Research topics for undergraduate students in the Biological Research Centre for the academic year of 2024-2025

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)

Investigation of hierarchically ordered structures with differential-polarization laser scanning microscopy. *Gábor Steinbach (Cellular Imaging Laboratory)*

Studying structure-function relationship of ion-pumping rotational membrane proteins using state-ofthe-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 optoelectronical 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)

Molecular bases of neurovascular functions István Krizbai (Institute of Biophysics)

Role of the blood-brain barrier in the formation of brain metastases Imola Wilhelm and Csilla Fazakas (Institute of Biophysics)

Molecular characteristics of the brain metastatic microenvironment Imola Wilhelm (Institute of Biophysics)

Role of pericytes in neurovascular functions 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)*

Mechanisms and dynamics of the ultrafast processes in photosynthesis *Petar Lambrev (Institute of Plant Biology)*

Electric current production by green algae Szilvia Z. Tóth and Nia Petrova (Institute of Plant Biology)

Photosynthetic hydrogen production by green algae Szilvia Z. Tóth and Valéria Nagy (Institute of Plant Biology)

Investigation of phosphate and ascorbate transporters in plants *Szilvia Z. Tóth (Institute of Plant Biology)*

Investigation of stress adaptation of microalgae Bettina Ughy (Institute of Plant Biology)

Investigation of bacterial growth at the individual and population level *Bettina Ughy (Institute of Plant Biology)*

Identification and functional analyis of plant genes involved in symbiotic nitrogen fixation. *Péter Kaló, Szilárd Kovács (Insitute of Plant Biology)*

Functional study of symbiotic genes, proteins and peptides *Gabriella Endre (Institute of Plant Biology)*

Characterization of the activity of novel plant antimicrobial peptides on different bacteria. *Gabriella Endre (Institute of Plant Biology)*

Scenes from a (bad) marriage: How legume plants choose their symbiotic partners from the soil microbiome containing plenty of eligible rhizobia? Attila Kereszt (Institute of Plant Biology)

Role of plant antimicrobial peptides in the selection and control of the bacterial partners in the course nitrogen-fixing symbiosis *Attila Kereszt (Institute of Plant Biology)*

Development and adaptation of methods to modify the genome and expression pattern of nitrogenfixing rhizobia *Attila Kereszt (Institute of Plant Biology)*

Salt tolerance and adaptation studies on green algae. Molecular mechanisms of salt tolerance. *Gergely Maróti (Institute of Plant Biology)*

Investigation of natural and synthetic algal-bacterial communities, interactions. Including utilization studies in bioenergy generation and wastewater treatment. *Gergely Maróti (Institute of Plant Biology)*

Development of automated single-cell microdissection systems *Péter Horváth (Institute of Biochemistry)*

Development of deep learning algorithms for single-cell segmentation and classification in microscopic images Nikita Moshkov, Péter Horváth (Institute of Biochemistry)

Molecular analysis of human mitotic cells Vivien Miczán, Péter Horváth (Institute of Biochemistry)

Antibiotic resistance in microbes *Csaba Pál (Institute of Biochemistry)*

Evolution of human immune system in response to pathogens *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 laboratory *Zoltán Farkas (Institute of Biochemistry)*

High-throughput laboratory experiments and their bioinformatic analyses *Zoltán Farkas (Institute of Biochemistry)*

Bioinformatic investigation of species-specificity / repeatability / global biogeography of antibiotic resistance mechanisms Zoltán Farkas (Institute of Biochemistry)

Studying protein stability in mammalian cell cultures Zoltán Lipinszki (Institute of Biochemistry)

Heterologous expression and purification of recombinant proteins for immunological assay Zoltán Lipinszki (Institute of Biochemistry)

Exploring new strategies against genotoxin-producing gut pathogens Viktória Lázár (MTA-SZBK Lendület "Momentum" Systems Biology of Antibiotic Action Research Group, Institute of Biochemistry)

Single cell based bacterial virulence analysis via *in vitro* human cell based infection modelsViktória Lázár (MTA-SZBK Lendület "Momentum" Systems Biology of Antibiotic Action Research Group, Institute of Biochemistry) Structural analysis of antifungal proteins with experimental and theoretical methods *Attila Borics (Institute of Biochemistry)*

Investigation of the signaling mechanism of transmembrane receptor proteins *Attila Borics (Institute of Biochemistry)*

Advanced proteomic analysis of extracellular vesicles from CNS tumors to identify minimal-invasive diagnostic biomarkers *Gabriella Dobra (Institute of Biochemistry)*

The relationship between the microbiome and cancer development in human cell model *Szilvia Juhász, BRC Institute of Biochemistry and HCEMM Hungarian Center*

In vivo and *in vitro* studies on formin function *József Mihály* (*Institute of Genetics*)

Identification and characterization of myofibrillar actin regulatory proteins *Szilárd Szikora (Institute of Genetics)*

Investigation of myofibril organisation with single molecule localization microscopy *Szilárd Szikora (Institute of Genetics)*

Studies on the role of Cyclase-associated protein (CAP) during sarcomerogenesis *Szilárd Szikora (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 Pirity (Institute of Genetics)

Generation of fluorescently labelled mouse stem cell lines for cell fate tracking *Melinda Pirity (Institute of Genetics)*

Analysis of cell death signalling pathways in mouse and human stem cells *Melinda Pirity (Institute of Genetics)*

The role of ADP ribosylation in cell cycle regulation" *Roberta Fajka-Boja (Institute of Genetics)*

Analysis of blood cell transdifferentiation in *Drosophila melanogaster* Erika Gábor (Institute of Genetics) Analysis of the regulation of blood cell niche maintenance in *Drosophila melanogaster Viktor Honti (Institute of Genetics)*

Analysis of the formation and therapeutic possibilities of blood cell originated tumors *Viktor Honti (Institute of Genetics)*

Studying extracellular matrix degradation mechanisms in *Drosophila* Gábor Csordás (Institute of Genetics)

Characterization of *Drosophila* extracellular matrix-immune cell interactions *Gábor Csordás (Institute of Genetics)*

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

Identification of predictive microRNA biomarkers in autoimmune diseases *Czibula Ágnes (genetikai Intézet)*

Regulation of mutagenesis in yeast *Ildikó Unk (Institute of Genetics)*

Role of polyubiquitylation in DNA damage tolerance *Ildikó Unk (Institute of Genetics)*

Investigation of yeast genome structure using CRISPR-Cas technique Zsuzsanna Győrfy (Institute of Genetics)

Role of DNA polymerases in genome stability *Éva Bálint (Institute of Genetics)*

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