

4<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting

# ERIA

## European Research Initiative on ALK-related Malignancies

**June 27 – 28,  
2013**

NCT-Building  
Im Neuenheimer Feld 460  
69120 Heidelberg  
Conference Room  
K2/K3, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor



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The European Research Initiative on ALK-related malignancies (ERIA) was conceived at the American Association for Cancer Research 100th Annual Meeting in Denver, CO, USA back in 2009 by Suzanne Turner, Olaf Merkel and Lukas Kenner. Our aim is to strengthen cooperation and partnership of European research groups focused on ALK-related malignancies in order to accelerate scientific progress. With this aim in mind we anticipate that more efficacious and less toxic therapeutic strategies will be developed.

The meeting will be held at the National Center of Tumor Diseases (NCT) in Heidelberg. NCT is a joint project of the German Cancer Research Center (DKFZ), Heidelberg University Hospital jointly with the Medical Faculty of Heidelberg University and German Cancer Aid (Deutsche Krebshilfe). It is a modern oncology center modeled after Comprehensive Cancer Centers in the U.S.A. and Scandinavia. NCT's key asset is its comprehensive interdisciplinary approach, which takes account of all aspects that are relevant in the fight against cancer.

Thursday, 27<sup>th</sup> June

14:45 Arrival and coffee

15:00 Introductory remarks

*Session 1:*

*Chair: Giorgio Inghirami, Suzanne Turner*

15:05 **Anaplastic large cell lymphoma-past and future**  
*Giorgio Inghirami, Torino, Italy*

15:35 **Using switchable mouse genetics to find the best targets for treating cancer**  
*Gerard Evan, Cambridge, UK*

16:05 **Autologous, Allogenic or no stem cell transplantation: Results of the European ALCL-Relapse Study**  
*Wilhelm Wössmann, Giessen, Germany*

16:35 Coffee

*Session 2:*

*Chair: Stefan Fröhling, Olaf Merkel*

16:45 **T-cell biogenesis and T-cell lymphomas**  
*Hans-Reimer Rodewald, Heidelberg, Germany*

17:15 **The ALK kinase in neuroblastoma**  
*Ruth Palmer, Umea, Sweden*

17:45 **ALK mutations and mechanisms of transformation in neuroblastoma**  
*Tom Look, Boston, USA*

Friday, 28<sup>th</sup> June**Session 3: Therapeutic Strategies for ALCL***Chair: Mathias Witzens-Harig, Sylvie Giuriato*

- 9:00 **Update on the Crizotinib trial in ALCL**  
*Carlo Gambacorti-Passerini, Milano-Bicocca, Italy*
- 9:20 **Early Assessment of Minimal Residual Disease by Qualitative PCR for NPM-ALK Identifies Patients at Very High Risk of Relapse in Anaplastic Large Cell Lymphoma**  
*Christine Damm-Welk, Giessen, Germany*
- 9:40 **Autophagy: new therapeutic target in ALK lymphoma?**  
*Sylvie Giuriato, Toulouse, France*
- 10:00 **Detection of anti-NPM-ALK T cells in children with NPM-ALK-positive anaplastic large cell lymphoma**  
*S. Werner, V. Singh, Giessen, Germany*
- 10:20 **ALK as a target for immunotherapy**  
*Roberto Chiarle, Boston, USA*
- 10:40 Coffee

**Session 4: Aberrant T-cell signaling***Chair: Lukas Kenner Thorsten Zenz*

- 11:00 **Role of miR-155 in T-cell lymphomas**  
*Olaf Merkel, Heidelberg Germany*
- 11:20 **Activation of proto-oncogenes in human malignancies**  
*Stephan Mathas, Berlin, Germany*
- 11:40 **Interplay between p53 and ALK-kinase**  
*George Rassidakis, Athens, Greece*
- 12:00 **The biological role of the tyrosine phosphorylation of the RNA-binding HuR in ALK-dependant tumors**  
*Estelle Espinos, Toulouse, France*
- 12:20 Buffet Lunch

**Session 5: Lymphomagenesis***Chair: Olaf Merkel, Estelle Espinos*

- 14:00 **A new transgenic mouse model for T cell lymphoma / leukemia in the CD8 T cell lineage**  
*Richard Moriggl, Vienna, Austria*
- 14:20 **Modelling the development of T-cell lymphoma**  
*Suzanne Turner, Cambridge, England*
- 14:40 Coffee and Discussion

# Contact

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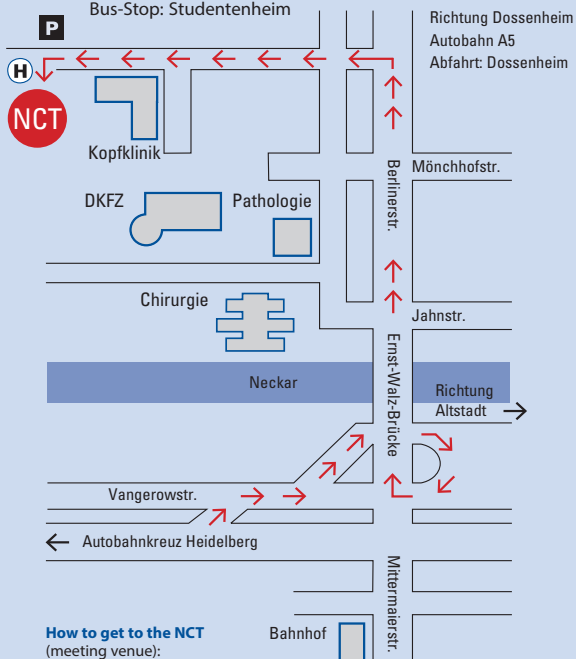
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