

Joint meeting of German DFG-funded CRC consortia & graduate schools focusing on heart, vasculature and kidney



Importance and Highlights of Cardiac, Vascular and Kidney Research in Germany

09 - 10 October 2024

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What?

Joint meeting of German DFG-funded CRC research consortia and their graduate schools focussing on cardiac, vascular and kidney research

09 October 2024: Graduate training day and hot topics from CRC consortia on cardiac, vascular and kidney research

10 October 2024: Importance of collaborative cardiac, vascular and kidney research, with representatives from politics and the DFG, keynote scientific speakers and a podium discussion with participating CRC speakers

Why?

- ✓ Increase awareness of
 - o the high burden of cardiovascular and kidney diseases
 - the clinical importance of cardiac, vascular and kidney research
 - \circ the importance of collaborative research consortia
- ✓ Increase national cooperation and exchange of expertise on scientific, technological and training level

For whom?

Members of the participating collaborative research consortia and everyone interested in cardiac, vascular and kidney disease

Organizers

Program committee

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On behalf of all participating CRCs

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Meeting venue

Kap Europa

Kongresshaus der Messe Frankfurt Osloer Str. 5

60327 Frankfurt am Main, Germany



DFG Information sessions

✓ DFG information session on application options and criteria for funding

Wednesday 9 October, 14.15 – 14.45 (Room: MERIDIAN)

✓ DFG information stand: Foyer

✓ Opportunity for individual information session with DFG representative

Aim: Clarifying all questions related to DFG applications in a very open and supportive atmosphere (including application criteria, best application moment, review criteria, ...)

Format: Individual sessions with a DFG representative (20 min each)

For whom: Researchers at all stages of their career

Place: OKZIDENT or ORIENT room (as announced in confirmation mail upon online reservation)

Reserve your slot:

Via online reservation: online link available @ DFG info stand

Or "on the spot" via direct contact with DFG representatives @ DFG info stand



Organizing consortia

SFB/TRR219 - Speaker: Prof. Dr. Joachim Jankowski

RWTH Aachen & Universität des Saarlandes

SFB/TRR267 – Speaker: Prof. Dr. Stefan Engelhardt

TU München & Goethe-Universität Frankfurt am Main

SFB/TRR332 - Speaker: Prof. Dr. Oliver Soehnlein

Universität Münster, LMU München & Universität Duisburg-Essen

SFB374 - Speaker: Prof. Dr. Richard Warth

Universität Regensburg & Friedrich-Alexander-Universität Erlangen-Nürnberg

SFB1039 - Speaker: Prof. Dr. Josef M. Pfeilschifter

Goethe-Universität Frankfurt am Main

SFB1192 - Speaker: Prof. Dr. Tobias B. Huber

Universität Hamburg

SFB1213 - Speaker: Prof. Dr. Nobert Weißmann

Universität Giessen

SFB1366 - Speaker: Prof. Dr. Hellmut G. Augustin

Ruprecht-Karls-Universität Heidelberg

SFB1425 - Speaker: Prof. Dr. Peter Kohl

Albert-Ludwigs-Universität Freiburg

SFB1453 - Speaker: Prof. Dr. Anna Köttgen

Albert-Ludwigs-Universität Freiburg

SFB1470 - Speaker: Prof. Dr. Michael Gotthardt

Charité - Universitätsmedizin Berlin

SFB1525 - Speaker: Prof. Dr. Stefan Frantz

Universität Würzburg

SFB1531 - Speaker: Prof. Dr. Ralf Brandes

Goethe-Universität Frankfurt am Main

SFB1550 - Speaker: Prof. Dr. Johannes Backs

Ruprecht-Karls-Universität Heidelberg

Thursday, 10 October 2024 - CRC convent

13.00 - 13.45	Keynote lecture IV: Revolutionizing methods in scientific research (30 min talk + 15 min discussion) Prof. Dr. Yamuna Krishnan (Institute of Biophysical Dynamics, University of Chicago, USA) Intracellular Electrophysiology
13.45 - 14.05	Current trends in funding of coordinated research Dr. Suzanne Zittartz-Weber (DFG, Sonderforschungsbereiche)
14.05 - 14.35	The importance of collaborative research consortia Prof. Dr. Martin Paul (Rector University Bochum)
14.35 - 15.05	From science to clinic: success stories I Invention of the troponin assay: a paradigm shift in cardiac medicine Prof. Dr. Hugo Katus (Cardiovascular Medicine, University Hospital Heidelberg)

15.05 - 15.45 Networking (with coffee)

