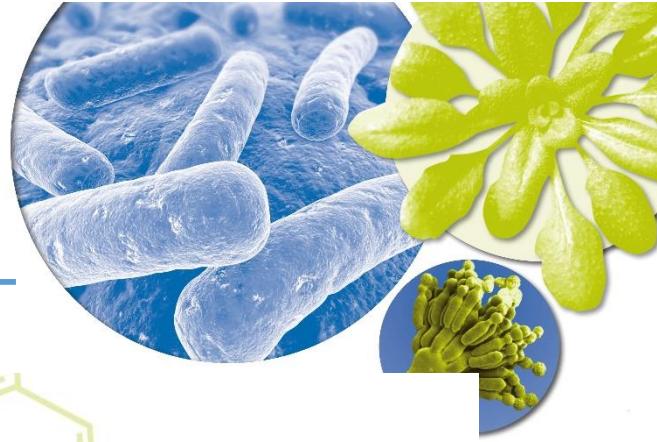
**Microorganisms** (single cell, multicellular)



Plant-Microbe Interactions

**Plants**

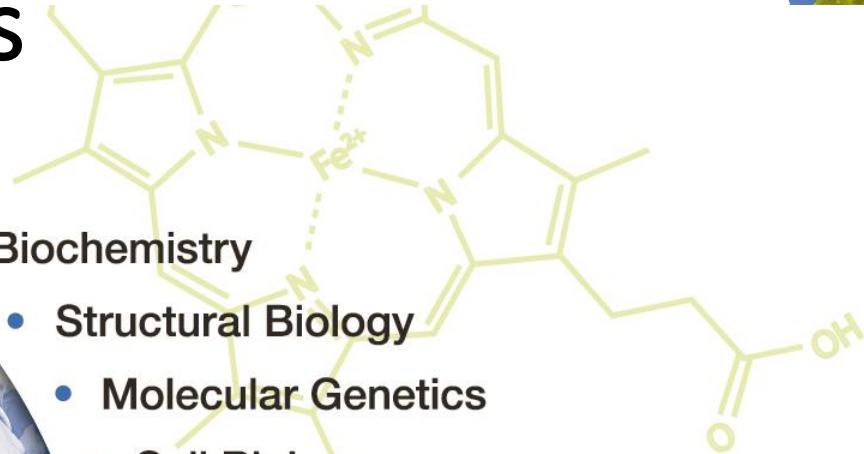
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## Subjects

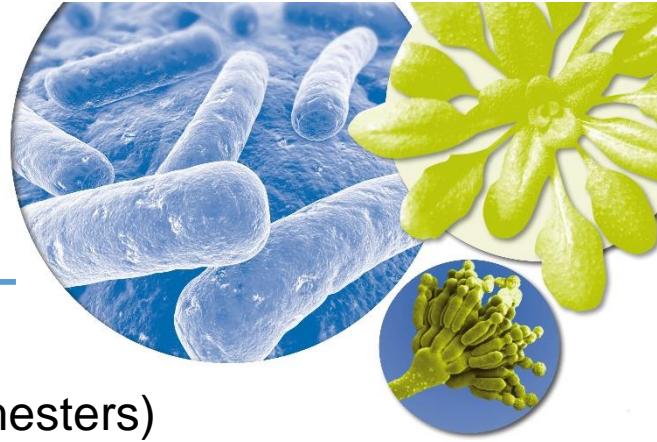


- Biochemistry
- Structural Biology
- Molecular Genetics
- Cell Biology
- Microbiology
- Biotechnology
- Plant Molecular Biology
- Plant-Microbe Interactions
- Chemical Biology
- -Omics
- Biophysics
- Bioinformatics



