Course Title: Quantitative Microscopy						
Module Workload		Credit Points	Frequency of Occurrence	Duration		
Identification-Nr.						
M-N	euro-AM15	180 h	6	WS/SS	One Semester	
a-b						
1	Type of lesso	ns	Contact time	Self-study time	Planned group size	
	a) Lecture		a) 7 h	100 h Preparation and	a) 4 max	
	b) Practice		b) 65 h	follow-up, L, P, S,	b) 4 max	
	c) Seminar		c) 8 h	preparation of the final	c) 4 max	
				poster presentation		
2	Aims of the module The students should get an overview of current microscopy methods. They should have learned the basic skills to perform simple immunocytochemical analyses. They should learn the basics of quantifying the resulting cellular data. Last but not least, they should understand the basics of cellular pain research based on the application example.					
3	Contents of the module					
	 Theory of transmitted and reflected light microscopy with focus on immunepifluorescence, confocal, High Content Screening (HCS), Total Internal Reflection (TIRF) and STED microscopy methods Primary cell culture: preparation, dissociation and cultivation of primary tissue (rats/mouse spinal ganglion neurons) secondary cell culture: HEK293 cells, splitting, transfecting immunofluorescence staining Experimentator-based intensity evaluation Computer-based image analysis (object recognition, background correction, intensity comparison, problem of threshold determination to distinguish between "marker-positive" and "marker-negative" populations) Working with the image processing and image analysis software ImageJ Quantitative analysis at the High Content Screening Microscope HCS microscopy in cellular pain research Creation and presentation of a scientific results poster 					
4	Teaching methods					
5	Requirements for participation					
	Formal: Enrollment in the Master's program "Experimental and Clinical Neurosciences" at the University of CologneContent: None					
6	Type of module examination					
	The final examination consists of a results poster presentation. The resulting discussion will be evaluated.					

Prerequisites for awarding credit points				
Regular and active participation				
Use of the module (in other courses)				
None				
Significance of the module mark for the overall grade				
In the Master's program "Experimental and Clinical Neurosciences": 6% of the overall grade ((see also				
appendix of the examination regulations)				
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Other information:				
Literature:				