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# M.Sc. Neuroscience & Behavioural Biology



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# Neuroscience and Behavioural Biology

# Leipzig: a research centre for life sciences

## Faculty of Life Sciences

- **Institute of Biology**
- Institute of Biochemistry
- Institute of Psychology

Talstrasse



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- Graduate School Brain Dynamics

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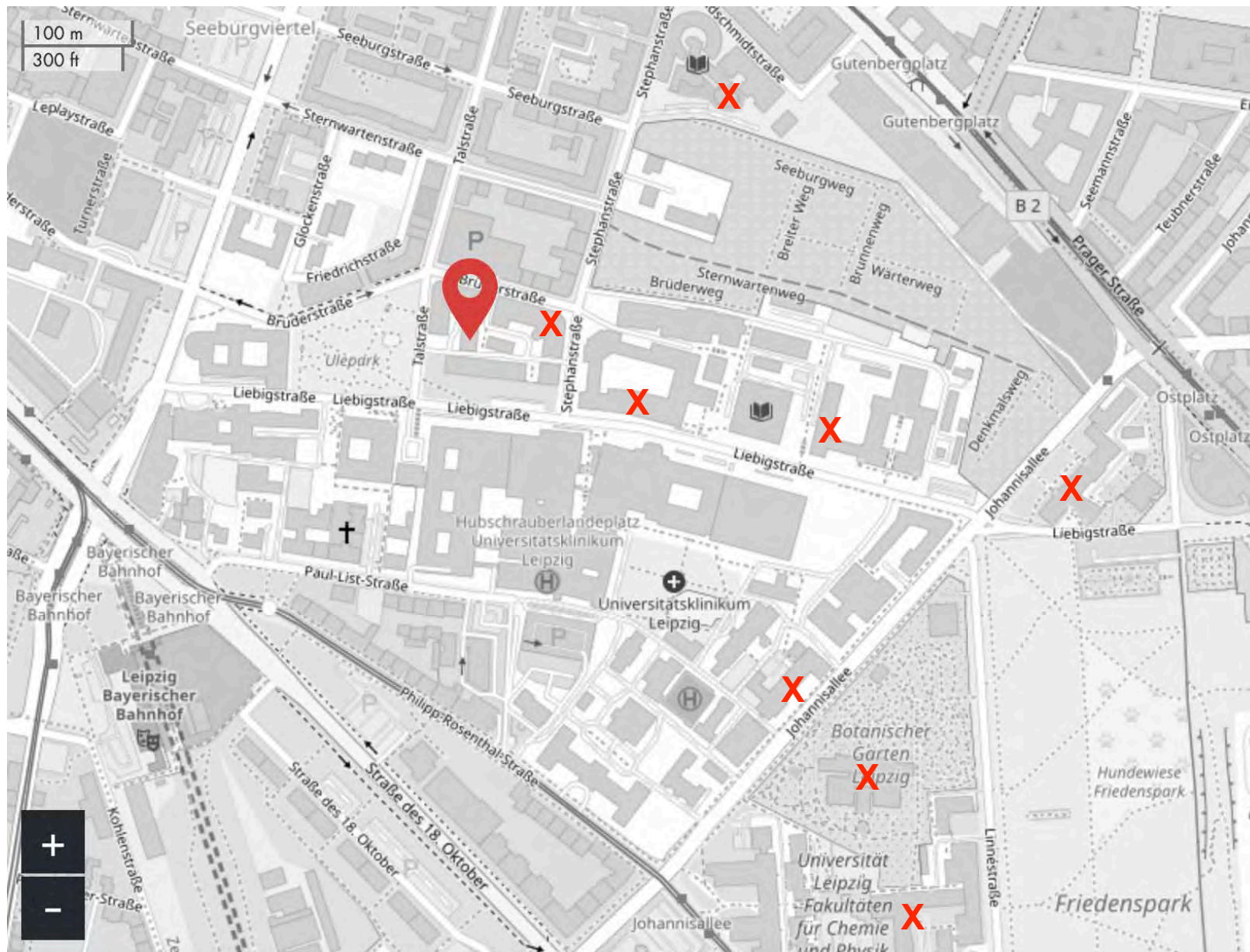
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**International hotspot for Neuroscience and Behavioural Biology**



