

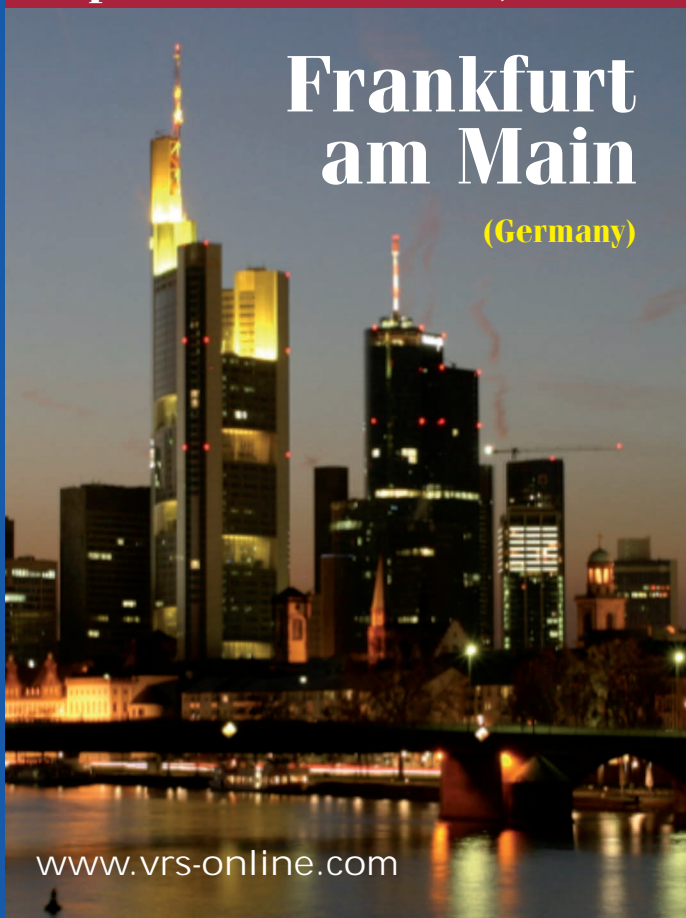
Preliminary Program

15th VitreoRetinal Symposium

September 24th - 25th, 2015

Frankfurt am Main

(Germany)



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VitreoRetinal Skill-Labs

24th September 2015

15th VRS

Dear colleagues,

"Ophthalmic Diagnostics, Technology and Skill-Lab Education: VitreoRetinal Challenges in 2015" is the title of the upcoming 15th VitreoRetinal Symposium 2015 in Frankfurt/Main.

The Retina Study Group of the University Eye Clinic FFM participates in several pharmaceutical studies in cooperation with Alimera Science Ophthalmology, Bayer HealthCare and Novartis Pharma.

It's my personal pleasure to announce a Forum Oculis Special Day organized by Bayer HealthCare on Saturday right after the VitreoRetinal Symposium 2015 for which I took over the scientific chairmanship.

It will be organized in a beautiful historical new meeting venue (Westend Campus of the Wolfgang Goethe University, Grüneburgplatz 1, in 60323 Frankfurt/Main).

This meeting will give you the opportunity to get an update and the newest insights in essential topics as Visual Quality Measurements, Ultrasonography, OCT, a variety of Pars Plana Technologies and the integration of virtual reality education into different health care providing concepts.

Moreover, it will give you the possibility of a direct and intensive contact with many experts in the field during comprehensive skill-lab education sessions and invited paper sessions.

Everybody's input either during interactive discussion periods in the lecture hall or by presenting a poster (size of no more than 120cm wide and 120cm high) or outside of the hall during coffee and lunch breaks or at the social events on Friday at the Knights Banquet & Spectacle at Castle Frankenstein are extremely welcome and do indeed essentially contribute to the outcome and success of the meeting. In all sections doctors and corporate sponsors are fully involved and encouraged to actively participate.

We very much look forward to getting together with you in September this year.

With kind regards

Yours sincerely,



Prof. Dr. med. Frank H. J. Koch
University Eye-Clinic Frankfurt/Main

„Ophthalmic Diagnostics, Technology and Skill-Lab Education: VitreoRetinal Challenges in 2015“ beschreibt die Thematik des bevorstehenden 15. VitreoRetinal Symposium 2015 in Frankfurt/Main.

Die Retina Studiengruppe der Universitäts-Augenklinik Frankfurt/Main nimmt an verschiedenen pharmazeutischen Studien in Kooperation mit Alimera Science Ophthalmology, Bayer HealthCare und Novartis Pharma teil.

Es ist mir eine persönliche Freude einen von der Firma Bayer HealthCare organisierten „Forum Oculus Special Day“ anzukündigen, der am Samstag im Anschluss an das VitreoRetinal Symposium 2015 stattfinden wird und für den ich die wissenschaftliche Leitung übernommen habe.

Das VitreoRetinal Symposium 2015 wird an einem wunderschönen neuen Tagungsort (Westend Campus der Wolfgang Goethe Universität, Grüneburgplatz 1, 60323 Frankfurt/Main) stattfinden.

