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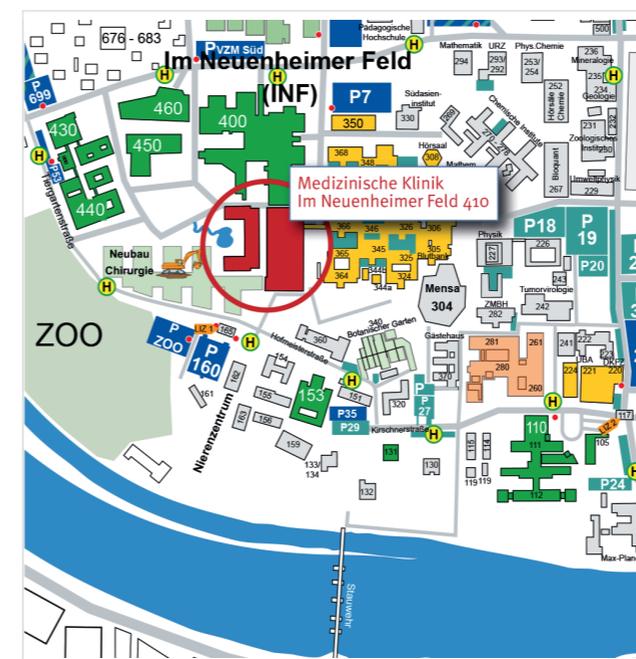
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## Conference of the German Network on systemic AL Amyloidosis (GERAMY)

Program

### 20th–21st November 2015

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Medizinische Klinik 5, Lecture Hall  
Im Neuenheimer Feld 410, 69120 Heidelberg

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## Welcome Address

Dear colleagues and friends,  
GERAMY, the GERman consortium for systemic light chain (AL) AMYloidosis, was founded in 2012 with funding from the Federal Ministry of Education and Research (BMBF) in the framework of its Rare Disease Initiative. The goal was to establish an interdisciplinary, translational collaboration to increase the knowledge of the pathogenesis of AL amyloidosis and enable new developments to improve diagnosis, therapy and prognosis.

After three years of basic and clinical research by the seven partners, the consortium has now finished its first phase of collaboration. A controlled clinical trial was initiated to test the efficacy and safety of epigallo-catechin-gallate (EGCG) in patients with cardiac AL amyloidosis. In parallel, the molecular basis of the disease has been investigated using genetic, biochemical, cell biological and high-resolution biophysical methods to reveal new molecular targets and to refine diagnosis.

This conference of the GERAMY network aims to:

- Strengthen the connection within the active international amyloidosis research community
- Encourage amyloidosis specialists to share their experience in diagnosis and treatment of several amyloidosis types
- Facilitate exchange between basic researchers, pathologists, geneticists and clinicians to enhance our understanding of the pathogenesis and develop new therapeutic strategies in AL amyloidosis.
- Present and discuss the results of three years of research by the GERAMY collaborators

We are looking forward to meeting YOU in Heidelberg.

*Stefan Schönland, Ute Hegenbart, Marcus Fändrich  
and Erich Wanker*

## Program Friday, 20.11.15

- 09:00 Registration, welcome reception with coffee**
- 10:00 Opening**  
*Prof. A. D. Ho, Prof. M. Karck*
- 10:05 General session**  
Chairs: *K. Beyreuther, E. Wanker*
- 10:05 GERAMY, a German interdisciplinary network for AL amyloidosis  
*S. Schönland*
- 10:20 Advances and unmet needs in systemic amyloidosis  
*G. Merlini*
- 10:50 A new approach in systemic amyloidosis: immunotherapeutic removal of amyloid  
*Sir M. Pepys*
- 11:20 Molecular basis of amyloid fibril formation  
*C. Dobson*
- 12:00 Lunch**
- 12:45 Clinical features, genetics and diagnostics in AL amyloidosis**  
Chairs: *A. Jauch, B. Reif*
- 12:45 GERAMY SP 3 - Amyloid Registry Kiel – advancing diagnostics of amyloidoses in surgical pathology  
*C. Röcken*
- 13:05 GERAMY SP 2 - Recurrent copy number aberrations in 100 AL amyloidosis patients  
*M. Granzow*
- 13:20 Mechanisms and toxicity of Light chain misfolding and amyloid formation  
*M. Ramirez-Alvarado*
- 14:00 The five best abstracts**  
Chairs: *G. Merlini, M. Pepys*
- 15:00 Poster session within Coffee break**  
Chairs: *B. Hazenberg, R. Esposito*
- 16:00 Basic science in AL amyloidosis**  
Chairs: *V. Belotti, B. Bukau*
- 16:00 GERAMY SP 2 - Amyloid Light Chain Sequence Detection and Evaluation  
*R. Köhler*

