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*Signal Preprocessing in Pharmaceutical Optical Coherence Tomography (OCT) Applications*

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**OBJECTIVE:**

This Master’s thesis is in the area of signal processing, investigating new ways for raw signal processing in Optical Coherence Tomography (OCT). Within the scope of this work lies finding appropriate processing chains from the sensor level up to an optimal OCT image. Among the tools commonly used are apodisation, modified FFT approaches, as well as several filtering methods which may be applied to improve the final output. The resulting image should be quantified in an appropriate way so that a comparison among methods can be achieved. The outcome of this thesis provides an overview of methods used and their effect on OCT images.

**REQUIREMENTS:**

- Bachelor’s degree in electrical engineering, physics, mathematics or related
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- Experience with at least one advanced programming language like C++ or Python
- Ability to work mostly independently
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