Ziel ist es, ein Update über die aktuellsten Erkenntnisse im Zusammenhang mit Themen wie Visus Qualitätsmanagement, Ultraschall- und OCT-Diagnostik, verschiedenen Pars plana Vitrektomie-Technologien und mit der Integration der virtuell realen Ausbildung in verschiedene Diagnostik- und Behandlungskonzepte zu vermitteln.

Darüber hinaus ist ein direkter und intensiver Kontakt zu vielen Experten während der umfangreichen Ausbildungs-„Skill-Labs“ am Donnerstag und während der Vorträge der eingeladenen Referenten am Freitag möglich.

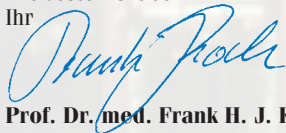
Jeder Beitrag, entweder innerhalb der interaktiven Diskussionsperioden im Hörsaal oder durch eine Posterpräsentation (Größe: 120 cm x 120 cm) oder außerhalb des Hörsaals während der Kaffee- oder Mittagspause oder bei der gemeinsamen Abendveranstaltung, die als Rittermahl und Spektakel in Burg Frankenstein stattfinden wird, ist äußerst willkommen und wird gewiss wesentlich zum Ergebnis und Erfolg der Tagung beitragen.

In allen Bereichen der Tagung sind Ärzte und Sponsoren involviert und aufgefordert, aktiv daran teilzunehmen.

Wir freuen uns wirklich sehr, Sie im September diesen Jahres beim VitreoRetinal Symposium 2015 begrüßen zu dürfen.

Mit besten Grüßen

Ihr



Prof. Dr. med. Frank H. J. Koch

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We would like to thank the following companies for their generous support accomplishing these VitreoRetinal Skill-Labs and the 15th VitreoRetinal Symposium (as of July 2015):



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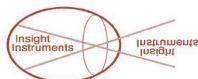
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Location

Johann Wolfgang Goethe University

Frankfurt/Main (Germany)

Campus Westend, Casinogebäude

Grüneburgplatz 1, D-60323 Frankfurt/Main

Parking

You find a parking area, if you follow the street
Grüneburgplatz

Tram-connection

Subway U1, U2, U3 until stop "Holzhausenstraße"

Registration

Thursday, 24th September 2015 08:00 – 19:00

Friday, 25th September 2015 08:00 – 18:00

Skill-Lab A
Skill-Lab B

Thursday, 24th September 2015 08:30 – 12:30

Thursday, 24th September 2015 13:30 – 17:30

Symposium

Friday, 25th September 2015 09:00 – 18:00

Participation
fees

	Symposium Friday (lunch included)		Skill-Lab A and B Thursday (prize per Skill-Lab)		Social Event Thursday night (incl. dinner + transfer)
	Earlybird until 1 st August 2015	after 1 st August 2015	Earlybird until 1 st August 2015	after 1 st August 2015	
Regular	€ 100,00	€ 120,00	€ 220,00	€ 250,00	€ 60,00
Resident*, Student*	€ 60,00	€ 80,00	€ 180,00	€ 210,00	€ 45,00
			The fee for the Skill-Lab has to be paid in advance!		

Incl. VAT, excl. foreign transfer fees

**) certification required. This has to be enclosed with the announcement or
faxed to (+49) 02 11 / 59 35 60, otherwise the regular fee will be charged.*

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General Information

Deadline for
reduced fees

1st August 2015

Official languages

English / German

Remittance
of fees

Invoice payable upon receipt into bank account
or by MasterCard, American Express, Visa or PayPal

Exhibition

The symposium will be accompanied by a commercial
exhibition. In addition companies will present their
“newest and greatest” in the scientific program.

Hotels

Please use the enclosed hotel registration form for your
hotel reservation.

CME-Credits:

**The VitreoRetinal Symposium 2015 and the vitreo-
retinal Skill-Labs will be certified as a further edu-
cation diploma according to the guidelines of the
German Medical Association!**

Important notes for participants

Reduced participation fees need to be certified with the
announcement.

Registration fees include lunches (Thursday & Friday), all
coffee breaks and the summary of the abstracts.

If you register late or on site we cannot guarantee for
lunch and participation at the social program. The regis-
tration fee for the symposium does not include participa-
tion in the Skill-Labs. So please register for the sympo-
sium and for the Skill-Labs separately, so that your regis-
tration is definite. You are encouraged to apply for the an-
nual meeting and/or the Skill-Labs either online, by e-mail
or by fax. Cancellation for the VitreoRetinal Symposium
2015 has to be made via e-mail or via fax ((+49) 02 11 /
59 35 60) by 9th September 2015 and cancellation for the
Skill-Labs by 9th September 2015: In any case an admini-
stration charge of Euro 20,- has to be paid. After these
dates, no refunds can be made.