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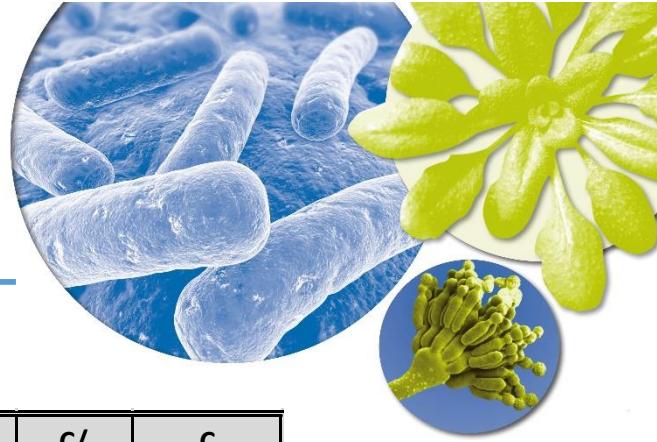
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## Key features

- from BSc to MSc in 2 years (4 semesters)
- consistent focused program
- 120 credits according to the European Credit Transfer System (ECTS)
  - program limited to 48 students
  - English as main teaching language
- practical training in small groups with state of the art equipment
  - inspiring international research environment
  - complementary training (“soft skills”)
- direct access to the PhD programs of the faculty for excellent students

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## Basic structure

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core module	3	lecture + seminar/tutorial + methods course	choice of 7 different modules	12	36

## Seven Core Modules

"General and Applied Microbiology"

"Molecular Genetics & Microbial Cell Biology"

„Applied Bioinformatics in Molecular Bioscience“

"Enzyme Catalysis and Chemical Biology"

"Cell & Molecular Biology of Plant-Microbe Interactions"

"Structural Biochemistry"

"Biochemistry & Biophysics"

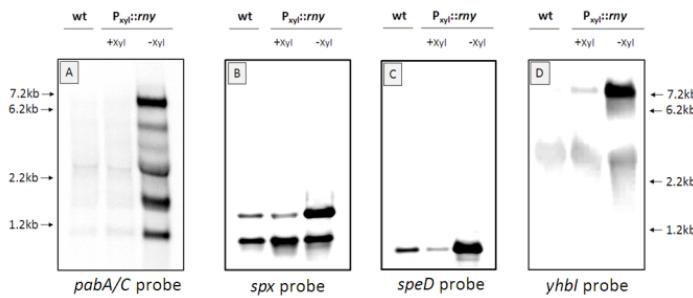
# „M.Bio.101 General & Applied Microbiology“



