

Pricing policy – Light Microscopy Core Facility

Usage of Light Microscopy Core Facility instrumentation and services is a subject of billing.

Booking of Light Microscopy instrumentation and services in Calpendo booking system is mandatory and requires Calpendo booking project.

Equipment time and services are charged based on pricing policies related to the project and its owner (project affiliation in the system).

Billing is done once a month. 1st day in a calendar month, the project owner will receive a statement of billing to check. On the 10th day of the calendar month, the basis for invoicing is sent to the project owner and forwarded to the economic department for processing. The invoice will be received by the project owner no later than the 15th day of the calendar month.

Light Microscopy Core Facility uses instrument hour as the billing unit.

We use the following pricing policies, depending on the affiliation of the Calpendo project owner:

Non-profit organisations - no profit	Profit is not charged to the projects owned by the user from non-profit government institutions - Public research institutions, Public universities and Subsidized organisations.
Government institution policy	No building or equipment depreciation costs are charged to the projects owned by the user from other government institutions - Public research institutions, Public universities and Subsidized organisations.
IMG - no personnel costs policy	Personnel costs are not charged to the projects owned by internal users.
Czech-Bioimaging open access policy	Czech-Bioimaging open access policy. Subsidy applied to all projects registered to the Czech-Bioimaging "open access". <ul style="list-style-type: none">• 42% Personnel Cost Discount• 55% Running Cost Discount• 55% Overhead Cost Discount Support is provided by the project "National Infrastructure for Biological and Medical Imaging" (MEYS - LM2023050).

By applying these pricing policies to the full cost price, we distinguish several basic price categories according to the affiliation of the user, the owner of the project in the Calpendo booking system.

The relevant price is always stated in the Calpendo project, depending on the owner and the registration status of the project in the "Czech-Bioimaging open access".

Full Cost	Unit cost charged to the projects owned by the users from profit organisations.
Academic Cost	Unit cost charged to the projects owned by the users from other government institutions - Public research institutions, Public universities and Subsidized organisations.
Academic Open Access Cost	Unit cost applicable to the projects registered to the "Czech-Bioimaging open access". Academic Cost price further subsidized by the National Infrastructure for Biological and Medical Imaging.
Internal Costs	Unit cost charged to the projects owned by internal users of the hosting institution.
Internal Open Access Costs	Unit cost applicable to the projects registered to the "Czech-Bioimaging open access". Internal Cost price further subsidized by the National Infrastructure for Biological and Medical Imaging.

Further we use following pricing policies, which are applied on unit cost of individual bookings, depending on their length, time of a day and instrument modality used.

Out of hours (18:00-8:00) discount	We provide 20% flat discount for out of hours bookings and for bookings at weekends and holidays.
Modality discount	Discount provided for Running Costs and Equipment Depreciation if using certain modality of particular instrument. Modality discounts for individual instruments are indicated in the Price List.
Time lapse discount	We provide flat discounts for long experiments on certain instruments. Time lapse discounts available on individual instruments are indicated in the Price List.

User trainings and any user assistance provided is currently not the subject of billing.

Image analysis user support is currently not the subject of billing.

Pricing policy valid from 1. 1. 2026