

**Biocenter Oulu Virus Core Laboratory organizes a practical course:
“Retrovirus-mediated RNA interference”**

Place	Biocenter Oulu Meeting Room 487B, 4th floor of the Main Building of the Medical Campus and the Biocenter Oulu Laboratories of the Main Building of the Medical Campus, University of Oulu, Aapistie 5A, P.O.Box 5000, FIN-90014 Oulu, Finland
Time	9 th to 13 th May, 2011
Credits	3.0 ECTS
Organisers	Biocenter Oulu Doctoral Programme, Biocenter Oulu Virus Core Laboratory, University of Oulu, P.O. Box 5000, FIN-90014 University of Oulu, Finland
Type of course	A hands-on course on retrovirus-mediated RNA interference technology including general lectures on viral vectors and RNA interference.
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Registration	Registration obligatory. Only 12 participants are accepted. The application with a short description of your research project should be sent to Aki Manninen by April 29, 2011. The course is in principle open for everybody, but the preference will be given to Ph.D. students whose projects best benefit from the excercises carried out during the course.

PRELIMINARY PROGRAM

Time	Mon 9.5.2011		Tue 10.5.2011		Wed 11.5.2011		Thu 12.5.2011		Fri 12.5.2011
9-12	Intro lecture – Course material distribution – Assignment of Journal Club articles for the groups		Groups 1&2: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Medium change• 2nd infection	Groups 3&4: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• cDNA synthesis	Groups 1&2: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• qPCR• designing shRNAs	Groups 3&4: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• 1st virus collection• 3rd infection• antibiotic selection	Group 1&2: 2 nd virus collection + 2 nd selection (dead cells washed)	Group 3&4: design your own shRNA	Check up of antibiotic selected cells
	Groups 1&2: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Transfection of packaging cells• 1st infection of target cells	Groups 3&4: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• RNA extraction	Groups 1&2: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• cDNA synthesis	Groups 3&4: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Medium change• 2nd infection					Journal club on selected papers (1 article / group) 15min + discussion Course wrap up
12-13	Lunch		Lunch		Lunch		Lunch		Lunch
13-14	Common lecture: Viral vectors		Common lecture: Designing shRNAs		Common lecture: RNAi & applications		qPCR analysis of KD efficiencies		
14-17	Groups 3&4: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Transfection of packaging cells• 1st infection of target cells	Groups 1&2: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• RNA extraction			Groups 1&2: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• 1st virus collection• 3rd infection• antibiotic selection	Groups 3&4: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• qPCR• designing shRNAs	Group 1&2: design your own shRNA	Group 3&4: 2 nd virus collection + 2 nd selection (dead cells washed)	