6th International Neuro-Urology Meeting

The Annual Congress of the International Neuro-Urology Society

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Welcome

Dear friends and colleagues, ladies and gentlemen

It is our great honour and pleasure to invite you to attend the 6th International Neuro-Urology Meeting, to be held in Zürich, Switzerland, from 25-28 January 2018.

Neuro-Urology is a highly-regarded and relevant sub-speciality bridging the fields of both neurology and urology to treat and prevent the debilitating manifestations of lower urinary tract dysfunction which have major impact on our patients' health and their quality of life.

The world's leading experts in Neuro-Urology will provide an overview on the latest advances in research and clinical practice of this rapidly developing and exciting discipline. This unique meeting combines state-of-the-art lectures, lively panel discussions, and hands-on workshops with emphasis placed on interactive components. There will be many opportunities to exchange thoughts, experiences and ideas and also make new friendships.

We are proud that the International Neuro-Urology Meeting has become the official annual congress of the **International Neuro-Urology Society (INUS)**, a charitable, non-profit organisation aiming to promote all areas of Neuro-Urology at a global level.

To promote the next generation of outstanding young researchers and clinicians who represent the future of Neuro-Urology, we are excited to again announce the prestigious **Swiss Continence Foundation (SCF) Award of 10'000 Swiss francs** which will be awarded to the best contribution from a young Neuro-Urology talent at the 6th International Neuro-Urology Meeting.

We are extremely honoured to be organising the 6th International Neuro-Urology Meeting and are looking forward to seeing you in Zürich.

Best regards

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Prof. Helmut Madersbacher INUS President

Ass. Prof. Ulrich Mehnert SCF Vice-Chairman INUS Treasurer

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The International Neuro-Urology Society (INUS)

The International Neuro-Urology Society (INUS) is a medical and scientific non-profit organisation with the aim to sustainably improve and promote the medical care for patients suffering from neuro-urological disorders.

All researchers and health care professionals who deal with neuro-urological patients or research projects are eligible and welcome to apply for membership. If you are interested to become a member of the INUS please visit the society's homepage **www.neuro-uro.org**.

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Thursday 25 January 2018

| 08.00 – 12.30 | WORKSHOP A: Translational neuro-urological research (part I of II) <u>Chairs:</u> Célia D. Cruz, Marc P. Schneider | Letzisaal | | |
|---------------|---|---------------------|--|--|
| | Update on the systematic review results and the INUS platform | Marc P. Schneider | | |
| | Animal modeling of lower urinary tract dysfunction: Impact on translational research | Naoki Yoshimura | | |
| | Urodynamics in awake rats: Implantation of catheter and electrodes | Elena Esra Keller | | |
| 10.00–10.30 | Coffee break | | | |
| | Metabolic cage and urodynamics in animals: Power and limitations | Karl-Erik Andersson | | |
| | Extended analysis of the external urethral sphincter EMG in fully awake rats | Andrea Sartori | | |
| | Beyond animal urodynamics: What is the bladder tissue telling us? | Célia D. Cruz | | |
| | Neurogenic versus non-neurogenic bladder outlet obstruction | Katia Monastyrskaya | | |
| 12.30-13.30 | Lunch break | | | |



Thursday 25 January 2018

| 13.30 – 18.00 | WORKSHOP A: Translational neuro-urological research (part l | ll of II) Letzisaal |
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| | <u>Chairs:</u> Célia D. Cruz, Marc P. Schneider | |
| | Biomarkers in tissue and urine | Lori A. Birder |
| | Afferent neuromodulators of the lower urinary tract: New pharmacological targets | Yasuhiko Igawa |
| | Electrical stimulation : A panacea in translational neuro-urological research? | James S. Walter |
| | Effects of epidural stimulation in spinal cord injury | Charles H. Hubscher |
| 15.30-16.00 | Tea break | |
| | Botulinum toxin: future applications | Apostolos Apostolidis |
| | Anti-nogo-A antibody: From bench to bedside | Martin E. Schwab |
| | Stem cells for treating urinary incontinence | Daniel Eberli |
| | Inflammasomes: An alternative route to treat lower urinary tract dysfunction? | J. Todd Purves / Francis M. Hughes Jr. |
| | Conclusions | Célia D. Cruz, Marc P. Schneide |



Thursday 25 January 2018

| 08.00 - 12.00 | ICS Neuro-Urology Promotion Committee meeting (panel members only) | Albis 1 & 2 |
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| 12.00 - 16.00 | EAU Guidelines on Neuro-Urology meeting (panel members only) | Albis 3 |
| 16.00 - 18.30 | INUS board meeting (board members only) | Albis 1 & 2 |



