Laboratory training for chemists
Guidelines for advisor’s selection

In respect to the « Règlement interne sur le Travail d’approfondissement pour master en chimie moléculaire et biologique », the Laboratory training for chemists aims the student to become familiar to theoretical and/or practical approaches applied by chemists. There is no commitment to perform an independent research work. It is possible to complete the Master’s thesis at the same place but with a true independent research work respecting EPFL requirements.

Taking into account the above purpose, the student spends 4 months (4 or 6 months in a company) in a lab (including computational lab) to improve his/her skills. This can be done in an academic institution or in a company.

a) Lab experience in academic institution

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<th>At ISIC or EPFL</th>
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<td>Direct discussion with potential advisors.</td>
<td>By own initiative or following advice form ISIC Prof/MER, identify an advisor AND find an ISIC mentor.</td>
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After agreement, fill up the enrolment form signed by the advisor and return it to the SCGC secretary.

b) Lab experience in company

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<th>Through EPFL internship website</th>
<th>Through company advertisement</th>
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<td>Internships corresponding to the aim of the laboratory training will be published on ISA. These topics are already validated by the section.</td>
<td>Through own initiative and contacts with a company (for big companies, browse their career portal). The section MUST validate the job description before applying.</td>
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An EPFL-Company internship agreement will be signed. More details can be found on the Moodle Platform (Miscellaneous>SB Stages). Contacts:

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As soft skill improvements, Catherine Marselli offer a very useful short trainings in:
Cours 1: Understanding the recruiter
Course 2: CV sections
Course 3: Letter of motivation
Course 4: Job interview
Course 5: Communication and organisation at work.

Registration is mandatory at: https://bookwhen.com/stages
NB courses 1 to 3 are already over but exceptionally, on your request these trainings could be repeated the Spring only for you.