## Program Friday 20.11.15 and Saturday 21.11.15

### Program Friday, 20.11.15

- 16:15 GERAMY SP 4 - Analysis of the fibril structure with electron microscopy  
*M. Fändrich*
- 16:35 GERAMY SP 5 - NMR spectroscopic investigations of amyloid aggregates  
*B. Reif*
- 16:55 Not created equal: effect of point mutations on amyloid formation of VL  
*J. Buchner*
- 17:15 GERAMY SP 6 - EGCG modulated aggregation of patient derived light chain amyloid  
*J. Bieschke*
- 17:35 GERAMY SP 7 - Targeting of pathogenic light chain aggregates from patients with small molecules  
*E. Wanker*
- 17:55 End of last session**
- 19:30 Dinner**  
Restaurant at the NH-Hotel  
Bergheimer Str. 91, 69115 Heidelberg

### Program Saturday, 21.11.15

- 08:30 Registration**
- 09:00 Therapy in systemic amyloidosis**  
Chairs: *M. Saraiva, J. Bieschke*
- 09:00 Mechanisms of TTR amyloidosis misfolding, drug development and treatment  
*J. Kelly*
- 09:30 Results of liver transplantation and current studies on gene therapy in TTR amyloidosis  
*O. Suhr*
- 10:00 Novel Approaches to Patients with AL amyloidosis  
*R. Comenzo*
- 10:30 Current strategies of stem cell transplantation in AL amyloidosis  
*V. Santhorawala*
- 11:00 Coffee**

## Saturday 21.11.15

- 11:30 Biology, clinics and fibril formation in localized and systemic amyloidosis**  
Chairs: *M. Zeier, M. Fändrich*
- 11:30 Localized AL amyloidosis  
*P. Westermark*
- 12:00 Imaging in local and systemic amyloidosis  
*B. Hazenberg*
- 12:20 Nanoparticles and Nanobodies: Interaction with Amyloidogenic Proteins  
*G. Esposito*
- 12:40 IAPP in Alzheimers Disease  
*G. Westermark*
- 13:00 Clinical characteristics of AA amyloidosis in Germany  
*N. Blank*
- 13:15 Lunch**
- 14:00 Biology, clinics and prognosis in AL amyloidosis**  
Chairs: *J. Wall, C. Röcken*
- 14:00 GERAMY SP 1: EGCG treatment in AL amyloidosis  
*U. Hegenbart*
- 14:15 EGCG treatment in ATTR amyloidosis  
*A. Kristen*
- 14:30 Echocardiography in AL and ATTR amyloidosis  
*D. Mereles*
- 14:45 MRI of peripheral nerves in AL and ATTR amyloidosis  
*J. Kollmer*
- 15:00 Immuno-Phenotype of the plasma cell clone in AL amyloidosis  
*K. Lisenko*
- 15:15 Results of iFISH in AL amyloidosis  
*T. Bochtler*
- 15:30 Plasma cell genetics in multiple myeloma and AL amyloidosis  
*D. Hose*
- 15:45 Results of GWAS in multiple myeloma and AL amyloidosis  
*S. Huhn*
- 16:00 Conclusion  
End of the Congress / Coffee**