neu220 - Neurosensory Science and Behaviour - Part B

Module label
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Module code
- neu220

Credit points
- 6.0 KP

Workload
- 180 h

Used in course of study
- Master's Programme Biology > Background Modules
- Master's Programme Neuroscience > Background Modules

Contact person

Module responsibility
- Christiane Margarete Thiel

Authorized examiners
- Carsten Gießing
- Christiane Margarete Thiel

Module counceling
- Carsten Gießing

Entry requirements

Skills to be acquired in this module
++ Neurosci. knowlg. + Expt. methods Independent research + Scient. literature + Social skills
++ Interdiscipl. knowlg. Maths/Stats/Progr. + Data present./disc. + Scientific English Ethics

Upon successful completion of this course, students
know the fundamentals of neurotransmission
know the basic neural mechanisms underlying attention, learning, emotion, language and executive functions
understand the relationship between disturbances in neurotransmitter systems, cognitive functions and psychiatric disease
know the principles of drug treatment for psychiatric disorders
have in-depth knowledge in selected areas of these topics
are able to understand, explain and critically assess neuroscientific approaches in animals and humans
are able to understand and critically assess published work in the area of cognitive neuroscience

Module contents

The lecture "Introduction to Cognitive Neuroscience" gives a short introduction into neuroanatomy and cognitive neuroscience methods and then covers different cognitive functions.
Lecture topics:
- History of cognitive neuroscience
- Methods of cognitive neuroscience
- Attention
- Learning
- Emotion
- Language
- Executive functions.
The supervised excersise either deepens that knowledge by excersises or discussions of recent papers/ talks on the respective topic covered during that week.
The lecture "Psychopharmacology" illustrates the connection between neurotransmitters and behaviour and its links to psychiatric disease. The lecture contains several interactive parts to consolidate and critically evaluate the acquired knowledge.
Lecture topics:
- Introduction to Terms and Definitions in Drug Research
- Dopaminergic and Noradrenergic System
- Cholinergic and Serotonergic System
- GABAergic and Glutamatergic System
- Addiction
- Depression
- Schizophrenia
- Anxiety
- Alzheimer's Disease

Reader's advisory

Links

Language of instruction
- English

Duration (semesters)
- 1 Semester
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