

Georg-August-Universität Göttingen Module M.Agr.0132: Molecular and biotechnological methods in plant and animal breeding	6 C 4 WLH
Learning outcome, core skills: In addition to the theoretical background (Module M.Agr.0131 (Biotechnology and molecular genetics in plant and animal breeding)), the students should improve their basic knowledge in biotechnologies and molecular genetics by learning hand-on skills in the lab. The students should be capable to perform experiments on their own and to present them in an adequate manner.	Workload: Attendance time: 56 h Self-study time: 124 h
Course: Molecular and biotechnological methods in plant and animal breeding (Block course, Practical course) <i>Contents:</i> Sample collection; DNA and RNA isolation; Sanger Sequencing including the usage of appropriate software programs; Separation and visualization of nucleic acids; qualitative and quantitative PCR; ELISA assays to determine hormone profiles or as a pregnancy/non pregnancy testing system; microsatellites; SNP; AFLP; storage of DNA and RNA; semen evaluation; in vitro generation and genetic analyses of embryos; direct and indirect transformation; protoplasts, in vitro propagation, androgenesis and gynogenesis; gene cloning. Literature: e.g. Current Protocols in molecular biology; A practical guide to basic laboratory endocrinology: Introduction to Plant Biotechnology	4 WLH
Examination: Term paper (max. 40 pages, 80%) and presentation (about 10 minutes, 20%) Examination requirements: The examinees should provide detailed information in their term paper (written as protocols) including the biological background of the methods. The examinee should show its independent ability to conduct experiments in the lab.	6 C
Admission requirements: M.Agr.0131	Recommended previous knowledge: none
Language: English	Person responsible for module: Prof. Dr. Jens Tetens
Course frequency: each summer semester	Duration: 1 semester[s]
Number of repeat examinations permitted: twice	Recommended semester: Master: 2
Maximum number of students: 20	