

WELCOME NOTE

REGISTRATION AND ACCOMMODATION

University Hospital
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Dear Colleagues, Patients and Caregivers,

We are pleased to invite you to the 9th International Meeting on Neuroacanthocytosis Syndromes which will take place in Dresden, Germany, March 23–25, 2018. It follows the previous 8 international symposia, the last of which was held in Ann Arbor, USA in May, 2016.

Neuroacanthocytosis Syndromes are a group of rare neurological disorders. Chorea Acanthocytosis is the “core” disease of this family caused by mutations in the VPS13A gene encoding for chorein. As a neurodegenerative disease it leads to chorea, epilepsy, problems with mood, thinking and memory, and acanthocytosis of red blood cells. At present there are no treatments that can halt or slow down the progression of these diseases; however, our research continues to move in the direction of possible therapies.

The objectives of this meeting are to bring together basic and clinical neuroscientists and neurologists to address new discoveries in this expanding field. There will be a particular focus on important developments in basic science since 2016, in addition to the potential clinical translation of experimental treatments developed in vitro.

We encourage young faculty and students to present their work for example during the poster session.

Patients and caregivers continue to play a critical role in this process, as we will discuss together the next steps, action points, and future studies. This is a collaborative process involving researchers, clinicians, patients, and caregivers, in our quest to advance knowledge and practice. As always, the Advocacy for Neuroacanthocytosis Patients is playing a crucial role in determining our goals.

We are looking forward to welcoming you in Dresden, the “Florence on the Elbe”,

Andreas Hermann
Chair of the Meeting

Kevin Peikert
Congress Secretary

We tried hard to reduce costs wherever possible. We want to encourage young scientists to attend the meeting. Registration fee includes the meeting costs and food & beverage during the day.

Registration fee: 100€ [full meeting] / 50€ [day ticket]

Discounted registration fee*: 50€ [full meeting]

*discounts are available for students/PhD students.

Registration Link:

📄 www.ukdd.de/neuroacanthocytosis-syndromes-meeting

Accommodation in the meeting’s hotel is not included.

For reservation of your hotel room please use the official reservation form provided by the hotel. **A block of hotel rooms for your reservation is available until February 9, 2018.**

Accommodation and registration for patients and caregivers will not be charged. However, they are kindly ask to register on the website.

Deadline for Abstracts: February 1st, 2018

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Meeting’s Website:

📄 www.ukdd.de/neuroacanthocytosis-syndromes-meeting

MEETING VENUE

The meeting will be held at:

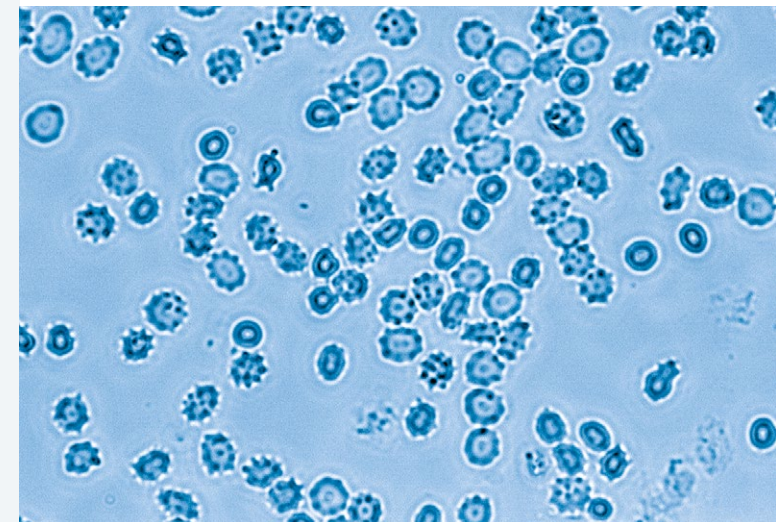
Radisson Blu Park Hotel & Conference Centre, Dresden Radebeul
Nizzastrasse 55, D-01445 Dresden Radebeul, Germany

📄 <https://www.radissonblu.com/en/parkhotel-dresdenadebeul>

The conference hotel is located just a few kilometers from Radebeul city center, it also provides proximity to Dresden. For arrival information, e.g. from Dresden international airport or main station, please visit the hotel’s website.