15.45 - 16.45	From science to clinic: success stories II (15 min flash talk + 15 min discussion)
15.45	Incretin-based therapy: Successes achieved and future expectations Prof. Dr. Michael Nauck (Diabetes, Endocrinology and Metabolism Section, Medical Department I, Hospital of the Ruhr-University, Bochum)
16.15	Bridging Bench and Business: The Angiolutions Journey from Basic Science to Startup Dr. med. Isabel N. Schellinger (Co-Founder & CEO of Angiolutions® GmbH)

16.45 - Podium discussion with all CRC speakers:

17.45 "Challenges and action points for (German) medical research" (Moderator: Prof. Dr. Martin Paul)

17.45 - 18.00 Conclusion of Meeting



Thursday, 10 October 2024 – CRC convent

(MERIDIAN)

08.15 - 09.25	Joint research on cardiovascular and kidney medicine: importance & challenges
08.15	Welcome (Prof. Dr. Joachim Jankowski (Aachen), Prof. Dr. Peter Kohl (Freiburg))
08.35	Epidemiology and prevention in the field of cardiovascular and kidney medicine - Prof. Dr. Stefan Blankenberg (University Heart and Vascular Center Hamburg Eppendorf)
09.00	Environmental risk factors and cardiovascular and kidney diseases Prof. Dr. Christoph Maack (Comprehensive Heart Failure Center CHFC, University Hospital Würzburg)

09.25 - 10.15 Networking (with coffee)

10.15 - 11.45	Cardiovascular and kidney medicine: Clinical relevance & innovative research (25 min talk + 10 min discussion)
10.15	Keynote lecture II Prof. Dr. Marcello Tonelli (Department of Medicine, Cumming School of
	Medicine, University of Calgary, Canada) Chronic kidney diseases: Clinical relevance & innovative research fields
10.50	Keynote lecture III Prof. Dr. Peter Libby (Division of Cardiovascular Medicine, Brigham and Women's Hospital, Boston, USA) The battle against cardiovascular diseases is joined but not yet won

kidney research (Moderator: Prof. Dr. Christoph Maack)

Panel discussion: Clinical relevance and future of cardiac, vascular and

11.45 - 12.00 Group picture

12.00 - 13.00 Lunch & networking (FOYER)

Organizing Consortia























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Other Participating Consortia & Institutes











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Room information



Wednesday, 09 October 2024 - CRC & RTG convent

15.15 - Hot topics from the organizing CRC consortia by CRC delegates

16.35 *in two parallel sessions* (10 min flash talk + 10 min discussion each)

Parallel session 1 (MERIDIAN)

SFB1425 Prof. Dr. Peter Kohl (Heterocellular crosstalk in cardiac lesions)

SFB1525 Dr. Sarah Schäfer (Targeting Treg cells after myocardial infarction)

TRR267 Prof. Dr. Lars Mädgefessel (Long non-coding RNAs in vascular cell therapy)

TRR332 Prof. Dr. Oliver Soehnlein (New concepts of neutrophil maturation - a matter of location)

Parallel session 2 (MISTRAL)

SFB119 Dr. Nicola Tomas (Autoantibodies in proteinuric kidney disease)

SFB1453 Prof. Dr. Michael Köttgen (SLC25A48 is a human mitochondrial choline transporter)

TRR219 Prof. Dr. Rafael Kramann (Single cell and spatial genomics to dissect mechanisms of kidney and heart disease)

TRR374 Prof. Dr. Michael Wiesener (Pathomechanisms and development of interventional strategies against hereditary tubulointerstitial kidney diseases)

16.35 - 16.50 Short break

16.50 - Hot topics from the organizing CRC consortia by CRC delegates

17.50 *in two parallel sessions* (10 min flash talk + 10 min discussion each)

Parallel session 3 (MERIDIAN)

SFB1039 Prof. Dr. Ingrid Fleming (Signalling by fatty acid derivatives and sphingolipids in health and disease)

SFB1531 Prof. Dr. Ralf Brandes (Oxidative stress and the acute damage response)

SFB1550 Prof. Dr. Johannes Backs (HDAC signaling in cardiometabolic disease)

Parallel session 4 (MISTRAL)

SFB1213 Prof. Dr. Soni Savai-Pullamsetti (Molecular basis of right ventricular remodeling and reverse remodeling in pulmonary hypertension)

SFB1366 Prof. Dr. Hellmut Augustin (Vascular Control of Organ Function)

SFB1470 Prof. Dr. Michael Gotthardt (Unraveling and treating the Complexities of Heart Failure with HFpEF - Connecting Splicing, Sarcomere and Systems Biology)