Friday 26 January 2018

08.00 - 12.00Workshop B: Nightmare session - Challenges in Neuro-UrologyAlbis 3Chairs:Jacques Corcos, Jalesh N. Panicker

Case presentations by residents / junior staff members from the departments of the panelists

<u>Discussion panel:</u> Bertil F.M. Blok, Francisco Cruz, Alain Kaelin-Lang, Grigory Krivoborodov, Martin Schubert, Brigitte Schurch, John T. Stoffel, Gommert A. van Koeveringe



Friday 26 January 2018

 08.00 – 12.00
 WORKSHOP C: Sacral neuromodulation
 Letzisaal

 Chairs:
 Stefan de Wachter, Giulio Del Popolo
 Juan C. Castano, Emmanuel Chartier-Kastler, Daniel S. Engeler, Jerzy Gajewski, Howard B. Goldman, Limin Liao, Luis A. Rios, Michele Spinelli

Lectures

Sacral neuromodulation: overview and standardization of a minimally invasive procedure Mechanisms of action of sacral neuromodulation MRI and sacral neuromodulation: Where do we currently stand?

Case presentation and hands on training

Specific equipment, preparation and positioning,

surgical technique and follow-up

Tips and tricks

Dummy implantations & programming

What brings the future of sacral neuromodulation: new devices & new applications?

Stefan de Wachter Emmanuel Chartier-Kastler Howard B. Goldman

Giulio Del Popolo Daniel S. Engeler all

Michele Spinelli



Friday 26 January 2018

08.00 – 12.00 WORKSHOP D: Urodynamics Europasaal Chairs: Enrico Finazzi Agro, Ruth Kirschner-Hermanns Tutors: Marcio A. Averbeck, Cristiano M. Gomes, Jan Groen, Jorge Moreno-Palacios, Stefania Musco, Bárbara Padilla Fernández

Lectures

Terminology and standards How to perform a valid urodynamic investigation Case presentation

Hands on training

Lectures

Pittfalls of urodynamic testing Which catheter? water perfusion vs air-charged vs microtip Case presentation Hands on training Enrico Finazzi Agro Jorge Moreno-Palacios Stefania Musco all

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An overestimated problem in neuro-urology?

What do the guidelines tell us? EAU vs AUA

| 13.00 – 13.10 | Welcome | Thomas M. Kessler, Helmut Madersbacher, Ulrich M | lehnert | |
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| 13.10 – 14.45 | Joint session with EAN: Autonomic challenges in Neuro-Urology | | | |
| | Diagnostic work-up and tools | | David B. Vodusek | |
| | Types of autonomi | ic dysfunction and their consequences in daily life | Andrei Krassioukov | |
| | Complex neural co | ontrol: a challenge not only for the autonomic nervous system | Armin Curt | |
| | <u>Discussion panel:</u> Armin Curt, Alain Kaelin-Lang, Charalampos Konstantinidis, Andrei Krassioukov, Jalesh N. Panicker, Ryuji Sakakibara, David B. Vodusek | | | |
| 14.45 - 15.15 | Tea break | | | |
| 15.15 - 18.10 | Urinary tract infect | tions | | |
| | From bench to bed | dside: any clinical benefit from basic research? | David J. Klumpp | |

Jalesh N. Panicker

Jürgen Pannek vs John T. Stoffel



| | Global problem, loc | al solutions: Cases from different continents | Emmanuel Braschi Howard B. Goldman Charalampos Konstantinidis Limin Liao Mehri Mehrad |
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| | New perspectives in prophylaxis and treatment | | J. Todd Purves |
| | Discussion panel: | Emmanuel Braschi, Howard B. Goldman, David J. Klumpp, Charalampos Konstantinidis, Limin Liao, Mehri Mehrad, Jalesh N. Panicl Jürgen Pannek, J. Todd Purves, John T. Stoffel | |
| 18.10 - 18.20 | Update on new terr | ninology in Neuro-Urology | Jerzy Gajewski |
| 18.20 - 18.30 | News on Botulinum-A-Toxin in Neuro-Urology | | Brigitte Schurch |

18.30 - 19.30General Assembly International Neuro-Urology Society (INUS)



| 08.00 - 09.30 | The upper urinary tract: What do we need to know? | | |
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| | What can we learn | from animal models? | Gommert A. van Koeveringe |
| Management of renal failure | | nal failure | Emmanuel Chartier-Kastler |
| | Case-based mangement in daily practice | | Francisco Cruz |
| · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · | | Bertil F.M. Blok, Emmanuel Chartier-Kastler, Fra John T. Stoffel, Gommert A. van Koeveringe | ancisco Cruz, |

09.30 – 10.00 Coffee break



10.00 – 12.30 Young talents in Neuro-Urology

Young upcoming talents in the field will present their latest scientific findings and compete for The Swiss Continence Foundation Award of 10'000 Swiss francs.