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# Humboldtian model of higher education



Menzel, Berlin, 1836

Formulated by Wilhelm von Humboldt (Alexander's brother)

- Research and teaching are interwoven
- The M.Sc. course is tightly connected with our research work and current scientific results
  - Research-oriented training for scientific careers in academia and science-related professions
  - Promoting independent and critical thinking
  - **Interdisciplinary** qualification for doctoral studies



# Research areas at the Faculty of Life Sciences



Brain Dynamics



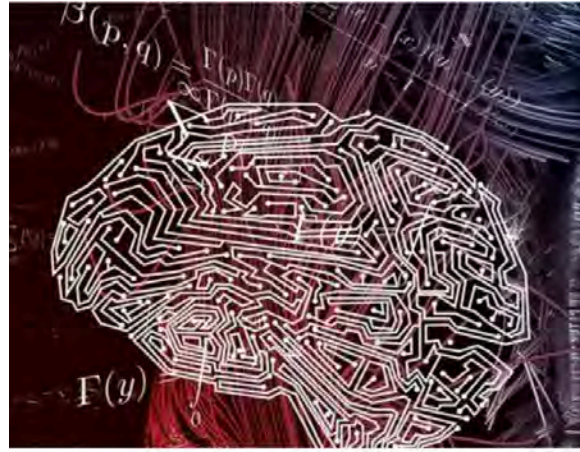
Molecular and Cellular Communication



Sustainable Systems and Biodiversity



Complex Matter



Mathematical and Computational Sciences



Modern Diseases



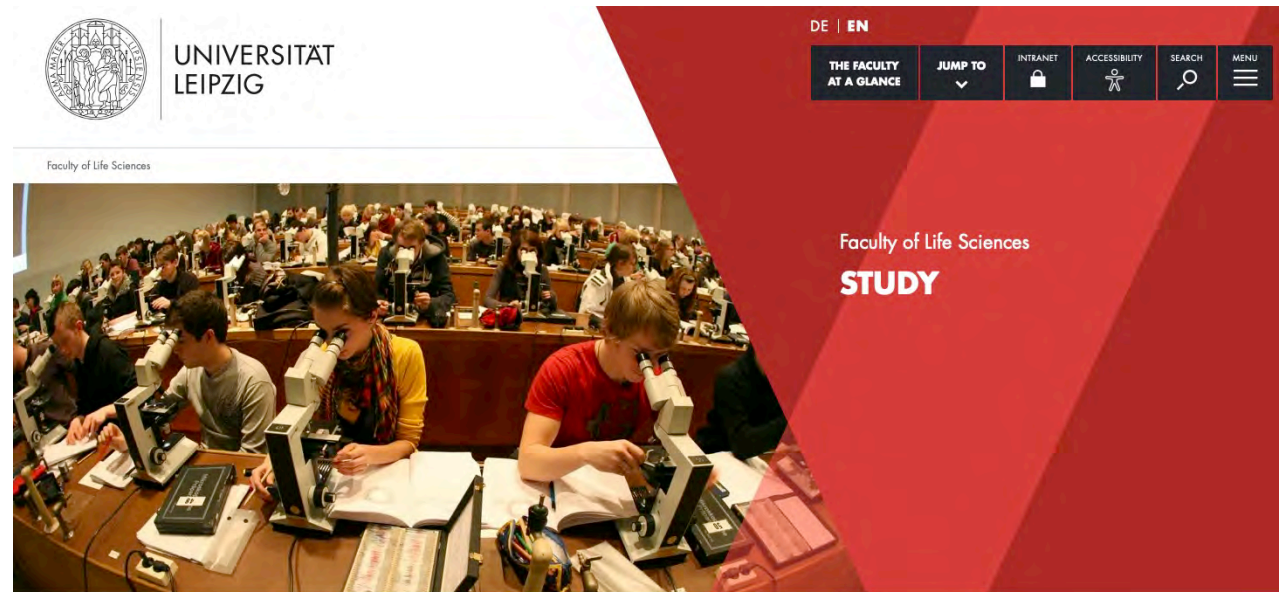
# General organisation

## Programme organisation

- Taught in English
- 4 semesters
- Modular structure

## Modules

- Compulsory & compulsory elective
- Individual modules:
  - 1 semester
  - 10 credit points
  - Typically lectures, seminars, practical courses
- 9 modules (each 10 credit points)  
+ M.Sc. thesis (30 credit points)  
= 120 credit points in total



# General organisation

<b>Semester 1</b>	Module 1	Module 3	Module 5	
