Type of Module					Module Code					
<ul> <li>Advanced Module</li> </ul>					Neurobiology in <i>Drosophila</i>					
Identification Workload Credit Term					Offered Every Start Duration					
Number			Points	Term				Duration		
MN-B-SM (N 2)		360 h 12 CP		2 <sup>nd</sup> term o	of studying	Summer tern 1 <sup>st</sup> half	n, Summer term only	7 weeks		
1	Course Types		Contact Time		·	Private Study				
	a) Lectures			24 h			50 h			
	b) Practical/Lab			150 h			99 h			
	c) Seminar			7 h			30 h			
2	Module Objectives and Skills to be Acquired									
	Students who successfully completed this module									
	• will have gained a general understanding of neural cells and their function.									
	<ul> <li>achieved basic understanding of the relationship between anatomy and function in the Drosophila brain.</li> </ul>									
	gained insights into neuron-glia interaction and how this controls behavior.									
	•	learned state-of-the-art techniques in neurobiology.								
	learned how to address neurobiological questions experimentally and plan experiments.									
	<ul> <li>gained insights in data evaluation, statistical methods and data management.</li> </ul>									
	<ul> <li>have learned how to present research results in oral and written form and to critically discuss scientific publications related to the topic of the module on a professional level.</li> </ul>									
	<ul> <li>are able to transfer skills acquired in this module to other fields of biology.</li> </ul>									
3	Module Content									
	• From genes to behavior: concepts of neurogenesis, neural function, and circuit formation									
	Molecular neurobiology									
	<ul> <li>Staining methods, immunohistochemistry, state-of-the-art microscopy techniques and bio- informatic image processing methods</li> </ul>									
	Basic and advanced methods in cell and molecular biology and protein biochemistry							1		
	Behavioral assays of larval and/or adult locomotion in flies									
	•	Basic and advanced <i>Drosophila</i> genetics								
	Scientific writing (grant proposal, paper) and presentation (oral, seminar, poster)									
4	Teaching Methods									
	<ul> <li>Lectures; Practical/Lab (Project work); Seminars; Guidance to independent research; Training on presentation techniques in oral and written form; Training on paper/grant writing</li> </ul>							n; Training		

5	Prerequisites (for the Module)						
	Enrollment in the Master's of Science degree course "Neuroscience" or in the Master's degree course "Experimental and Clinical Neuroscience" <b>Additional academic requirements</b>						
	Previous attendance of the lecture module Neuroscience						
6	Type of Examination						
	The final examination consists of two parts: Oral presentation (20-30 min; 50 % of the total module mark), written report (50 % of the total module mark)						
7	Credits Awarded						
	Regular and active participation; Each examination part at least "sufficient" (see appendix of the examination regulations for details)						
8	Compatibility with other Curricula						
	Optional compulsory module in the Master's degree course "Experimental and Clinical Neuroscience"						
9	Proportion of Final Grade						
	12.0 %						
10	Module Coordinator						
	Dr. Thomas Riemensperger, phone 470 76283, e-mail: triemens@uni-koeln.de						
11	Further Information						
	<b>Participating faculty:</b> PD Dr. B. Altenhein, Dr. E. Erhardt, Dr. J. Zhang, Dr. H. Jones, Prof. Dr. K. Ito, Dr. T. Riemensperger, Prof. Dr. H. Scholz						
	Literature:						
	<ul> <li>Information on recommended textbooks and other reading material will be given on the ILIAS representation of the course (see https://www.ilias.uni-koeln.de/ilias/goto_uk_cat_2815610.html)</li> </ul>						
	<b>General time schedule:</b> Week 1 (MonFri., from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.): Seminars, lectures, introduction to paper/grant writing and practice; Week 2-6 (MonFri., from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.): Practical/lab; Week 7 (MonFri.): Preparation for the oral presentation and completing of the written report						
	<b>Note:</b> The module contains hand-on laboratory work conducted individually and is taught in research laboratories. The module does not contain computer-based practicals/research as a main component.						
	<b>Introduction to the module:</b> March 29th, 2024 at 10 a.m., Cologne Biocenter, room 2.009 (second floor) or online (in this case, further information/link will be sent to your Smail-Account); for preparation to the module before this introduction see ILIAS link under literature.						
	<b>Oral examination:</b> May 31, 2024, second/supplementary examination August 02, 2024; the latter date may vary if students and module coordinator agree. More details will be given at the beginning of the module.						