Application and awarding criteria can be reviewed at www.swisscontinencefoundation.ch.

<u>Award jury:</u> Karl-Dietrich Sievert Francisco Cruz Naoki Yoshimura Gommert A. van Koeveringe Blayne Welk

12.30 – 13.30 Lunch break



| 13.30 - 14.00 | State-of-the-art lecture:Spine surgery and Neuro-UrologyMazda Farshad | | Mazda Farshad |
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| 14.00 – 16.00 | - 16.00 Joint session with SIUD | | |
| | Chairs: Bertil F.M. Blok, Enrico Finazzi Agro | | |
| | Bladder | Giulio del Popolo, Karl-Dietrich Sievert | |
| | Bowel | Michele Spinelli, Blayne Welk | |
| | Sex | Maurizio Serati, Michael J. Kennelly | |
| | Pain | Lori A. Birder, Antonella Giannantoni | |
| | Discussion panel: | Lori A. Birder, Bertil F.M. Blok, Giulio del Popol Enrico Finazzi Agro, Antonella Giannantoni, N Maurizio Serati, Karl-Dietrich Sievert, Michele | lichael J. Kennelly, |

16.00 – 16.30 Tea break



16.30 - 18.30 Differences in the neuro-urological management of children, adolescents and adults

| How many neuro-u | rologists are needed - how to manage transition? | Helmut Madersbacher, Dan Wood |
|---------------------|--|-------------------------------|
| Different treatment | concepts in children vs adults - important decision or needless detail? | Rita Gobet, J. Todd Purves |
| Discussion panel: | Juan C. Castano, Rita Gobet, Helmut Ma J. Todd Purves, Dan Wood | dersbacher, |



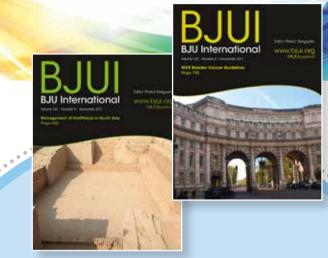


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Scientific programme | Saturday 27 January 2018 | NURSING DAY

08.30 - 10.00Case-based neuro-physiology of lower urinary tract, sexual and bowel (dys)function Jalesh N. Panicker, Joanne Baldwin 10.00 - 10.30 Coffee break 10.30 - 12.00 Catheterization: A major challenge in Neuro-Urology Theory and hands-on: Helmut Madersbacher, Dora Mair Lunch break 12.00 - 13.00 Non-invasive and invasive urodynamics 13.00 - 15.00 Theory and hands-on: Márcio A. Averbeck, Andrea Ungricht Tea break 15.00 - 15.30 15.30 - 17.00 Case-based treatments in Neuro-Urology Jerzy Gajewski, Cristiano M. Gomes, Doris Meyer 17.00 - 18.00 How to prevent urinary tract infections? Charalampos Konstantinidis, Theodora Makris



| 08.00 – 11.30 | Surgery in motion | | |
|---------------|-----------------------|--|-----------------------------------|
| | Sphincteric prosthe | esis | Jacques Corcos |
| | Bladder augmentat | ion | Frank van der Aa |
| | Cystectomy | | Urs E. Studer |
| 09.30 – 10.00 | Coffee break | | |
| | Urinary diversion | | Xavier Gamé |
| | Urethral stricture su | urgery | Oliver Engel |
| | Brindley bladder st | imulator | Juan C. Castano |
| | Discussion panel: | Juan C. Castano, Jacques Corcos, Oliver Urs E. Studer, Frank van der Aa | ⁻ Engel, Xavier Gamé, |
| 11.30 - 12.15 | State-of-the-art lec | ture: Nocturia and nocturnal polyuria | Karel Everaert |
| 12.15 – 12.30 | Conclusions | | Thomas M. Kessler, Ulrich Mehnert |
| 12.30 - 13.30 | Farewell lunch | | SWIS |



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Please register online through our websites: **www.swisscontinencefoundation.ch** or **www.neuro-uro.org** Active members of the INUS, i.e. with activated INUS membership account, benefit from a **20% discount** on the meeting attendance fee. Not yet an INUS member? --> register here: **www.neuro-uro.org**.