	Module 2	Module 4		External Module
<b>Semester 2</b>	Module 6	Module 8	Module 10	
	Module 7	Module 9	Module 11	External Module
<b>Semester 3</b>	Practical Module	Theoretical Module	Laboratory Module	
<b>Semester 4</b>	M.Sc. project			

# General organisation

Choose a total of 6 elective modules (3 per semester):

- 5 core modules + 1 external module

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# General organisation

3 compulsory modules to

- widen your horizon: Practical Module **NOT** at the Institute of Biology
- prepare for your M.Sc. thesis: Theoretical Module & Laboratory Module (ideally) in the lab of your M.Sc. project

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Semester 4	M.Sc. project			

# Detailed information on the 3rd semester

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**additional information**

M.Sc. programme

FSR BioPharm

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# M.Sc. project

- Written thesis based on original research
- Supervised research project
  - Scientific contribution



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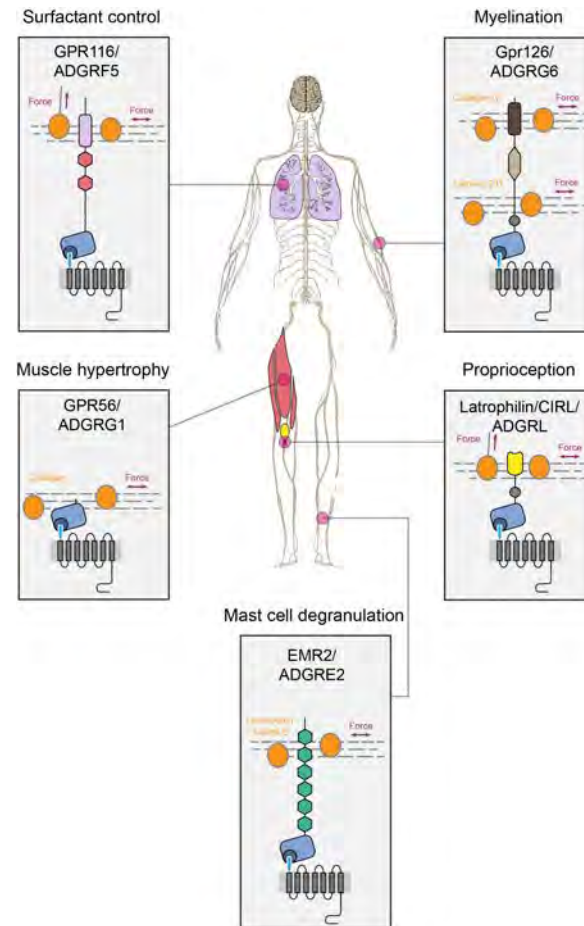
## Antinociceptive modulation by the adhesion GPCR CIRL promotes mechanosensory signal discrimination

