

SCIENTIFIC AND METHOD MODULES

Module name	Hybrid Systems <i>Functional Biomolecules at (Solid) Materials Interfaces</i>
Number	2014-T6
Aims	This module teaches the principles in preparation and application of hybrid systems, including immobilization of biomolecules and cells and prerequisites for materials to attach biomolecules, as well as possible future applications in biomedicine, biotechnology and informatics. Moreover, it introduces the knowledge to produce solid-state devices that can be interfaced with soft matter.
Basics	covered in basic modules B1–B3 (chemical synthesis of peptides and carbohydrates, proteins (recombinant expression, folding, analysis), surfaces (materials, analysis), basics in polymers/macromolecular science, solid-state electronics, cell biology)
Contents	Hybrids of synthetic and biological compounds (combinations of synthetic molecules and peptides, advantages of synthetic and biological building blocks), Hybrid compatible proteins (protein expression by methods that allow modification and introduction of non-proteinogenic amino acids, intein and impact system, modification of tRNA and genetic code expansion, selective chemical modification, cellfree protein production, pegylation), Biocompatibility, toxicity and biodegradation, Chemical aspects (generation of polymers, surface modification, nanoscaffolds, preparation of building blocks, smart materials), Hybrid compounds (preparation, analysis, ligation strategies, immobilisation), Applications (biomedical science, biosensors), Biological cells on chips (bioimpedance, electrodes and MOSFETs for cells, neuronal networks, cardiac tissue), Smart cell substrates (switchable polymers, nanopores, nanostructures, nanocontact printing).
Methods	Methods for proteins and peptides (techniques for modified proteins, side-chain protection strategies in peptide synthesis, cell-based assays to study toxicity, biostability and inflammation), Analytics (biocompatible mass spectrometry [MALDI-TOF, ESI-Q3], AFM, solid-state NMR, solution NMR, fluorescence microscopy, confocal microscopy, SPR), Neuronal cells (isolation, culture, patch clamp), Fabrication of solid-state devices (building nanostructures, ZnO-based devices).
Type	Two-day block course/ bi-yearly recurrence with modification
Date (month/year)	22/23 May 2014
Time	22 May: 9:30 - 17:00, 23 May: 9.30 - 17:00
Work load	15 hours presence/ 45 hours self-study
Examination	Written
Credit points	2
Responsible scientists	Pompe
International guest lecturers	Prof. Dr. Manuel Salmeron-Sanchez (University of Glasgow, UK)
Industrial partners	
Recommendations for literature, e-learning	

SCHEDULE for Module 2014-T6

Time	Lecturer	Programme	Location
Day 1			
22 May 2014		Materials	Johannissallee 21, room 215
9:30-10:45	Prof. M. Salmeron-Sanchez, University Glasgow	Material-driven protein assembly to engineer the cellular microenvironment	
11:00-12:15	Dr. C. Sperling, Leibniz Institute of Polymer Research Dresden	Functionalized surfaces for improved hemocompatibility	
14:00-15:15	Dr. H. Hähl, Universität Saarland, Saarbrücken	Proteinadsorption at interfaces	
15:30-16:45	Prof. M. Salmeron-Sanchez, University Glasgow	ECM proteins at the cell/material interface	
Day 2			
23 May 2014		Methods	Johannissallee 21, room 215
9:30-10:45	Dr. H. Hähl, Universität Saarland, Saarbrücken	Methods for the analysis of interfacial phenomena	
11:00-12:15	Prof. C. Duschl, Fraunhofer Institute for Biomedical Engineering, Potsdam	Interaction of cells with technical substrate surfaces	
14:00-15:15	Dr. T. Weigl, Max Planck Institute of Colloid & Interfaces, Potsdam	Adhesion via anchored receptors and ligands: theory and simulations	
15:30-16:45	Dr. S. Schmidt, Universität Leipzig	Probing molecular interactions at bio-interfaces	

Didactic elements:

Lecture, discussions.

Expected performance:

Active participation in discussions