Prof. Jörg Stülke

Metabolic and  
Regulatory  
Patterns in Bacterial  
Cells

Regulated protein-RNA  
Interaction



PD Dr. Michael Hoppert

Biomineral formation  
Terrestrial microalgal  
biofilms



Prof. Rolf Daniel

PD Dr. Heiko Liesegang

(Meta)genomics

Applied Microbiology  
Synthetic Microbiology

Genes and enzymes  
for biotechnology



Bioretech  
Network Centre Göttingen

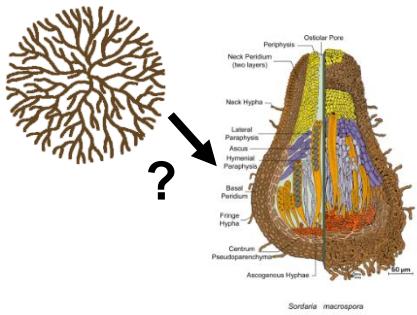
GenoMik

# „M.Bio.102 Molecular Genetics & Microbial Cell Biology“



Prof. Stefanie Pöggeler

Fruiting-body  
Development in  
Filamentous Ascomycetes



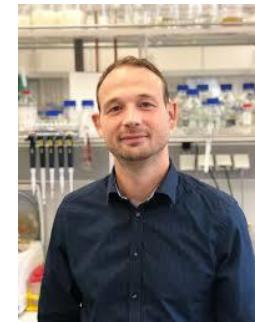
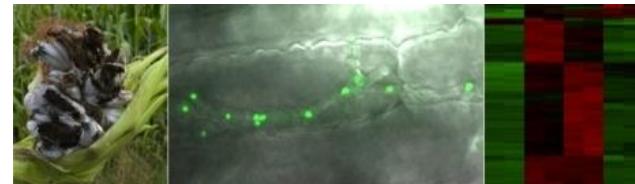
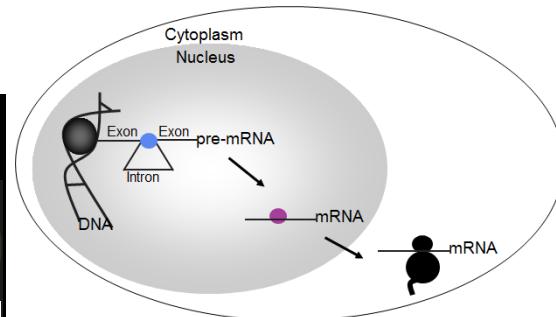
Prof. Gerhard Braus

Fungal Genetics,  
Development and  
Cell Biology



Prof. Heike Krebber

Nucleocytoplasmic  
Transport



Prof. Kai Heimel

Unfolded Protein Response  
in Filamentous Fungi

# „M.Bio.105 Applied Bioinformatics in Molecular Bioscience“

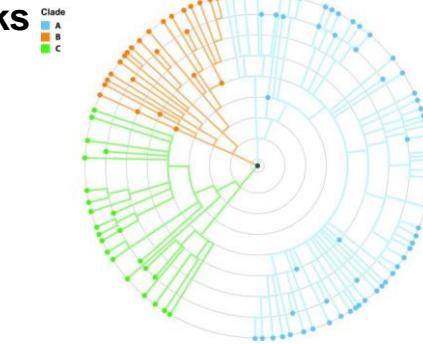
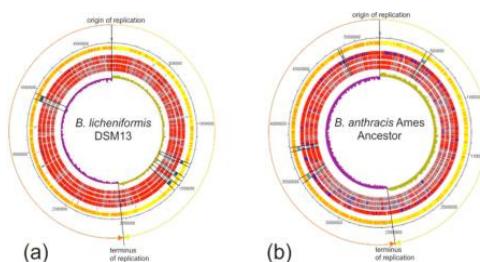


Prof. Rolf Daniel

PD Dr. Heiko Liesegang

**Handling of programs, bioinformatic tools and databases with respect to data-driven Omics-based research**

- Application of bioinformatic approaches in molecular phylogeny, evolution, genome dynamics und (meta)Omics
- Bioinformatic analysis of RNAs and proteins
- Identification of motifs and genes
- Generation and analysis of metabolic models and networks

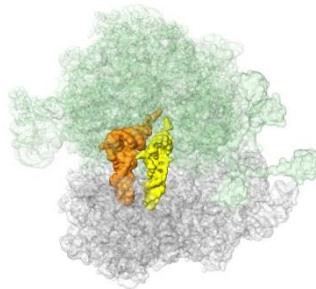
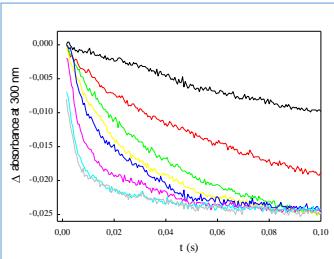


# „M.Bio 108 Enzyme Catalysis & Chemical Biology“



Prof. Kai Tittmann

**Reaction mechanisms of  
thiamin-dependent enzymes  
and flavoenzymes**

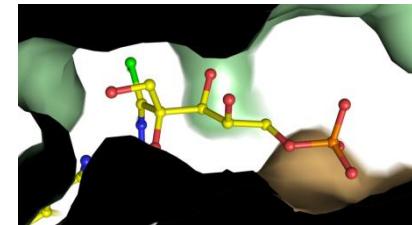


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Prof. Marina Rodnina

**Kinetics of  
Bacterial Translation**



- Reaction mechanisms of enzymes and macromolecular machines
  - Kinetics and thermodynamics of biochemical reactions
    - Synthesis of biooligomers and ligands
    - Chemical model systems of enzymes

# „M.Bio.104 Cell & Molecular Biology of Plant-Microbe Interactions“



Prof. Volker Lipka

Signal perception &  
dynamic cellular defence  
in plant innate immunity



Prof. N.N.

