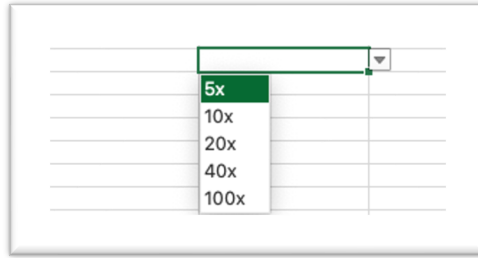


# ***Dropdown menus and auto-fill-out function in EXCEL***

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## ***Dropdown menus in EXCEL***



In order to generate Dropdown menus in EXCEL go through the following steps:

- 1) Write down the list of input that you would like to have in the dropdown menu for each key-value pair. It makes sense to have it on a second sheet if you would like to have your main data on the first sheet (see also example file).
- 2) Mark the cell(s) in which the dropdown should appear
- 3) Go to "data" (Daten), "Data Validation" (Datenüberprüfung)
- 4) Under "Allow" (Zulassen): set to "list" (Liste)
- 5) Set the two tick marks at ignore blank (Leere Zellen ignorieren) & in-cell dropdown (Zellendropdown)
- 6) As a last step, define the source (Quelle) for the dropdown menu and click ok.

## Auto-Fill-Out function in EXCEL

The dropdown function can also be combined with an auto fill-out (IFS function, WENNS in German): if the cell has specific content, a specific value is shown in the next column. A microscopy example would be that you store the pixel size of a 1 µm scale bar for specific lenses /magnifications of your light microscope setup in one column. The auto fill out can add the pixel information automatically by reading the magnification column (e.g. 10x, 20x etc.).

|   | A                   | B                    | C  | D | E | F |
|---|---------------------|----------------------|--|---|---|---|
| 1 | <b>File name</b>    | <b>Magnification</b> | <b>1 micron scale bar equals this amount of pixels</b> |   |   |   |
| 2 | Example_LM_image001 | 10x                  | 100  |   |   |   |
| 3 | Example_LM_image002 | 40x                  | 400  |   |   |   |
| 4 | Example_LM_image003 | 20x                  | 200  |   |   |   |
| 5 | Example_LM_image004 | 100x                 | 800  |   |   |   |
| 6 | Example_LM_image005 | 10x                  | 100  |   |   |   |
| 7 | Example_LM_image006 | 10x                  | 100  |   |   |   |
| 8 |                     |                      |  |   |   |   |

Formula used is the following (exchange WENNS by IFS in English EXCEL version):

```
=WENNS(B2=Referenzvalues!$A$2;Referenzvalues!$B$2;B2=Referenzvalues!$A$3;Referenzvalues!$B$3;B2=Referenzvalues!$A$4;Referenzvalues!$B$4;B2=Referenzvalues!$A$5;Referenzvalues!$B$5;B2=Referenzvalues!$A$6;Referenzvalues!$B$6)
```

A second sheet named "Referenzvalues" is used in this example to list the lens magnifications in A2-6 (5x, 10x, 20x, 40x, 100x) and the corresponding pixel values in the column next to it (B2-6).

|   | A                    | B  |
|---|----------------------|--|
| 1 | <b>Magnification</b> | <b>1 micron scale bar equals this amount of pixels</b> |
| 2 | 5x                   | 50   |
| 3 | 10x                  | 100  |
| 4 | 20x                  | 200  |
| 5 | 40x                  | 400  |
| 6 | 100x                 | 800  |
| 7 |                      |  |