**Sven Dannhäuser<sup>1,2</sup>, Thomas J Lux<sup>3</sup>, Chun Hu<sup>4</sup>, Mareike Selcho<sup>1,2</sup>,  
Jeremy T-C Chen<sup>3</sup>, Nadine Ehmann<sup>1,2</sup>, Divya Sachidanandan<sup>1,2</sup>, Sarah Stopp<sup>1,2</sup>,  
Dennis Pauls<sup>1,2</sup>, Matthias Pawlak<sup>5</sup>, Tobias Langenhan<sup>6</sup>, Peter Soba<sup>4</sup>,  
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# M.Sc. modules

- The course programme covers different levels of biological organisation:
  - ▶ from molecular and cellular neurobiology to systems and clinical neuroscience and ethology.
  - ▶ Connecting mechanisms of brain function in physiological and pathological settings with animal interactions with the environment.



# Core modules

Behavioural		Molecular/Cellular		Systems/Bridge	
Group	Module #	Module title		Semester	
Lukas, McElreath (MPI)	31-BIO-216	Human behavior, ecology and culture		Winter	
Widdig	11-BIO-212	Primate behavioural ecology		Winter	
Liebal	11-BIO-223	Diversity of cognition		Summer	
Vernot (MPI)	11-BIO-805	Molecular anthropology		Summer	
Schönwiesner	11-BIO-213	Brain mechanisms of perception and cognition		Summer	
Schönwiesner	11-BIO-211	How the brain works		Winter	
Thum	11-BIO-214	Behavioural neurogenetics		Summer	
Stassart, Hallermann (MedFak)	09-BIO-225	Clinical and translational neuroscience		Summer	
Kittel	11-BIO-222	Neuroimaging		Summer	
Kittel	11-BIO-215	Molecular mechanisms of neuronal communication		Winter	
Langenhan	11-BIO-224	Biochemical principles and molecular tools in neurobiology		Winter	



# External/Cooperation modules this winter semester

## **Modules offered in cooperative study programs:**

**07-201-2508** Gründungsmanagement

**10-202-2205** Graphen und Biologische Netze

**10-202-2207** Sequenzanalyse und Genomik

**11-BCH-0701** Bioorganische Chemie

**11-BIO-0710** Soil Ecology

**11-BIO-201** Quantitative Methods in Biodiversity Sciences

**11-BIO-202** Molecular Evolution

**11-BIO-203** Molecular Ecophysiology and Biotechnology of Plants

**11-BIO-204** Structure, Function and Ecology of Microbial Communities

**11-PSY-11003** Biologische Psychologie

**Must be confirmed and saved during the confirmation period in TOOL**

**Please check whether the language of instruction is English.**

# Virology: external module in the summer semester

## Master of Science Biologie (ab WS 2024/25)

Akademischer Grad	Modulnummer	Modulform
Master of Science	MolMed-09-BIO-0825	Wahlpflicht

**Modultitel** **Molekulare Medizin, Virologie**  
Nichtbiologisches Wahlpflichtmodul

**Modultitel (englisch)** **Molecular Medicine, Virology**  
Non-biological Compulsory Elective Module

**Empfohlen für** 2. Semester

**Verantwortlich** Medizinische Fakultät, Institut für Medizinische Mikrobiologie und Virologie,  
FB Virologie

**Dauer** 1 Semester

**Modulturnus** Jedes Sommersemester

**Lehrformen** Vorlesung „Molekulare Medizin, Virologie“ (3 SWS) = 30 h Präsenzzeit und 70 h  
Selbststudium = 100 h

Seminar „Molekulare Medizin, Virologie“ (1 SWS) = 15 h Präsenzzeit und 35 h  
Selbststudium = 50 h

Praktikum „Molekulare Medizin, Virologie“ (6 SWS) = 60 h Präsenzzeit und 90 h  
Selbststudium = 150 h

# Module registration



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## Module Registration Information for Winter Term 2024/25 M. Sc. Neuroscience and Behavioural Biology (NBB)

The module registration for the M.Sc. Neuroscience and Behavioural Biology takes place online via [TOOL](#). Instructions for using TOOL in German can be found [here](#) and in English [here](#). Registration is only possible if you have re-registered for the winter semester by paying the semester fee on time.

