## Module description

### Module title

**Virology**

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### Module coordinator

holder of the Chair of Virology

### Module offered by

Faculty of Medicine

### ECTS

5

### Method of grading

numerical grade

### Only after succ. compl. of module(s)

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### Duration

1 semester

### Module level

undergraduate

### Other prerequisites

By way of exception, additional prerequisites are listed in the section on assessments.

### Contents

The module provides an introduction to virology. The following questions will be addressed: What is a virus? What is the difference between viruses and bacteria? Which viruses exist? What are their replication strategies? How do antiviral compounds act? What is the concept of prion diseases? In addition, the module will discuss fundamental techniques in virology.

### Intended learning outcomes

Students have developed a fundamental knowledge in molecular virology concerning the structure and replication of viruses, virus-host cell interactions and mechanisms of action of antiviral compounds. They have developed a knowledge of the application of cell and molecular techniques of virological basic science.

### Courses

This module comprises 2 module components. Information on courses will be listed separately for each module component.

- **03-4S1VL-1-112**: V + S (no information on SWS (weekly contact hours) and course language available)
- **03-4S1VL-3-112**: P (no information on SWS (weekly contact hours) and course language available)

### Method of assessment

Assessment in this module comprises the assessments in the individual module components as specified below. Unless stated otherwise, successful completion of the module will require successful completion of all individual assessments.

#### Assessment in module component 03-4S1VL-1-112: Basic Virology

- **2 ECTS**, Method of grading: numerical grade
- methods of assessment: a) written examination (approx. 45 to 60 minutes) or b) log (approx. 10 to 20 pages) or c) oral examination of one candidate each (approx. 30 minutes) or d) oral examination in groups of up to 3 candidates (approx. 20 minutes per candidate) or e) presentation (approx. 20 to 30 minutes); students will be informed about the method and length of the assessment prior to the course
- Language of assessment: German or English

#### Assessment in module component 03-4S1VL-3-112: Virology (Laboratory Course)

- **3 ECTS**, Method of grading: (not) successfully completed
- methods of assessment: a) written examination (approx. 45 to 60 minutes) or b) log (approx. 10 to 20 pages) or c) oral examination of one candidate each (approx. 30 minutes) or d) oral examination in groups of up to 3 candidates (approx. 20 minutes per candidate) or e) presentation (approx. 20 to 30 minutes); students will be informed about the method and length of the assessment prior to the course
- Language of assessment: German or English
- Only after successful completion of module components: Successful completion of module component 03-4S1VL-1 is a prerequisite for participation in module component 03-4S1VL-3.
- Other prerequisites: Admission prerequisite to assessment: regular attendance of lab course as specified at the beginning of the course.

### Allocation of places

Biologie (Biology) Bachelor’s: 18 places. Biochemie (Biochemistry) Bachelor’s: 18 places. Selection process Biochemie (Biochemistry) Bachelor’s: Should the number of applications exceed the number of available places,
places will be allocated according to the following quotas: Quota 1 (two thirds of places): current average grade of successfully completed modules; among applicants with the same average grade, places will be allocated by lot. Quota 2 (one third of places) number of subject semesters of the respective applicant; among applicants with the same number of subject semesters, places will be allocated by lot. A waiting list will be maintained and places re-allocated as they become available. Selection process Biologie (Biology) Bachelor's: Should the number of applications exceed the number of available places, places will be allocated as follows: Places will primarily be allocated to students of the Bachelor’s degree subject Biologie (Biology) with 180 ECTS credits. Should the module be used in other subjects, there will be two quotas: 95% of places will be allocated to students of the Bachelor’s degree subject Biologie (Biology) with 180 ECTS credits and 5% of places (a minimum of one participant in total) will be allocated to students of the Bachelor’s degree subject Biologie (Biology) with 60 ECTS credits and to students of the Bachelor’s degree subjects Computational Mathematics and Mathematik (Mathematics), each with 180 ECTS credits, as part of the application-oriented subject Biologie (Biology) (as well as potentially to students of other ‘importing’ subjects). Should the number of places available in one quota exceed the number of applications, the remaining places will be allocated to applicants from the other quota. Should there be, within one module component, several courses with a restricted number of places, there will be a uniform regulation for the courses of one module component. In this case, places on all courses of a module component that are concerned will be allocated in a standardised procedure. In this procedure, applicants who already have successfully completed at least one other module component of the respective module will be given preferential consideration. A waiting list will be maintained and places re-allocated as they become available. Selection process group 1 (95%): Places will primarily be allocated according to the applicants' previous academic achievements. For this purpose, applicants will be ranked according to the number of ECTS credits they have achieved and their average grade of all assessments taken during their studies or of all module components in the subject of Biologie (Biology) (excluding Chemie (Chemistry), Physik (Physics), Mathematik (Mathematics)) at the time of application. This will be done as follows: First, applicants will be ranked, firstly, according to their average grade weighted according to the number of ECTS credits (qualitative ranking) and, secondly, according to their total number of ECTS credits achieved (quantitative ranking). The applicants' position in a third ranking will be calculated as the sum of these two rankings, and places will be allocated according to this third ranking. Among applicants with the same ranking, places will be allocated according to the qualitative ranking or otherwise by lot. Selection process group 2 (5%): Places will be allocated according to the following quotas: Quota 1 (50% of places): total number of ECTS credits already achieved in modules/module components of the Faculty of Biology; among applicants with the same number of ECTS credits achieved, places will be allocated by lot. Quota 2 (25% of places): number of subject semesters; among applicants with the same number of subject semesters, places will be allocated by lot. Quota 3 (25 % of places): allocation by lot. Should the module be used only in the Bachelor’s degree subject Biologie (Biology) with 180 ECTS credits, places will be allocated according to the selection process of group 1.

Additional information

Referred to in LPO I (examination regulations for teaching-degree programmes)

Module appears in

Bachelor' degree (1 major) Biochemistry (2011)
Bachelor' degree (1 major) Biology (2011)