THE LIVER´S INFLUENCE ON IMMUNE CELL FUNCTION AND ITS CONSEQUENCE FOR LIVER DISEASE

February 13-14, 2025

Symposium

MUNICH, GERMANY

APPLICATION FOR CME CREDITS SUBMITTED

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An application has been made to the UEMS EACCME® for CME accreditation of this event. The number of credits awarded will be printed in the final program.

PREFACE

Dear colleagues and friends,

it is my great pleasure to invite you to the Symposium “The Liver’s Influence on Immune Cell Function and its Consequence for Liver Desease” organized by the Falk Foundation e.V. The Symposium will take place from Thursday 13th to Friday 14th of February 2025 at the TUM University Hospital München Rechts der Isar and precede the annual meeting of the German Association for the Study of Liver Disease in 2025 in Munich.

This Symposium will address the important topic of local regulation of immune responses in the liver. Internationally known experts in the field will address key questions in liver immunology, macrophage biology, metabolic liver disease, and immune therapy strategies within the context of spatial biology in the liver. Given the important role of the liver as an immunological organ and the impact of ill-controlled immunity on the development of liver disease, this Symposium offers a unique opportunity for scientists and clinicians to learn, network, and contribute to our shared scientific knowledge on Liver Immunology.

I am very grateful to all the speakers who, with their scientific contributions, will make this meeting a success and to the FALK Foundation e.V. for their sponsoring of this Symposium and for their relentless effort in supporting science to improve our understanding of liver diseases.

The local scientific organizing team and I are looking forward to seeing you in Munich!

Sincerely,

Percy A. Knolle

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For admission to scientific events your name badge should be clearly visible.

Accompanying persons are not permitted during the conference at any time.

Call for Posters:
A poster session will be held.
For details see page 10.

Start of Registration:
Thursday, February 13, 2025
12:00 - 18:00 h
at the congress office

Publication Date of the Final Program:
February 2025

The final program will be available on the website www.falkfoundation.org one week before the start of the symposium.

Thursday, February 13, 2025

12:00 Registration and lunch with poster session

13:10 Welcome
Percy Knolle, Munich

SESSION I

Influence of the Liver on Immune Cell Function

Chairs: *N.N.; N.N.*

13:15 Local regulation of CD8 T cell function in the liver
N.N.

13:40 Dynamics and function of memory CD8 T cells in the liver
N.N.

14:05 Restoration of hepatic CD8 T cell immunity in chronic infection
N.N.

14:30 Role of innate-like T cells in the liver for local immunity
N.N.

14:55 Impact of CD4 T cells on the regulation of liver immunity
N.N.

15:20 **Coffee break with poster session**

Thursday, February 13, 2025

SESSION II

MAFLD and Immune Cell Function

Chairs: *N.N.; N.N.*

16:00	Immune cells and platelets in liver immunity and MASH *N.N.*
16:25	Immunity, fibrosis and metabolic liver disease *N.N.*
16:50	Role of liver macrophages in metabolic liver disease *N.N.*
17:15	CD8 T cell auto-aggression and metabolic liver disease *N.N.*
17:40	Dendritic cells in metabolic liver disease *N.N.*
18:05	**Networking and poster session with light refreshments**

Friday, February 14, 2025

SESSION III

Unique Functions of Liver Macrophages

Chairs: *N.N.; N.N.*

09:00	Dynamics and mechanisms determining the Kupffer cell niche in the liver *N.N.*
09:20	Hepatic fibrosis and liver macrophage function *N.N.*
09:40	Metabolic liver disease and its long-lasting effect on liver macrophages *N.N.*
10:00	Spatial biology of liver macrophages and their function *N.N.*
10:20	Cell death and liver macrophage function *N.N.*
10:40	**Coffee break with poster session**

Friday, February 14, 2025

SESSION IV

Immune Therapy and the Liver

Chairs: *N.N.; N.N.*

11:00	Immune therapy of liver cancer *N.N.*
11:20	Therapeutic vaccination against chronic hepatitis B *N.N.*
11:40	Liver Transplantation and immune therapy *N.N.*
12:00	Therapy of autoimmune liver disease *N.N.*
12:20	Novel imaging technologies for future guidance decision-making
12:40	**Lunch with poster session**
13:15	**Opening of the annual meeting of the GASL**

LIST OF SPEAKERS, MODERATORS AND SCIENTIFIC ORGANIZERS

POSTER SESSION

Posters will be exhibited on February 13-14, 2025. The authors will be in attendance during coffee and lunch breaks on both days.