Molecular Stress Physiology



# „M.Bio.107 Biochemistry & Biophysics“



Prof. Ivo Feussner

**Biochemical analysis of carbohydrates, lipids, proteins and nucleic acids (HPLC / GC / GCMS / UPLCMS / ESIMS)**

**Plant biotechnology for production of renewable resources**



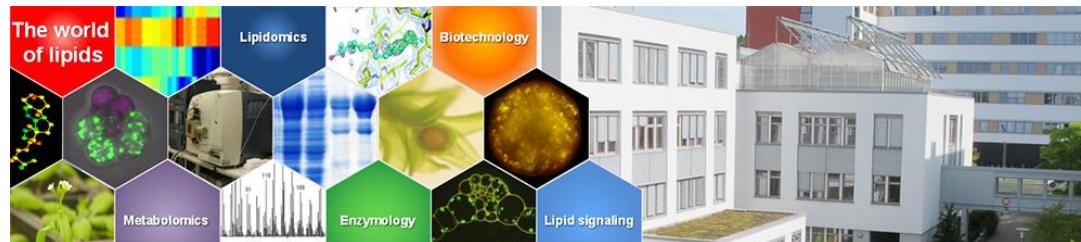
Prof. Claudia Steinem



Prof. Andreas Janshoff

**Spectroscopy of biomolecules (fluorescence, FT-IR, CD, UV/Vis), optical microscopy, scanning probe techniques**

- Plant primary and secondary metabolism → Metabolomics
- Lipid metabolism, enzymes of lipid metabolism and lipids as signal molecules
  - Modern biophysical methods for analysis of biomolecules
- Molecular biochemistry and biophysics of different classes of biomolecules
  - Functional analysis of membrane proteins



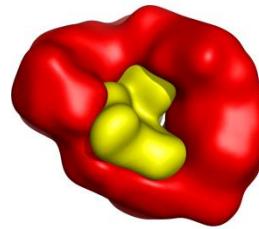
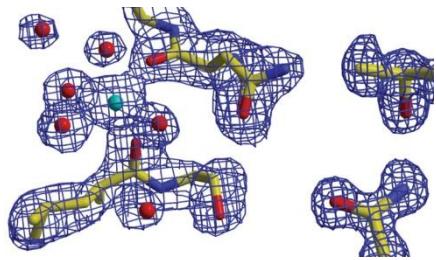
# „M.Bio.106 Structural Biochemistry“



Prof. Ralf Ficner

Molecular structural biology

RNA processing & transport



Structure-function relationship  
Protein-Protein interaction  
Protein-RNA-DNA recognition

Structure-based drug design

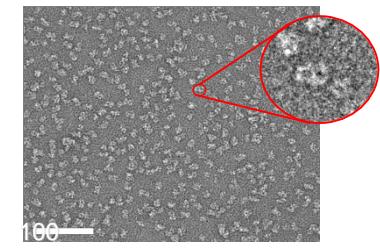
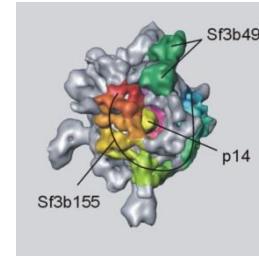


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MPI for Multidisciplinary Science