### Schedule for module registration:

**Online registration:** **30<sup>th</sup> September, noon – 07<sup>th</sup> October, 11:59 pm**  
**(all modules)**

**Confirmation of modules:** **08<sup>th</sup> October, 2:00 pm – 09<sup>th</sup> October, 11:59 pm**  
**(only electives)**



# Moodle study platform - <https://moodle2.uni-leipzig.de>

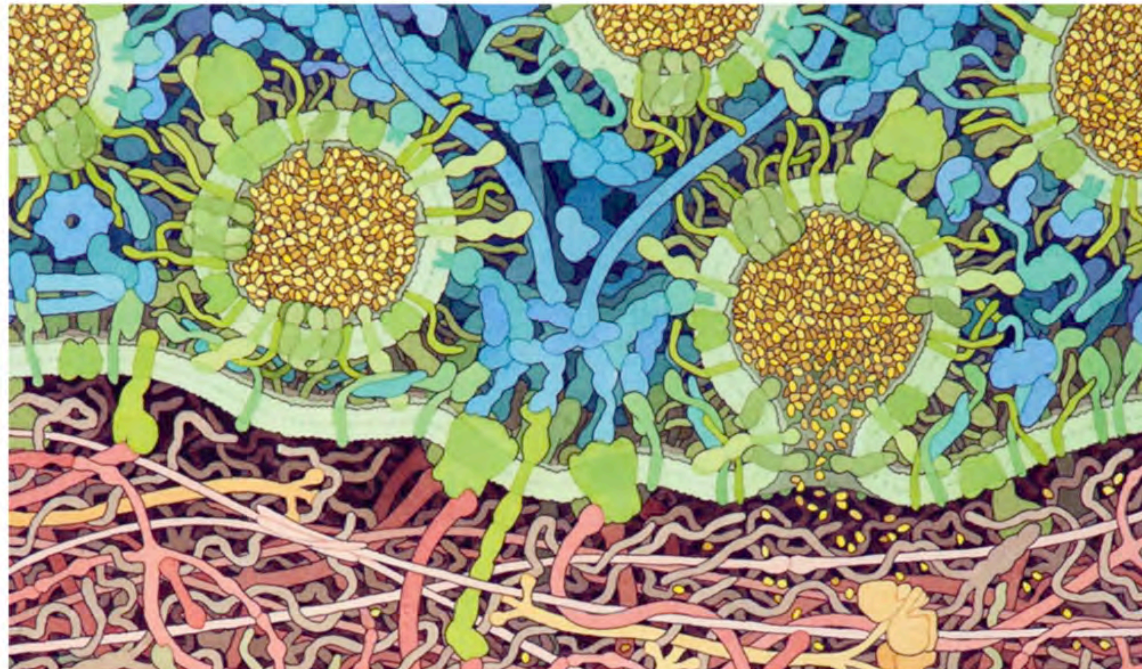
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## 11-BIO-215 - Molecular Mechanisms of Neuronal Communication - WiSe 2024/25

[Kurs](#) [Einstellungen](#) [Teilnehmer/innen](#) [Bewertungen](#) [Fragensammlung](#) [Mehr](#) ▾

