





Master thesis project: Synthesis of therapeutic knottins!

Synthesis of knottins and enzyme inhibitory tests

Who?

Master student with experience in organic chemistry

Where?

EnzyTag (Nuth, NL) and Forschungszentrum Jülich

When?

Summer semester 2024 (e.g. start on April 15)

What are knottins?

- Knottins are small proteins containing three disulfide
 bonds knotted in a specific manner
- Due to their exceptional stability, knottins are considered promising therapeutics for a number of diseases



Why we need you?

- ⊕ We are a computational group specialized in biomolecular simulation methods
- ⊕ You support us in transferring computational insights to the wet lab through the synthesis and analysis of knottins previously examined *in silico*

What can you expect?

- ⊕ Learn the techniques for synthesizing knottins in the lab of our collaborators at EnzyTag, located not far from the German-Dutch border in Nuth
- ⊕ Evaluate the inhibitory activity of your self-synthesized knottins against different targets at the Forschungszentrum Jülich
- Sufficient time to write your thesis with the additional opportunity to learn some computer-aided methods, if desired

What should you bring?

- ⊕ A Bachelor's degree in (Bio)Chemistry with focus on organic chemistry
- \oplus Versatile interests and an open mind as you will work in diverse disciplines

Interested? Contact us (in German or English)!

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