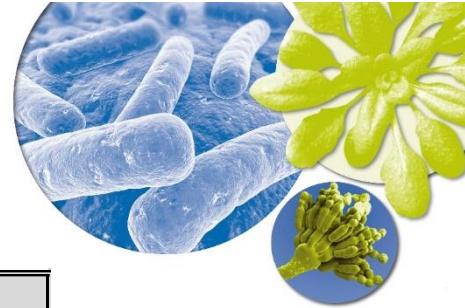
Prof. Holger Stark

3D Electron Cryomicroscopy



Methods in Structural Biology  
X-ray crystallography  
NMR spectroscopy  
Electron Microscopy  
Computational Methods

# Profile module (12C)



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(flexibility option)

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## examples for approved external profile modules:

University Uppsala, **Sweden**

University of Queensland, Brisbane, **Australia**

Sanford Burnham Medical Research Institute, San Diego, **USA**

Donnelly Center, Toronto, **Canada**

Sainsbury Laboratory, Norwich, **United Kingdom**

University of Exeter, **United Kingdom**

University of Aberdeen, **United Kingdom**

Massey University, **New Zealand**

Module M.MM.101 "Biomolecules and Pathogens" of Master program "**Molecular Medicine**" in **Göttingen**

Internships in departments of the **MPI for Multidisciplinary Science, Göttingen**

Internship in pharmaceutical or chemistry industry:

Henkel AG & Co, **Düsseldorf**, Bayer Crop Science, **Monheim**, DSM Nutritional Products, **Basel**, BASF, **Ludwigshafen**

# Key Competence Module (2-12C)



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e.g.

language courses

German language courses (6 C) for students with fair language skills (B1)

„Industry excursions“

MLS = Master „Molecular Life Sciences – Microbiology, Biotechnology and Biochemistry“

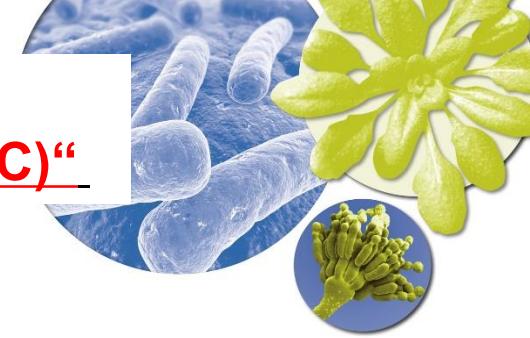
DNB = Master "Developmental, Neural, and Behavioral Biology"

BEE = Master "Biodiversity and Ecology"

ZESS = "Zentrale Einrichtung für Sprach- und Schlüsselkompetenzen," (e.g. language courses)

## **Master Programme (M.Bio.150)**

### **Key Competence Module “Industry excursion” (3C)“**



- 3 days excursion: WS semester break
- visit of companies which hire molecular biologists/biochemists
- get an insight into the job of molecular biologist/biochemist in the industry

## **Master Programme (M.Bio.149)**

### **Key Competence Module**

### **“Planing and organization of Industry excursions (3C)“**

- selection and contact of the companies
- travel organization: bus operators, youth hostal etc.

Admission requirements: participation in the core module M.Bio.102  
**“Molecular Genetics and Microbial Cell Biology“**



# Industry excursion 2024

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seit 1856



Plant breeding and seed company  
KWS Saat AG Einbeck



Global supplier of fragrances,  
flavors, and ingredients for both  
food and cosmetics, Holzminden

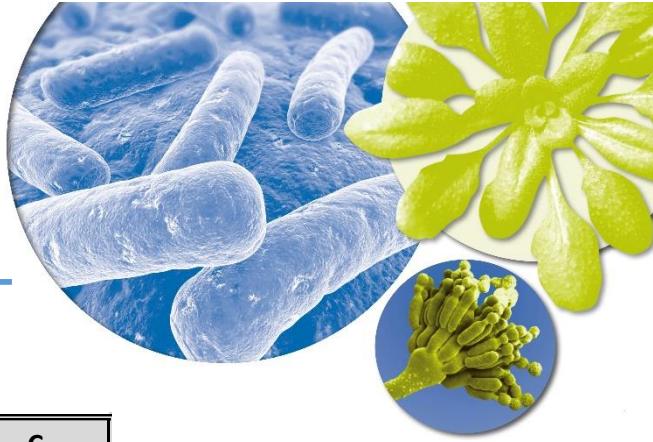


Pharmaceutical company  
Evotec, Göttingen



NextPharma contract  
development and manufacturing  
company. Production of high  
variety of pharmaceutical dosage  
forms which include solids,  
liquids and semi-solids., Göttingen