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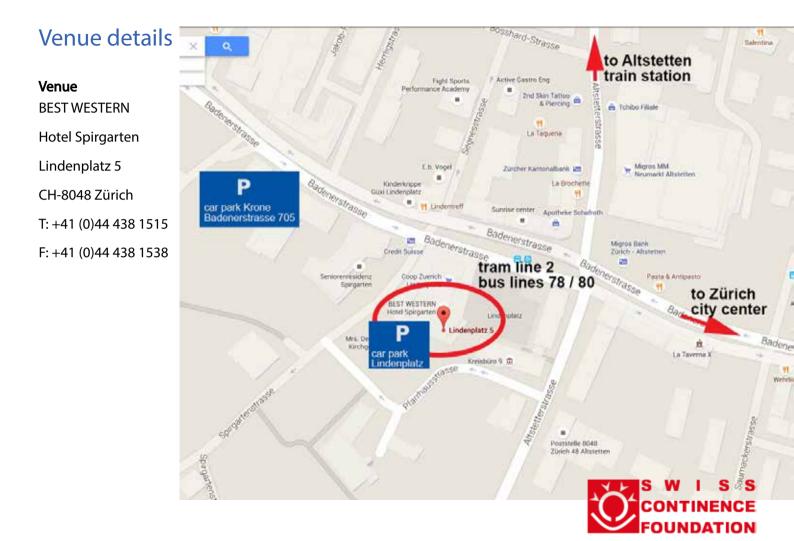
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<u>By plane</u>: Zürich airport is one of the most modern airports in Europe. There are regular flights to Zürich from most countries and major cities of the world. From Zürich airport, you reach the meeting venue easily by car/taxi (30-45 min) or by train (15-20 min to Zürich Altstetten station). From Zürich Altstetten station you reach the meeting venue by bus (7 min, lines 78 and 80, bus stop "Lindenplatz") or by walking (10 min).

<u>By train:</u> Switzerland has an excellent public transportation system. The Zürich main station (Zürich HB) can be regularly reached from all major Swiss cities. There are also high-speed and overnight trains from major cities in Germany, Italy and France. From Zürich main station it is only a 5 min train ride to Zürich Altstetten station from where the meeting venue can be reached by walking (10 min), bus (7 min, lines 78 and 80) or car/taxi (3 min).

By car: Zürich has excellent road connections to all major Swiss cities and the surrounding countries. However, we recommend to use public transport if possible as parking spaces are limited.

<u>Public transport in Zürich</u>: Zürich has one of the most efficient public transportation systems in the world. The Zürich Altstetten station is in walking distance (10 min) to the meeting venue and offers frequent direct train connections to Zürich main station, Zürich airport and several other distinations in Switzerland.

In direct proximity to the meeting venue are the tram and bus stops "Lindenplatz" which are conveniently connected with Zürich Altstetten station (bus lines 78 and 80) and the city center (tram line 2). The bus and tram stops "Lindenplatz" can be reached as follows:

From Zürich main station (Zürich HB):

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From city center, i.e. tram stop Paradeplatz or Bellevue:

- tram line 2 -> in the direction of Farbhof, Lindenplatz is 12th or 14th stop respectively (18-24 min).



Special events

Saturday 27 January 2018

19.30 Gala dinner (with Swiss Continence Foundation Award ceremony)

Enjoy a swiss aperó and a delicious 4-course meal in one of Zürich's most beautiful and magnificent guild houses. The enchanting **Zunfthaus zur Meisen**, build in 1757 by David Morf in rococo style, is located in the heart of Zürich at the Limmatquai promenade.

This guild house is famous for its interior decoration. The paintings on the ceilings and walls by Johann Balthasar Bullinger are still in excellent condition, as are the tiled tower-stoves by Leonhard Locher and Hans Jakob Hofmann and the ornate stucco ceilings by the Tyrolian master Johan Schuler.

The guild house "Zur Meisen" has always been a magnet for famous personalities. During the 19th century, national celebrities such as Gottfried Keller and Ferdinand Hodler met in the Café "Zur Meisen". In the 20th century, royalty such as Queen Elizabeth II and King Gustav of Sweden or renown politicians like Jimmy Carter or Winston Churchill were guests in the house.

From the meeting venue at Lindenplatz it will take an 18 minutes tram ride with line 2 to Paradeplatz from where a 7 minutes walk through the picturesque historic city center and across the Limmat river will bring you to this year's gala dinner venue: Zunfthaus zur Meisen, Münsterhof 20, 8001 Zürich







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