CALL FOR POSTERS

Please submit your poster abstract before November 13, 2024.

Abstracts must be submitted via our Internet Abstract Submission System (https://poster.falkfoundation.com) where further information regarding the submission format and the submission process is available.

The abstracts will be selected by the scientific organizers, with preference being given to those thematically related to one of the sessions of the congress.

The accepted abstracts will be printed and distributed to congress participants along with the other meeting information.

Poster authors will receive notification about acceptance and further instructions in January, 2025.

For the first author of an accepted poster, accommodation expenses (February, 13-14, 2025) and fees for the scientific program will be covered during Symposium. Travel expenses will not be covered.

REGISTRATION

You can register for the event via our homepage:
www.falkfoundation.org
Registration is only possible online.

You will receive an automatic confirmation of registration by e-mail. Please transfer the congress fee to the bank account listed in the e-mail within two weeks.

CONGRESS FEES

Scientific Program of Symposium	EUR 150
Students (copy of student ID required)	EUR 75

The congress fees include:
– Refreshments during coffee breaks
– Lunch on Thursday, February 13 and Friday, February 14, 2025
– Snacks during scientific discussion on Thursday, February 13, 2025
– A copy of the final program

CONGRESS OFFICE AND REGISTRATION

Opening Hours:

Thursday, February 13, 2025	12:00 - 18:00 h
Friday, February 14, 2025	8:00 – 12:30 h

The Falk Foundation will take pictures during the meeting. Additionally, parts of the meeting might be recorded. By participating all attendees consent and agree with the recording and the photo shoots.

ARRIVAL

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By Train & Tram

From Munich Central Station, take the underground line U4 towards Arabellapark or U5 towards Neuperlach Süd. From both underground lines it is four stops to Max-Weber-Platz. From here, follow the signs for 'MRI' to Ismaninger Straße.

From Ostbahnhof, take the U5 underground line in the direction of Laimer Platz and get off at Max-Weber-Platz. From here, follow the signs for 'MRI' to Ismaninger Straße.

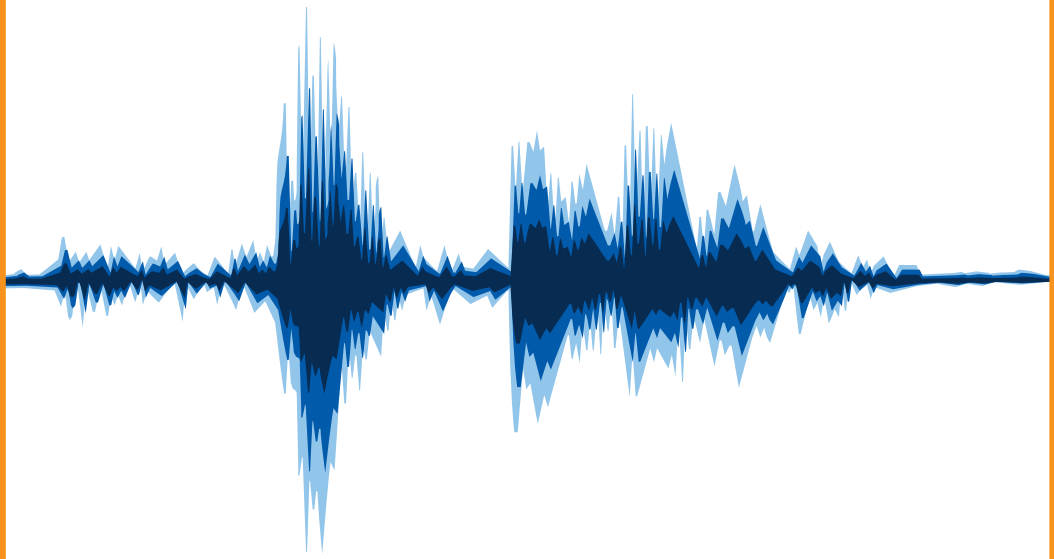
By Plane

Munich Airport is located approx. 30 kilometres outside the city centre. From the airport, take the S-Bahn line S8 to the München Ostbahnhof stop. Change there to the underground line U5 in the direction of Laimer Platz and travel one stop to Max-Weber-Platz. From here, follow the signs for 'MRI' to Ismaninger Straße.

CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

Members of the scientific committee declare the following potential conflicts of interest:
Percy A. Knolle: no potential conflict of interest to report

Registration via www.falkfoundation.org or simply scan and register.



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