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<b>advanced module</b>	<b>1</b>	7 weeks lab course I		<b>12</b>	<b>30</b>
	<b>1</b>	7 weeks lab course II		<b>12</b>	
	<b>1</b>	scientific project management		<b>6</b>	
<b>Master thesis</b> (26 weeks)					<b>30</b>

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	1	7 weeks lab course II		12	
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exemplary study plan	
core I	12
core II	12
key competence	6

profile	
core III	12
key competence	6

advanced I	
advanced II	12
scientific project management	6

Master thesis	30	PhD (GAUSS)
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# Timetable winter term



Time/ Weekday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
8 - 9	M.Bio.101/M.Bio.141 <b>Microbiology</b> (lecture/seminar) **	M.Bio.102/M.Bio.142 <b>Genetics and cell biology</b> (lecture/seminar)**	M.Bio.108/158 <b>Enzymes and biological Chemistry</b> (lecture/tutorial)	M.Bio.102/M.Bio.142 (lecture/seminar)**	M.Bio.101/M.Bio.141 (lecture/seminar)**
9 - 10					
10 - 11					
11 - 12	M.Bio.108/M.Bio.158 (lecture/tutorial)				

October		November		December		January		February	
1 Sa		1 Di		1 Do	M.Bio.102	1 So		1 Mi	
2 So		2 Mi		2 Fr		2 Mo		2 Do	
3 Mo	Tag der Deutschen Einheit	3 Do		3 Sa		3 Di		3 Fr	
4 Di		4 Fr		4 So		4 Mi		4 Sa	
5 Mi		5 Sa		5 Mo		5 Do		5 Fr	
6 Do	introductory meeting	6 So		6 Di		6 Fr		6 Sa	
7 Fr		7 Mo		7 Mi		7 Sa		7 Su	
8 Sa		8 Di		8 Do		8 Su		8 Fr	
9 So		9 Mi		9 Fr				9 Sa	
10 Mo		10 Do		10 Sa				10 Su	
11 Di		11 Fr		11 Sa				11 Fr	
12 Mi		12 Sa		12 Su				12 Sa	
13 Do		13 So		13 Fr				13 So	
14 Fr		14 Mo		14 Sa				14 Mo	
15 Sa		15 Do		15 Su				15 Do	
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21 Fr		21 Mo		21 Fr				21 Mo	
22 Sa		22 Di		22 Do				22 Do	
23 So		23 Mi		23 Fr				23 Fr	
24 Mo	M.Bio.101 General and applied microbiology	24 Do	M.Bio.102 Molecular genetics and microbial cell biology	24 Sa		24 Di		24 Fr	
25 Di		25 Fr		25 So		25 Mi		25 Sa	
26 Mi		26 Sa		26 Mo		26 Do		26 So	
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29 Sa		29 Di		29 Do		29 So		29 Fr	
30 So		30 Mi		30 Fr		30 Mo		30 Su	
31 Mo				31 Sa		31 Di	M.Bio.108		

Example! Check current schedule  
and course dates online.

christmas break

christmas break

# Timetable summer term



Time/ Weekday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
8 - 9	<b>M.Bio.107/147</b> <b>Biochemistry and Biophysics</b> (lecture)	<b>M.Bio.104/144</b> <b>Plant-microbe-IA</b> (lecture)	<b>Plant-microbe-IA</b> (lecture)	<b>M.Bio.107/147</b> <b>Biochemistry and Biophysics</b> (lecture/tutorial)	<b>Structural Biochemistry</b> (lecture/seminar)
9 - 10			<b>Plant-microbe-IA</b> (seminar)		
10 - 11					
11 - 12			<b>M.Bio.106/156</b> <b>Structural Biochemistry</b> (lecture)		

