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Structure and function of proteins: Theory and practice

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The objective of this course (approx. 10 hours) will be to illustrate how optical methods (UV-visible absorption, fluorescence, infrared and circular dichroism) can be used to study protein folding, dynamics and stability.

The course will include a review of the optical properties of proteins. Then, concrete examples (e.g. β -lactamases, single-domain antibody fragments, lysozymes) will be analysed in detail, on the basis of theoretical background (briefly reviewed during the course) and data found in the literature.