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Social Event
and Dinner

24th September 2015, 20:00

**Knights Banquet
& Spectacle
at Castle
Frankenstein**



VitreoRetinal Challenges 2015/16

- OSI – learn to diagnose before you treat
- Deliberate Practice in Eyesi – improve your skill systematically
- Active participation during “Real-Time Surgery”
- Learn where medical and surgical concepts to treat vitreoretinal diseases join each other
- Learn about injections and application of sustained drug delivery devices – partial (core) – full vitrectomy

Invited speakers and instructors (as of July 2015):

Albert J. Augustin, MD	Karlsruhe, Germany
Karl T. Boden, MD	Sulzbach, Germany
Silvia Bopp, MD	Bremen, Germany
Svenja Deuchler, MD	Frankfurt/Main, Germany
Paul B. Griggs, MD	Seattle, USA
Herman O. C. Gümbel, MD	Ulm, Germany
Lars-Olof Hattenbach, MD	Ludwigshafen, Germany
Fritz H. Hengerer, MD	Frankfurt/Main, Germany
Martin Heßling, MD	Ulm, Germany
Fabian Höhn, MD	Pforzheim, Germany
Hans Hoerauf, MD	Göttingen, Germany
Frank H. J. Koch, MD	Frankfurt/Main, Germany
Michael J. Koss, MD	Heidelberg, Germany
Klaus Lucke, MD	Bremen, Germany
Tamer Mahmoud, MD	Durham, USA
Maya Müller, MD	Oltten, Switzerland
Michael Müller, MD	Frankfurt/Main, Germany
Sundaram Natarajan, MD	Mumbai, India
Hugo Quiroz-Mercado, MD	Denver, USA
Henrik Schäfer, MD	Untereichenbach, Germany
Markus Schill, PhD	Mannheim, Germany
Norbert F. Schrage, MD	Köln, Germany
Pankaj Singh, MD	Frankfurt/Main, Germany
Clemens Wagner, PhD	Mannheim, Germany

Thursday, 24th September 2015

(1st day)

Skill-Lab A

08:30 – 12:30

Surgeons: How to handle a phaco/vitreotomy machine and the SUPER VIEW® Wide Angle Viewing System attached to different microscopes? (Hands-on-Technology) How to perform injections/implantations? (Practice Eye + Surgical Simulator Eyesi surgical)
Students and Teacher: How to look into the eye? (Diagnostic Simulator Eyesi indirect)

Skill-Lab B

13:30 – 17:30

Surgeons: How to start a PPV?
Core PPV vs. 3-port PPV.
How to get the vitreous out, cause posterior vitreous detachment and perform “a peel”?
(in Eyesi surgical)
Students and Teacher: How to look into the eye?
(Diagnostic Simulator Eyesi indirect)
How to reattach a retina and how to “deliberate practice” = how to improve skills “sky high”?
(in Eyesi)
Students and Teacher: How to look into the eye?
(Diagnostic Simulator Eyesi indirect)

Location

Johann Wolfgang Goethe University
Campus Westend, Casinogebäude
Grüneburgplatz 1, D-60323 Frankfurt/Main (Germany)

Language

English / German

Maximum
participants
per Skill-Lab

16

Friday, 25th September 2015 (2nd day)

09:00-18:00

Injuries / Trauma

Herman O. C. Gumbel	Ulm, Germany
Fritz H. Hengerer	Frankfurt/Main, Germany
Sundaram Natarajan	Mumbai, India

Imaging / OCT-Workshop

Fritz H. Hengerer	Frankfurt/Main, Germany
Michael J. Koss	Heidelberg, Germany
Maya Müller	Olten, Switzerland
Michael Müller	Frankfurt/Main, Germany
Pankaj Singh	Frankfurt/Main, Germany

Retina detachment

Karl T. Boden	Sulzbach, Germany
Silvia Bopp	Bremen, Germany
Frank H. J. Koch	Frankfurt/Main, Germany
Klaus Lucke	Bremen, Germany
Clemens Wagner	Mannheim, Germany

Vitreotomy / Dye

Frank H. J. Koch	Frankfurt/Main, Germany
Sundaram Natarajan	Mumbai, India
Pankaj Singh	Frankfurt/Main, Germany

Silicone oil and heavy liquids

Silvia Bopp	Bremen, Germany
Hugo Quiroz-Mercado	Denver, USA

VitreoRetinal-Interface visualisation

Fabian Höhn	Pforzheim, Germany
Frank H. J. Koch	Frankfurt/Main, Germany
Michael J. Koss	Heidelberg, Germany
Pankaj Singh	Frankfurt/Main, Germany

Update simulators

Markus Schill	Mannheim, Germany
Pankaj Singh	Frankfurt/Main, Germany
Clemens Wagner	Mannheim, Germany

Breakthrough in medical and surgical retina

Albert J. Augustin	Karlsruhe, Germany
Paul B. Griggs	Seattle, USA
Lars-Olof Hattenbach	Ludwigshafen, Germany
Martin Heßling	Ulm, Germany
Tamer Mahmoud	Durham, USA
Pankaj Singh	Frankfurt/Main, Germany

Poster exhibition

Svenja Deuchler	Frankfurt/Main, Germany
Henrik Schäfer	Untereichenbach, Germany
Frank H. J. Koch	Frankfurt/Main, Germany
Pankaj Singh	Frankfurt/Main, Germany

and further faculty members

**Saturday,
26th September 2015**

(Extra-Day)

Forum Oculus Special

Official language priority: German

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