

European Society for Clinical Virology (ESCV)

Workshop on Nosocomial Viral Infections, 3rd to 5th April 2019, Freiburg, Germany



Dear ESCV members,

We cordially invite you to attend a workshop on nosocomial viral infections to be held in Freiburg, Germany, 3rd April to 5th April.

The workshop is organised by ESCV and aims to give an update on different aspects of nosocomial infections. It will provide an overview of novel diagnostic tools including NGS and syndromic testing approaches. The workshop will cover well-known nosocomial pathogens (norovirus and influenza virus) and less well-known ones (MERS-CoV, viral haemorrhagic fever viruses). It will also address the challenges, which are associated with the current upsurge of measles cases in many European countries. The workshop will combine lectures by experts in the field and discussions about interesting aspects of nosocomial infections as well as lessons learned which will be presented by the participants. Due to the workshop format, there will be enough room for discussions with well-known experts and exchange of ideas with other European clinical virologists. The workshop is truly interdisciplinary and brings together the fields of clinical medicine, medical virology, epidemiology, and public health.

The provisional programme can be found through the links below.

Provisional programme ([Link](#))

The workshop is funded by the ESCV to further the aims of the Society, which include education and improvement of our knowledge on viral diseases for the promotion of public health. There is no registration fee for ESCV members and, as a member, you can apply for a bursary to cover (part of) your meeting attendance expenses using the application form. A total of 35 grants will be available from the ESCV and will provide up to €500 for travel and accommodation. If you are not a member yet, please visit our new website and join the ESCV; the annual fee is €40.

To apply and register to the meeting, please complete the application using the link below:

https://ec.europa.eu/eusurvey/runner/ESCV_Workshop_Freiburg_April_2019

Application must be completed by 28 February 2019. Successful applicants for a bursary will be informed by 8 March 2019. Please address any queries to: secretariat.escv@kenes.com

Sent on behalf of the local organizing committee,
Valeria Falcone, Daniela Huzly and Marcus Panning

Provisional programme



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Day 1 (Wednesday, 3 April)

17:15 – 18:00 Perspective on nosocomial infections and outbreak investigations, **H. Vennema**, Rotterdam, Netherlands

18:00 – 19:00 Get together

Day 2 (Thursday, 4 April)

9:00 – 9:15: Coffee

9:15 – 9:30: Introduction + welcome by ESCV executive

Laboratory methods

9:30 – 10:00: The role of NGS in infection prevention, **S. Reuter**, Freiburg, Germany

10:00 – 10:30: Syndromic testing approaches, **K. Templeton**, Edinburgh, UK

10:30 – 11:00 Coffee break

Transplantation/transfusion of viral infections

11:00 – 11:30: Hepatitis E virus in the transfusion setting, **H.L. Zaaijer**, Amsterdam, Netherlands

11:30 – 12:00: Borna disease virus 1 in solid-organ transplant recipients, **C. Pietsch**, Leipzig, Germany

12:00 – 13:00: Lunch

What else is out there?

13:00 – 13:30: Adenovirus transmissions, **A. Heim**, Hannover, Germany

13:30 – 14:00: Measles outbreak in Italy, **F. Baldanti**, Pavia, Italy

14:00 – 14:30: Herpes viruses: changing epidemiology and pregnancy, **D. Huzly**, Freiburg, Germany

14:30 – 15:00: Coffee break

15:00 – 16:00: Participants cases (four to five cases of 10 min)

16:00 – 16:15 Summary/End of Day 1

18:00 – 19:15 Guided Tour "City, Gates and Storytellers"

19:30 – 22:00 Dinner "Greiffenegg-Schlössle"

Day 3 (Friday, 5 April)

Gastrointestinal infections:

9:00 – 9:30: Gastro surveillance, tba

9:30 – 10:00: Norovirus outbreak within hospitals, **F. Allerberger**, Vienna, Austria

10:00 – 10:30: Rotavirus outbreak in a university hospital, **S. Niendorf**, Berlin, Germany

10:30 – 11:00: Coffee break

Exotic/emerging viruses

11:00 – 11:30: Imported viral haemorrhagic fever cases, **T. Wolf**, Frankfurt, Germany

11:30 – 12:00: MERS surveillance, tba

12:00 – 13:00: Lunch

Influenza

13:00 – 13:30: Epidemiology and diagnostics of influenza virus infections, **B. Lina**, Lyon, France

13:30 – 14:00: Dynamics of influenza virus transmissions, **A. Egli**, Basel, Switzerland

14:00 - 14:30: Final discussion and farewell

Venue: Institute of Virology, Hermann-Herder-Str. 11, 79104 Freiburg, Germany



Accommodation will have to be organised on an individual basis. Please consider to contact Freiburg tourist information (<https://visit.freiburg.de/en>).

The closest airport is EuroAirport Bale-Mulhouse-Freiburg (<https://www.euroairport.com/en/>), and there is a frequent bus/train service to Freiburg. Alternatively, you can travel via Frankfurt International airport (<https://www.frankfurt-airport.com/en.html>). There is a long-distance railway connection every hour to Freiburg (www.bahn.com). The journey takes two hours.