

BIOQIC PhD committees: Second meeting, April-June 2018

Goal: to evaluate PhD project progression, discuss potential pitfalls and perspectives.

The committee consists of:

- 1 or more supervisors, or another senior scientist from the field of the PhD work
- 1-2 external reviewer(s) from the BIOQIC faculty or the wider area of imaging sciences (not directly related to the PhD work)
- Chair and reporting person (BIOQIC coordinator)
- The student

The committee:

- Meets the student at specific time points: 1 year, 2 years, 3 years and shortly before thesis defense
- Provides advice, goals and support independently of the supervisors
- Support rather than assessment
- Start each meeting without the student (~5min), finish each (~5min) meeting without the supervisors

The role of the student:

- Organizes the meeting
- Recruits 2 independent experts to serve as reviewers
- Gives a 10 minute Powerpoint presentation

The role of the independent experts:

- Appointed by the students
- Can be from within or outside the own working group/ BIOQIC
- Provide support, feedback, independent scientific advice to the student
- Provide extra support to the student and supervisors if required

Meeting format:

- Student absent at start
- Student presentation 10 mins
- Questions from the committee (10 min)
- Student absent for committee to report (10 min)
- Feedback of committee to student (10min)
- Supervisors absent at end
- chair summarizes the progress meeting

Content of the student presentation:

- Background, research question / hypothesis, aims
- Goals set at the beginning of the project
- Progress / results
- Problems / changes of plan
- Goals for the next meeting (with timelines)

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Questions?

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