April		May		June		July		August	
1 Sa	1 Mo	2 So	2 Di	1 Do	1 Sa	2 So	2 Mo	3 Mo	3 Do
3 Mo	3 Mi	4 Mi	4 Do	3 Sa	3 So	4 Di	4 Mo	5 Mi	5 Do
4 Di	5 Fr	5 Do	5 Fr	5 Mo	6 Mi	6 Di	6 Mo	7 Mi	7 Do
5 Mi	6 Sa	6 Sa	6 Sa	6 Di	7 Mi	7 Mo	7 Mo	8 Mi	8 Do
6 Do	7 So	7 So	7 So	7 Mo	8 Mi	8 Fr	8 Fr	9 Mi	9 Do
7 Fr	8 Mo	8 Mo	8 Mo	8 Fr	9 Mi	9 Fr	9 Fr	10 Mi	10 Do
8 Sa	9 Di	9 Di	9 Di	9 Mo	10 Mi	10 Fr	10 Fr	11 Mi	11 Do
9 So	10 Mi	10 Mi	10 Mi	10 Mo	11 Mi	11 Fr	11 Fr	12 Mi	12 Sa
10 Mo	11 Di	11 Di	11 Di	11 Mo	12 Mi	12 Mi	12 Mi	13 Do	13 So
11 Di	easter break		14 Mi	14 Mi	15 Do	15 Do	15 Do	16 Mi	16 Do
12 Mi	Cellular and molecular biology of plants		15 Fr	15 Fr	16 Fr	16 Fr	16 Fr	17 Mo	17 Do
13 Do	M.Bio.104 Cellular and molecular biology of plants		17 Sa	17 Sa	18 So	18 So	18 So	19 Mi	19 Sa
14 Fr	M.Bio.107 Biochemistry or Biophys.		18 Do	18 Do	19 Mo	19 Mo	19 Mo	20 Di	20 So
15 Sa	M.Bio.107 Biochemistry or Biophys.		19 Fr	19 Fr	20 Di	20 Di	20 Di	21 Fr	21 Mo
16 So	M.Bio.107 Biochemistry or Biophys.		20 Sa	20 Sa	21 Mi	21 Mi	21 Mi	22 Sa	22 Di
17 Mo	M.Bio.107 Biochemistry or Biophys.		21 So	21 So	22 Do	22 Do	22 Do	23 So	23 Mi
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19 Mi	M.Bio.107 Biochemistry or Biophys.		23 Di	23 Di	24 Sa	24 Sa	24 Sa	25 Do	25 Fr
20 Do	M.Bio.107 Biochemistry or Biophys.		24 Mi	24 Mi	25 So	25 So	25 So	26 Mi	26 Sa
21 Fr	M.Bio.107 Biochemistry or Biophys.		25 Do	25 Do	26 Mo	26 Mo	26 Mo	27 Do	27 So
22 Sa	M.Bio.107 Biochemistry or Biophys.		26 Fr	26 Fr	27 Di	27 Di	27 Di	28 Fr	28 Mo
23 So	M.Bio.107 Biochemistry or Biophys.		27 Sa	27 Sa	28 Mi	28 Mi	28 Mi	29 Sa	29 Di
24 Mo	M.Bio.107 Biochemistry or Biophys.		28 So	28 So	29 Do	29 Do	29 Do	30 So	30 Mi
25 Di	M.Bio.108 Structural Biochemistry		29 Mo	29 Mo	30 Fr	30 Fr	30 Fr	31 Mo	31 Do
26 Mi	M.Bio.108 Structural Biochemistry		30 Di	30 Di					
27 Do	M.Bio.108 Structural Biochemistry		31 Mi	31 Mi					
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