

## Research topics for undergraduate students in the Biological Research Centre Szeged for the academic year of 2022-2023

Characterization of protein posttranslational modifications using mass spectrometry  
*Zsuzsanna Darula (Laboratory of Proteomics Research)*

Mass spectrometry aided protein analysis  
*Éva Hunyadi-Gulyás (Laboratory of Proteomics Research)*

Protein-protein interaction analysis by mass spectrometry  
*Aladár Pettkó-Szandtner (Laboratory of Proteomics Research)*

Biological application of differential-polarization laser scanning microscopy. Hierarchically ordered structures.  
*Gábor Steinbach (Cellular Imaging Laboratory)*

Studying structure-function relationship of ion-pumping rotational membrane proteins using state-of-the-art molecular biophysical methods  
*Krisztina Sebők-Nagy and Tibor Páli (Institute of Biophysics)*

Molecular biophysical investigation of drug delivery processes using spectroscopic methods  
*Krisztina Sebők-Nagy and Tibor Páli (Institute of Biophysics)*

Determining the structure of membrane proteins using combined machine learning (artificial intelligence) and molecular mechanics methods  
*Teruaki Koto and Páli Tibor (Institute of Biophysics)*

Biophysics of biological and model membranes: a spectroscopic approach  
*Tibor Páli (Institute of Biophysics)*

Examination of free radicals and free radical reactions in biological samples and food products  
*Tibor Páli (Institute of Biophysics)*

Integrated optical devices in biology: biosensors, protein based optoelectronic devices  
*Sándor Valkai and András Dér (Institute of Biophysics)*

Construction of microfluidic devices and their utilization in biophysical applications  
*Sándor Valkai and András Dér (Institute of Biophysics)*

Investigation of the permeability and transport mechanisms at the blood-brain barrier under physiological and pathological conditions  
*Mária Deli and Fruzsina Walter (Institute of Biophysics)*

Molecular bases of neurovascular functions  
*István Krizbai and Imola Wilhelm (Institute of Biophysics)*

Role of the blood-brain barrier in the formation of brain metastases  
*Imola Wilhelm and Kinga Molnár (Institute of Biophysics)*

Role of pattern recognition receptors in pathologies related to cerebral endothelial cells and pericytes

*István Krizbai and Imola Wilhelm (Institute of Biophysics)*

Studying the neurovascular unit with two-photon microscopy

*Attila Elek Farkas (Institute of Biophysics)*

Restoration of cerebrovascular functions during aging

*István Krizbai and Attila Elek Farkas (Institute of Biophysics)*

Studying bacterial communication by microfluidic techniques

*Péter Galajda, Krisztina Nagy (Institute of Biophysics)*

Assembly and development of microbial communities in microfluidic chips

*Péter Galajda, Krisztina Nagy (Institute of Biophysics)*

Studying bacterial cells by optical tweezers

*Péter Galajda, Krisztina Nagy (Institute of Biophysics)*

Using photosynthetic reaction centres in biohybrid solar cells

*Petar Lambrev and Melinda Magyar (Institute of Plant Biology)*

Structure and function of photosynthetic reaction centre complexes

*Petar Lambrev and Parveen Akhtar (Institute of Plant Biology)*

Photochemistry and protein dynamics in Photosystem II

*Petar Lambrev and Gábor Sipka (Institute of Plant Biology)*

Mechanisms and dynamics of the ultrafast processes in photosynthesis

*Petar Lambrev (Institute of Plant Biology)*

Examination of mutant plants defective in symbiosis

*Gabriella Endre (Institute of Plant Biology)*

Functional study of symbiotic genes and proteins

*Gabriella Endre (Institute of Plant Biology)*

Investigation of the effect of new plant antimicrobial peptides on different bacteria

*Gabriella Endre (Institute of Plant Biology)*

Antibiotic resistance in microbes

*Csaba Pál (Institute of Biochemistry)*

Evolution of human immune system in response to pathogens

*Csaba Pál (Institute of Biochemistry)*

Systematic investigation of bacterial resistance to biocides

*Réka Spohn and Csaba Pál (Institute of Biochemistry)*

Laboratory evolution of antibiotic-producing bacteria in the presence of antibiotic-resistant pathogens

*Ana Martins (Institute of Biochemistry)*

Microbial evolutionary experiments in the lab

*Zoltán Farkas (Institute of Biochemistry)*

Investigating the side-effects of compensatory evolution in baker's yeast: do deleterious mutations contribute to phenotypic novelties?

*Zoltán Farkas (Institute of Biochemistry)*

High-throughput laboratory experiments using baker's yeast as a model organism

*Zoltán Farkas (Institute of Biochemistry)*

Lipid-protein interactions during autophagy

*Hajnalka Laczkó-Dobos (Institute of Genetics)*

Investigation of intracellular mechanisms affecting somatic LINE1 retrotransposition

*Lajos Mátés (Institute of Genetics)*

Autophagy in the nervous system

*Áron Szabó (Institute of Genetics)*

The mechanism of LC3-associated phagocytosis in *Drosophila* glia

*Áron Szabó (Institute of Genetics)*

Glial activation pathways in *Drosophila melanogaster*

*Áron Szabó (Institute of Genetics)*

Modelling neuroinflammation in *Drosophila melanogaster*

*Áron Szabó (Institute of Genetics)*

Production of organoid cultures from human pluripotent stem cells

*Melinda Pírity (Institute of Genetics)*

Generation of fluorescently labelled mouse stem cell lines for cell fate tracking

*Melinda Pírity (Institute of Genetics)*

Analysis of cell death signalling pathways in mouse and human stem cells

*Melinda Pírity (Institute of Genetics)*

Analysis of blood cell transdifferentiation in *Drosophila melanogaster*

*Viktor Honti (Institute of Genetics)*

Analysis of the regulation of blood cell niche maintenance in *Drosophila melanogaster*

*Viktor Honti (Institute of Genetics)*

Analysis of blood cell originated tumor formation in *Drosophila melanogaster*

*Erika Gábor (Institute of Genetics)*

Investigation of piRNA/PIWI mediated transposon silencing  
*Melinda Bence (Institute of Genetics)*

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