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Travel information

The most convenient airport is **Zurich**, Switzerland. Alternatives are the regional airport **St. Gallen Altenrhein** (via Vienna) or **Friedrichshafen**. For train connections from the airports please turn to:

<http://www.sbb.ch/en/>, <http://www.bahn.de/>, <http://fahrplan.oebb.at/>

At Bregenz train station you might take the city bus (green line, 1 €), departing every 30 minutes. A walk from the train station to the monastery takes about 15-20 minutes.



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First Announcement

BREGENZ SUMMER SCHOOL ON ENDOCRINOLOGY 2011



Proposed Main Topics

1. **Hormones relevant to male reproduction: HPG AXIS AND THE TESTES**
2. **“Re-evolutionary regenerative Medicine”**
(According to and adapting a concept and comment recently published by Helen M. Blau & Jason H. Pomerantz in JAMA January 5, 2011—Vol 305, No. 1 87)
3. **Clocks and rhythms in endocrine systems regulating energy metabolism**
4. **Methods & Models: ‘Lowly model organisms’**
5. **Fat cells and chronic inflammation**
6. **Hormones and Cancer**
7. **Perspectives of postdocs in public domain non-university research institutes and industry**

Sunday, July 24th - Thursday, July 28th, 2011

Monastery Mehrerau
Bregenz, Austria

Sponsored by the DFG-funded Graduate College 1208 & DFG KFO 218 (Berlin) & the DFG-funded Graduate College 1208 and the International Graduate School in Molecular Medicine (Ulm)

A joint project of the European Society of Endocrinology (ESE) with the German Society of Endocrinology (DGE), the DGE Young Active Research (YAR), and the Deutsche Gesellschaft für Osteologie (DGO).

The German Society of Endocrinology and DFG funded projects can sponsor travel grants for young graduates and postgraduates.

Venue: Monastery Mehrerau, Bregenz, Austria

Scientific Organizing Committee: Josef Köhrle (Charité, Berlin) Franz Jakob (University of Würzburg), Jochen Seufert (University of Freiburg), Justo Castaño (ESE), Bernhard Otto Böhm (University of Ulm) and Representatives of YAR Group 2010: Susann Ludwig, Wageningen; Mona Mischke, Berlin; Frank Möller, Dresden; Mette Støedter, Berlin

Format & curricular elements: Plenary lectures, Interactive seminars, Workshops, Poster Sessions; Sports, communication & networking activities

Provisional Programme (as of March 23, 2011)

Topic 1: Hormones relevant to male reproduction: HPG AXIS AND THE TESTES

NN: Gonocytes forgotten cells?

Stefan Schlatt, Münster, D: testes xenografting: a model to explore testis development and endocrine function.

Iipo Huhtaniemi, London, UK: Targeted inactivation of AR and/or gonadotropins and their receptors

NN: Origin, development and regulation of human Leydig cells

Topic 2: "Re-evolutionary regenerative Medicine"

(Adapting a concept recently published by Helen M. Blau & Jason H. Pomerantz in JAMA Jan 5, 2011:305, 87)

NN: Limb regeneration in adult newts

Denitsa Docheva, Munich, D: Tendon degeneration and regeneration - the molecular basis for applications in regenerative medicine

Jorge Ferrer, Barcelona, Spain: plasticity of pancreatic cells

Eckhardt Lammert, Düsseldorf, D: stem cells islets, angiogenesis

Topic 3: Clocks and rhythms in endocrine systems regulating energy metabolism

Steven A. Brown, Zurich, CH: Of larchs and owls: when and in which cells do circadian clocks start ticking

Andries Kalsbeek, Amsterdam, NL: The hypothalamic clock and its control of glucose homeostasis.

NN: Circadian rhythm, metabolism and obesity

Topic 4: Methods & Models: Bioinformatics or 'lowly model organisms'

Vincent Laudet, France: Steroid and thyroid hormone signalling in amphioxus development

Barbara Demeneix, France: Endocrine disrupter- related malformations during vertebrate embryogenesis – transgenic xenopus development

NN: Dachshund homologues in islet cell development

Jörg Gromoll, Münster, D: Germ cell dynamics in the testis of the marmoset monkey (*Callithrix jacchus*)

Topic 5: Fat cells and chronic inflammation

Peter Gierschik, Ulm, D: G-coupled receptors and fat cell associated inflammation

Vardhman Rakyen, London, UK: The methylome – DNA methylation and histone modifications due to the exposure to environmental lifestyle factors.

Topic 6: Hormones and cancer

Jeff M. Holly, Bristol, UK: Cancer as an endocrine problem: the case for IGF-1 and its receptors and binding proteins.

Topic 7: Perspectives of postdocs in public domain non-university research institutes and industry

U. Broedl, Ingelheim, D: Perspectives of young scientists in non-university research institutes and industry.

Young investigators' day (Monday)

GENERAL INFORMATION

The Bregenz Summer School has a long standing tradition as an interactive hormone and endocrine related brain-storming and meeting place between academia, industry and clinicians.

The meeting venue is in a newly renovated complex of beautiful old buildings of the Collegium Bernardi, a boarding school operated by Kloster Mehrerau, within easy walking distance to the shore of the Lake Constance, Bregenz City Park, and a nature preserve. Bregenz, the State Capital of Vorarlberg, is a modern city of 27,000 and is the cultural center of the province.

The Collegium Bernardi can house up to 120 guests, participation will be confirmed on first come - first served basis. Please note that the Summer School is being held during the Bregenz Opera Festival – therefore alternative accommodations may be difficult to obtain.

Deadline for registration is June 30, 2011 !

PARTICIPATION FEES

<u>Registration</u>	<u>Accommodation & board 4 days</u>	
Senior Scientists		
€ 220.00	+ € 250.00	= € 470.00
Students/Postdocs (including accommodation)		
€ 100.00	+ € 200.00	= € 300.00

Registration fee for students, postdocs and other participants is including entry to all sessions, welcome reception on Sunday afternoon, coffee breaks and the conference handout.

The room and full board package for the entire meeting is 250.00 EUR for senior scientists and 200.00 EUR for students and postdocs. In case of accommodation outside the monastery, meals and coffee breaks at the monastery must be paid cash on site.

For Students/Postdocs only: Depending on attracted sponsorship, the registration fee can be refunded upon active participation which requires a poster presentation.

Students who will be presenting a poster may apply for **reimbursement of the registration fee**.

In addition, a **limited number of travel grants** will be available for graduate students/postdocs, depending on incoming support from sponsoring companies/organizations.

If only limited money is available, poster-presenting students/postdocs will be preferred. Money refunding and participation will be made available on a "first register and pay, first served" basis.

Payment: online <http://www.endoscience.de/>

Registration will be confirmed by mail. If no confirmation is received within one week, please contact the Congress secretariat.

Cancellation and refund policy

Notification of cancellation must be made in writing until June 30, 2011 and mailed to the congress secretariat with a reference to the bank account where a possible refund may be remitted to. An administrative fee of 30 € will be charged for refunds.

Cancellation and refund fee

Before June 30, 2010, total refund (excluding the administrative fee). After June 30, 2010 no refunds should be expected.

Credit will not be given for unattended events, late arrivals or early departure. All refunds will only be processed after the Congress.

The **Bregenz Opera Festival** will be presenting Umberto Giordano's Opera "André Chénier" on the floating stage (28 to 132 €) and Judith Weirs Opera Achterbahn (Festspielhaus, 40-95 €).

There will be tickets available to be booked directly by internet

(<http://www.bregenzfestspiele.com/>) or telephone: +43 5574 407-6 (ticket center).