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March 23–25, 2018, Dresden, Germany



MAIN SPONSORS:



THURSDAY, MARCH 22, 2018:

Optional: Arriving of patients and caregivers

FRIDAY, MARCH 23, 2018:

Patients and Caregivers Session I

- 11:00–13:00 Registration /Lunch
- 13:00–13:15 Introduction by Ginger and Alex Irvine and Joy and Mark Williford
- 13:15–13:30 Roundtable introduction of all participants
- 13:30–14:00 Short clinical overview (Walker, Danek)
- 14:00–15:00 New developments in translational research (Danek, Hermann)
- 15:00–15:30 Coffee break
- 15:30–16:30 Medical Q & A (Walker, Danek, Hermann)

Scientists/Patients and Caregivers

- 13:00–17:00 Registration
- 17:00 Conference Opening
- 17:30–19:00 Scientific Opening Session
- 19:00 Reception
- 19:30 Dinner

SATURDAY, MARCH 24, 2018:

Scientists/Patients and Caregivers

- 09:00–12:00 Scientific talks
- 12:00–13:00 Lunch
- 13:00–15:00 Parallel sessions I: Scientific talks
Patients and Caregivers Session II:
Physical therapy/ logo therapy/ music therapy
- 15:00–15:30 Coffee break
- 15:30–17:00 Parallel sessions II: Scientific talks
Patients and Caregivers Session III:
Caregiver issues
- 18:00–19:00 Poster Session
- 19:30 Dinner

End of Patient and Caregiver meeting

SUNDAY, MARCH 25, 2018:

Scientists

- 08:30–10:00 Scientific workshop: Results and questions from two experimental treatment approaches
- 10:00–10:30 Coffee break
- 10:30–13:00 Scientific meeting: Workshop on future directions of scientific work
- 13:00–14:00 Lunch and End of meeting

Detailed agenda is going to be published soon, please check the meeting's website.

- **Sami Barmada**, Neurology, Medical School, University of Michigan, USA
- **Cathy Collins**, Molecular, Cellular & Developmental Biology, University of Michigan, USA
- **Adrian Danek**, Neurologische Klinik, Klinikum der Universität, LMU Munich, Germany
- **Ricardo Escalante**, Instituto de Investigaciones Biomédicas Alberto Sols, Madrid, Spain
- **Lucia De Franceschi**, Department of Medicine, University of Verona, and Azienda Ospedaliera Universitaria di Verona (AOUI-Verona), Italy
- **Bob Fuller**, Cellular and Molecular Biology Program, Medical School, University of Michigan, USA
- **Florian Lang**, Department of Physiology, Eberhard-Karls-Universität Tübingen, Germany
- **Masayuki Nakamura**, Kagoshima University Graduate School of Medical and Dental Sciences, Department of Psychiatry, Kagoshima, Japan
- **Aaron Neiman**, Department of Biochemistry and Cell Biology, Stony Brook University
- **Ody Sibon**, Department of Cell Biology, University Medical Center Groningen, University of Groningen, The Netherlands
- **Ruth H. Walker**, Department of Neurology, James J. Peters Veterans Affairs Medical Center, Bronx, NY, and Mount Sinai School of Medicine, New York, NY, USA
- **Teresa Zoladek**, Institute of Biochemistry and Biophysics, Polish Academy of Sciences, Department of Genetics, Warsaw, Poland

TOPICS

I. Introduction

Neuroacanthocytosis Syndromes

II. Basic Science Topics

Lower organisms model systems

■ Yeast ■ Dictyostelium

Animal models

■ Drosophila ■ VPS13A mouse

Cell models

■ iPSC

Disease pathways

■ Lyn pathway ■ PI3K pathway

III. Clinical translation and standard of care

Standard of Care in ChAc Patient centered care

Clinical translation

■ Clinical trial readiness

■ Dasatinib ■ Lithium

IV. Poster Session**V. Patients' Program**