### ▾ Welcome!

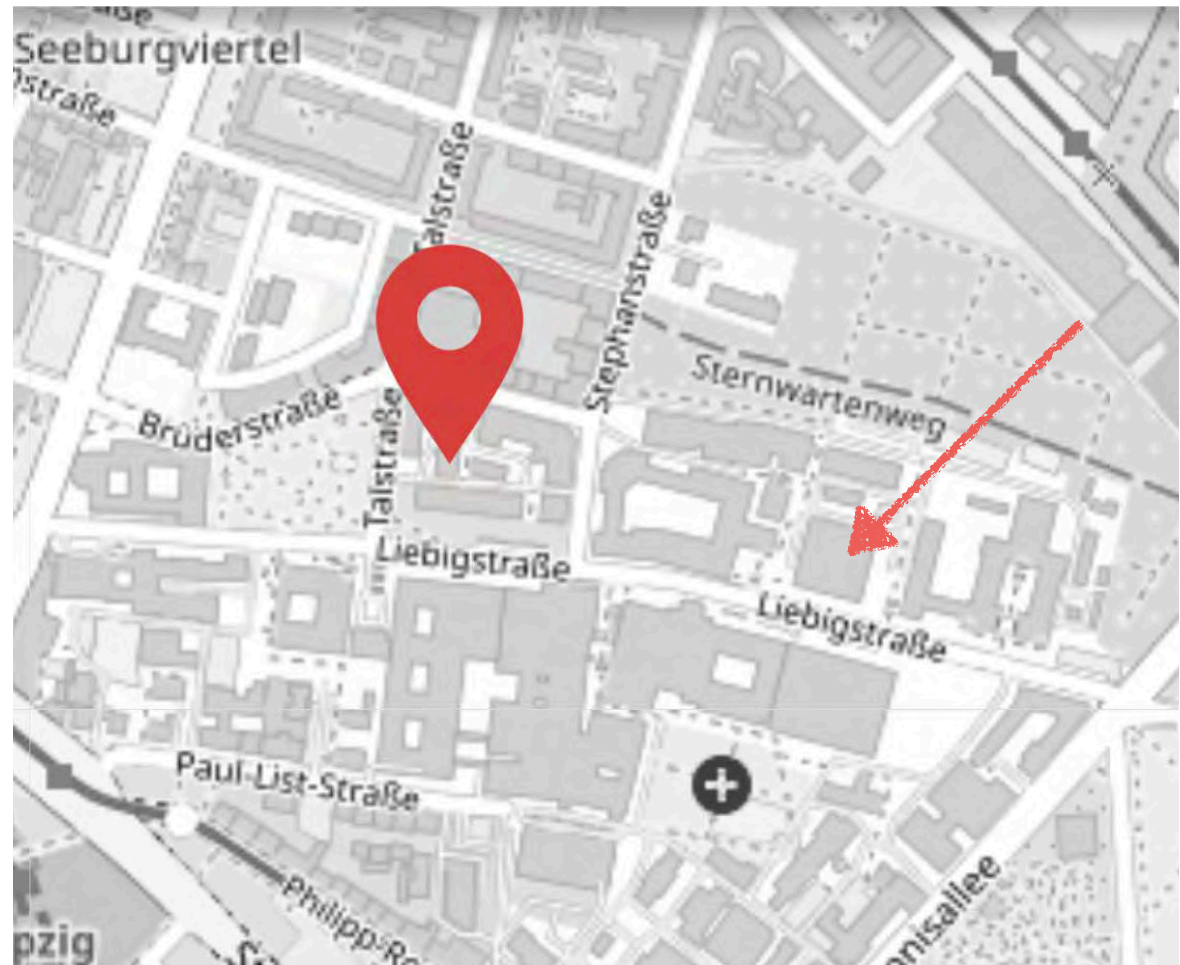
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- Course content
  - e.g. file download
- Interaction platform for students and lecturers
  - e.g. discussion forums
- Current information and updates
  - e.g. exam dates

# Library Medicine and Natural Sciences

- Liebigstrasse 23/25
- <https://www.ub.uni-leipzig.de/standorte/medizinnaturwissenschaften/>



# Mentoring Programme

If you did not attend the introduction contact the Study Office.

- Get in touch with your mentor by email to arrange a first meeting!

