

Georg-August-Universität Göttingen		6 C 4 WLH
Module M.Agr.0131: Biotechnology and molecular genetics in plant and animal breeding		
Learning outcome, core skills: Profound knowledge of biotechnologies to decipher phenotypes and traits for plant and animal breeding. Skills to use appropriate molecular genetic tools to elucidate the genetic basis of traits. Development of creativity and independent as well as globally thinking to solve complex breeding challenges; effective communication skills (both orally and written); self-learners.		Workload: Attendance time: 56 h Self-study time: 124 h
Course: Biotechnology and molecular genetics in plant and animal breeding (Lecture, Excursion) <i>Contents:</i> Basics of genetics (Mendelian inheritance; karyograms; DNA, RNA and protein; gene structure; epigenetics), Biotechnologies for animal breeding (Artificial Insemination; Spermsexing; embryo transfer and associated techniques such as in vitro fertilization, embryo sexing, stem cells, cloning), Biotechnologies for plant breeding (in vitro cloning, induction of haploids, direct and indirect genetic transformation, interspecific sexual and somatic hybridization), Molecular genetics (PCR; qPCR; Recombinant DNA Technology; DNA markers; miRNA; Sanger sequencing; expression analysis; Next Generation Sequencing; array techniques; cytogenetics; proteomics; genome editing techniques). Literature: Clark & Pazdernik: Biotechnology (Academic Cell Publishing); Pineda & Dooley: Veterinary Endocrinology and Reproduction (Blackwell Publishing); Squires: Applied Animal Endocrinology (CABI); Krebs, Kirkpatrick, Goldstein: Lewin's Gene XI (Jones and Bartlett Publishing); Brown: Gene cloning and DNA analysis (Blackwell Science); Journal: Trends in Plant Science (Elsevier Ltd.)		4 WLH
Examination: Written examination (90 minutes) Examination requirements: The examinee should show the potential to solve breeding challenges applying the best biotechnologies and most accurate molecular genetic tools.		6 C
Admission requirements: none	Recommended previous knowledge: Basics in animal and plant breeding	
Language: English	Person responsible for module: Prof. Dr. Jens Tetens	
Course frequency: each winter semester	Duration: 1 semester[s]	
Number of repeat examinations permitted: twice	Recommended semester: Master: 1	
Maximum number of students: 20		