17.50 - 18.15 Refreshment break

18.15 - Kevnote lecture I

19.00 Prof. Dr. Vera Regitz-Zagrosek (Institute of Gender in Medicine, Charité-Universitätsmedizin Berlin) Impact of sex and gender on ischemic heart disease

19.00 - Poster session: Presentation of own research projects

21.30 With guided presentations by all PhD/MD students & postdocs (in small groups on cross-sectional topics): 19.30-20.30

With posters of concept & focus of each CRC / RTG

With fingerfood & drinks

Wednesday, 09 October 2024 - CRC & RTG convent

(OKZIDENT)

10.30 - RTG Workshop (for representatives of graduate schools & educational

12.00 programs)

Aim: Discussion of concepts and challenges towards improved & sustainable training

Chairs: Prof. Dr. Peter Kohl & PD Dr Claudia Goettsch

(ORIENT)

10.30 - EUKISS European Kidney Summer School (Satellite event of the graduate

12.00 schools of Regensburg, Hamburg, Freiburg, Aachen) (Coordinators Prof. Dr. Tobias Huber, Prof. Dr. Mario Schiffer) - *for registered participants*

11.30 - 12.30 **Registration** (+ hanging up posters)

12.30 - 12.45 Opening of Meeting & Welcome (MERIDIAN)

(MERIDIAN)

12.45 - As to diseases and Al, make a habit of two things - to help, or at least to

do no harm. ChatGPT and Large Language Models: Transforming Clinics, Research, and Everyday Life

Prof. Dr. M. Gotthardt

(Max Delbrück Center & Charité - Universitätsmedizin Berlin)

(MERIDIAN)

13.45 - Workshop: Opportunities and challenges for basic researchers in

14.15 medicine - training & support in "medical scientist programs": an example Chairs: Prof. Dr. Peter Kohl (Freiburg) & PD Dr Claudia Goettsch (Aachen)

(MERIDIAN)

14.15 - DFG information session: "All you wanted to know about DFG applications".

14.45 For all early and advanced scientists. With Q & A session.

DFG representatives: Dr. Sigrid Hanke, Dr. Wiebke Ginter
Followed by additional individual consultation with DFG representatives.

Booking & location: See Page 3 "DFG information sessions"

14.45 - 15.15 Coffee break

For help or questions...

The Orga Team can be recognized by a yellow colored name tag.

Please don't hesitate to get in touch with us!



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Time schedule / Room information

Date		Main program	RTG workshop	Satellite events
09.10	10.30 – 12.00		(OKZIDENT) RTG Workshop for representatives of graduate schools & educational programs - Concepts and challenges towards improved & sustainable training	(ORIENT) EUKISS European Kidney Summer School
	11.30 – 12.30	Registration		Opportunity for individual information session with DFG representatives:
	PM 1 12.30 – 12.45	(MERIDIAN) Meeting opening		
	12.45 – 13.45	As to diseases and AI, make a habit of two things — to help, or at least to do no harm Prof. Dr. Michael Gotthardt		
	PM 2 13.45 – 14.45	(MERIDIAN) Workshop: Opportunities and challenges for basic researchers in programs": an example	medicine – training and support in "medical scientist	"Clarifying questions related to DFG applications" (ORIENT + OKZIDENT)
			DFG information session: "All you wanted to know about DFG applications"	(Information & registration: program
	PM 3 15.15 – 17.50	Hot topics from the participating CRC consortia / parallel sessions covering cross-sectional topics Parallel session 1 (MERIDIAN) & session 2 (MISTRAL) Parallel session 3 (MERIDIAN) & session 4 (MISTRAL)		p.3)
	Evening 18.15 – 19.00	Keynote Lecture I: Prof. Dr. Vera Regitz-Zagrosek (MERIDIAN)		
	Late Session 19.00 – 21.30	Poster session (own research presentations by PhD/MD/postdocs + poster of concept & focus of each CRC / RTG); with fingerfood (FOYER)		
10.10	AM 1 08.15 – 09.25	(MERIDIAN) Welcome Epidemiology & Prevention: Prof. Dr. Stefan Blankenberg Environmental risk factors: Prof. Dr. Christoph Maack		
	AM 2 10.15 – 11.45	Keynote lecture II: Prof. Dr. Marcello Tonelli Keynote lecture III: Prof. Dr. Peter Libby		
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	PM 2 13.45 – 16.45	Current trends in funding of coordinated research: Dr. Suzanne Zit Importance of collaborative research consortia: Prof. Dr. Martin Pa From science to clinic - success stories: Prof. Dr. Hugo Katus, Prof.	ul	
	Evening 16.45 – 18.00	Podium discussion with CRC spokespersons		