# Further information

- People
  - Dean: Prof. Marc Schönwiesner
  - Dean of Studies: Prof. Irene Coin
  - M.Sc. Course Coordinator: Prof. Robert J. Kittel
- Homepage Institute of Biology <https://www.lw.uni-leipzig.de/institut-fuer-biologie/>
- Homepage Study Office <https://www.lw.uni-leipzig.de/studium/studienbuero/>
- Homepage Student Representatives <https://fsr-biopharm.de>



# Student representatives

## FSR BIOPHARM



Vorstand




Absolvent\*innen-  
verabschiedung



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- Veranstaltungen
- Studierendenvertretung



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# Student representatives

FSR BIOPHARM **Einführungswoche Wintersemester 2024/25** FSR BIOPHARM

Montag 07.10.24	Dienstag 08.10.24	Mittwoch 09.10.24	Donnerstag 10.10.24	Freitag 11.10.24
10-11 Uhr <b>Einführungs- veranstaltung Biochemie</b> (Gr HS Ta33) + <b>Pharmazie</b> (Beckmann-HS Brü34)	ab 10 Uhr <b>Fahrradtour</b> Fakultät Ta33	10 - 14 Uhr <b>Laborverkauf</b> Raum 135 Ta33		
11:30-12:30 Uhr <b>Einführungs- veranstaltung Biologie</b> (Gr HS Ta33) + <b>Biologie Lehramt</b> (Beckmann-HS Brü34)		ab 14:30 Uhr <b>How to Uni + Vereinsvorstellung</b> Gr HS Ta33	14 - 18 Uhr <b>Erstirallye Biologie + Biologie Lehramt</b> Treffpunkt: Gr HS Ta33	14 - 18 Uhr <b>Erstirallye Biochemie + Pharmazie</b> Treffpunkt: Gr HS Ta33
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ab 18 Uhr <b>Erstgrillen</b> Ulepark	ab 18 Uhr <b>Master Ersti Abend</b> Fakultät Ta33			

Weitere Veranstaltungen:

**Montag, 14.10.24, 12 Uhr**  
Einführungsveranstaltung Masterstudiengänge  
Kl HS Ta33

**Samstag, 12.10.24, ab 14 Uhr**  
**Katalytische Triade**  
Hilf hinter der Chemie fakultät (Johannissäule 29)

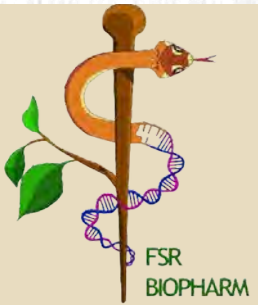
**Sonntag, 13.10.24, ab 11 Uhr**  
**Brunch**  
Fakultät Ta33

**Montag, 14.10.24**  
**Einführungsveranstaltungen der Fakultät für  
Lebenswissenschaften**  
Details siehe studiengangsspezifische Wochenpläne

**Montag, 14.10.24, ab 19 Uhr**  
**Kneipentour**  
Fakultät Ta33

**Veranstaltungsorte:**  
Gr HS Ta33 - Großer Hörsaal (Talstraße 33)  
Kl HS Ta33 - kleiner Hörsaal (Talstraße 33)  
Beckmann HS Brü 34 - Beckmannhörsaal  
(Brüderstraße 34)  
Raum 135 Ta 33 - Seminarraum 135 (Talstraße 33)  
Ulepark - gegenüber der Talstraße 33

**Legende: Veranstaltungen FSR BioPharm - Veranstaltungen Bioefferrat - Veranstaltung Fakultät**  
Achtung!  
Die hier aufgeführten Termine sind noch nicht fest! Die aktuellste Version findet ihr aber immer auf unserer Website.  
Bei Fragen erreicht ihr uns über Instagram (@fsr\_biopharm) oder schreibt uns eine Mail (info@fsr-biopharm.de).  
Alle weiteren Infos und den aktuellsten Plan findest du über den QR-Code auf unserer Website (www.fsr-biopharm.de).



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**WHERE?  
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