

APPENDIX 4

International PhD Programme in Molecular Medicine – Study Plan

First study year

- 1.1 Lecture Series I (30 optional talks)***
- 1.2 Journal Club I* (1.5 hrs / 2 weeks)
- 1.3 Seminar Progress Report I (weekly)
- 1.4 Lecture “Improve your textbook knowledge”**
- 1.5 Seminar “Good Scientific Practice”
- 1.6 Project Plan: within the first 6 months, length 3-6 pages
- 1.7 Participation in the Spring and Fall Meetings of the Graduate School*****
- 1.8 One additional optional activity (8 hrs, e.g. minisymposia, excursions, workshops, etc.)***

Intermediate Evaluation 1 ***

Second study year

- 2.1 Lecture Series II (30 optional talks)***
- 2.2 Journal Club II* (1,5 hrs / 2 weeks)
- 2.3 Seminar Progress Report II (weekly)
- 2.4 Compulsory optional practical training****
- 2.5 Participation in the Spring and Fall Meetings of the Graduate School*****
- 2.6 Two additional optional activities (8 hrs each, e.g. minisymposia, excursions, workshops, etc.)***

Intermediate Examination 2 ***

Third study year

- 3.1 Lecture Series III (30 optional talks)***
- 3.2 Journal Club III* (1,5 hrs / 2 weeks)
- 3.3 Seminar Progress Report III (weekly)
- 3.4 Participation in the Spring and Fall Meetings of the Graduate School*****
- 3.5 Two additional optional activities (8 hrs each, e.g. minisymposia, excursions, workshops, etc.)***

PhD project work

As a rule, regular attendance is at 85% of the planned courses per year. This rule explicitly does not apply to the “Good Scientific Practice” seminar, for which no absences are envisaged.

* The “Journal Club” should be attended at the institution of the first or second supervisor. A participation confirmation in the Journal Club must be submitted for the first and second intermediate examination, as well as for the submission of the dissertation.

**For the “Improve your textbook knowledge” lecture, regular attendance constitutes 85% participation in this course. The required sessions can be attended within two years.

*** For admission to the intermediate examinations and the dissertation, an appropriate list of participants and a list of attended activities must be submitted four weeks prior to the relevant examination and the submission of the dissertation.

**** The “Practical Training” courses take a total of 10 working days in two different laboratories and must be completed prior to the 2nd intermediate evaluation. They are not permitted to be held in the institution of the first supervisor. A participation confirmation must be submitted in accordance with the aforementioned time periods.

*****Once per year, the Graduate School holds a spring congress and an autumn congress, at which intermediate evaluations are carried out. For PhD students who are not required to take intermediate evaluations, it is nevertheless compulsory to attend and participate in the events. The PhD Committee will regulate any exceptions.