



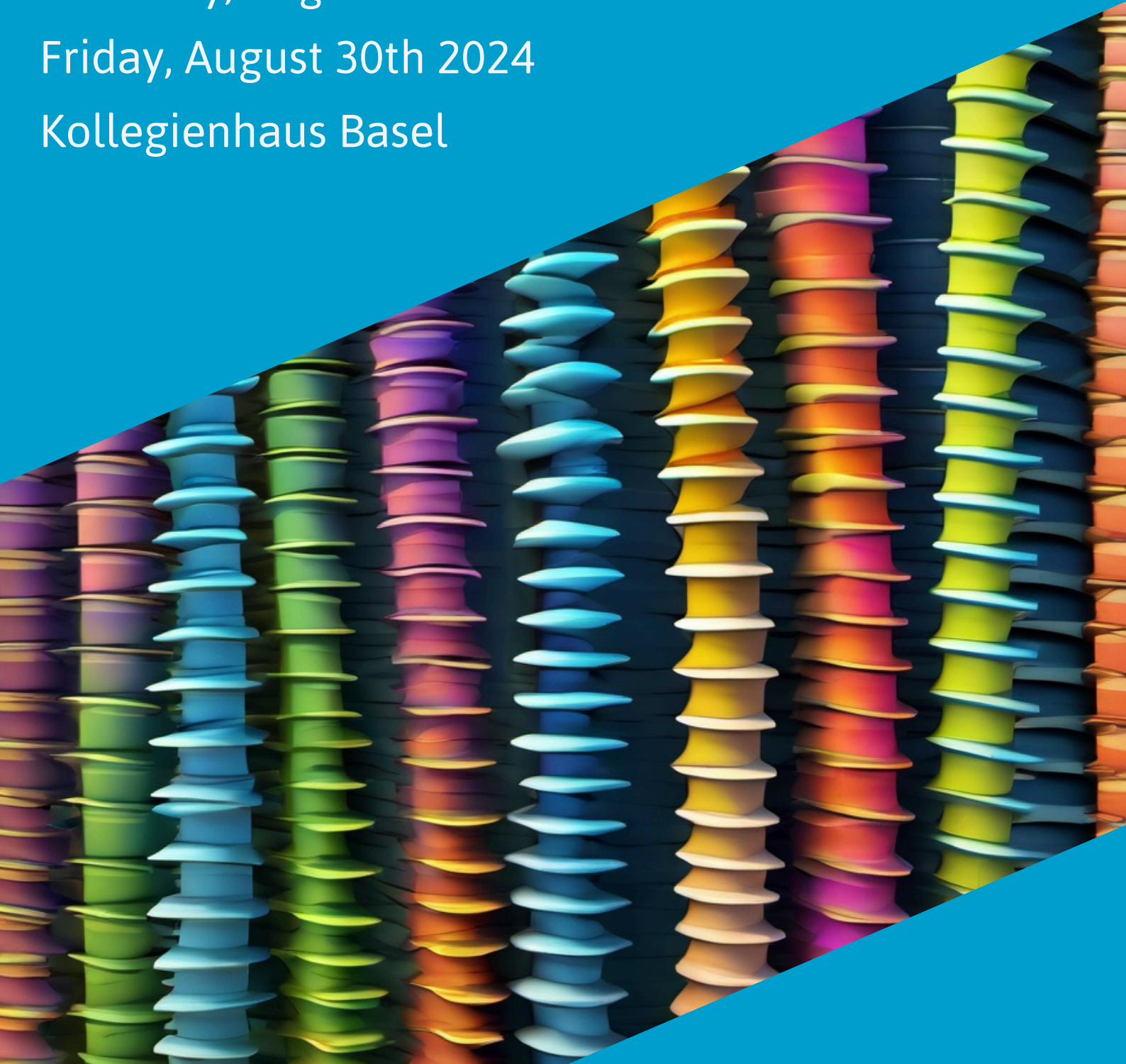
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# 24th Annual Meeting

Thursday, August 29th 2024

Friday, August 30th 2024

Kollegienhaus Basel





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## WELCOME TO THE 24TH ANNUAL MEETING

**Dear Colleagues, dear Friends,**

The SGS is pleased to welcome you to Basel. The 24th Annual Meeting will take place at the Kollegienhaus, a building steeped in history of the oldest University in Switzerland.

### “Proven & New”

We are proud to announce this year a new two-day format of the SGS Annual Meeting.

As the SGS serves as the connective tissue among the various spine surgery specialties, playing a pivotal role in shaping guidelines in cooperation with the European and Global Spine Societies we translate this mission into our two-day program.

You are happily invited to take part in our debates and strengthen our community by participating in either one or even better on both days.

On behalf of the SGS board I am looking forward to seeing you in Basel.

**PD Dr. med. Cordula Netzer MBA, SGS President**



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WHEN	WHAT	FOR WHOM
THURSDAY, AUGUST 29TH 2024	<p><b>“Learning from each other”</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Lumbar Spinal Injections</li> <li>Adding value to spine care</li> <li>Comprehensive spine care concepts made in Switzerland</li> <li>SCS Spinal Cord Stimulation</li> <li>Workshops</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Spine Surgeons</li> <li>Orthopedic Surgeons</li> <li>Neurosurgeons</li> <li>Anesthesiologists</li> <li>Pain Physicians</li> <li>Interventional Radiologists</li> <li>Rheumatologists</li> <li>Physical Medicine</li> </ul>
FRIDAY, AUGUST 30TH 2024	<p><b>“Value-based Spine Care”</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Translating Guidelines into clinical practice</li> <li>AO Spine Joint Session</li> <li>Trauma in Aging Spine</li> <li>Innovation in Spine Care : Vision 2030</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Spine Surgeons</li> <li>Orthopedic Surgeons</li> <li>Neurosurgeons</li> </ul>



Endorsed by the **SSIPM**  
 Swiss Society  
 for Interventional Pain Management



## PROGRAM

THURSDAY, AUGUST 29TH 2024

### SSIPM meets SGS: Learning from each other

**09.00 - 09.30 Registration & Welcome Coffee**

**09.30 - 09.40 Welcome**

Cordula Netzer & Friedrich Bremerich

**09.40 - 11.40 Lumbar Spinal Injections**

Chairs: F. Bremerich & R. Binggeli

09.40 - 10.05 State of the art: Diagnostic versus therapeutic role of spinal injections in the overall spine care concept

Dr. Thomas Mietzsch

10.05 - 10.30 Legal aspects: Informed consent and requirements of infrastructure - Risk & Complication management

Dr. Thomas Mietzsch

10.30 - 10.55 Fluoroscopy versus ultrasound guided interventions - Benefits and limitations

PD Dr. med. Andreas Siegenthaler

10.55 - 11.30 A technical overview on the lumbar region: Medial branch blocks & facet joint injections & radio frequency ablation (RFA) & Epidural steroid injections (ESI) & Selective nerve root blocs (SNRB)

PD Dr. med. Andreas Siegenthaler

11.30 - 11.40 Reimbursement Coding

Dr. med. Bijan Cheikh Sarraf

**11.40 - 12.40 Lunch Break & Exhibition**

**12.40 - 14.40 Adding value to spine care**

Chairs: S. Schären & M. Stienen

Comprehensive spine care concepts made in Switzerland

12.40 - 13.25 Mission and Vision of Spine Surgery in Switzerland  
10 years anniversary of Spine Surgery in Basel

Prof. Dr. Stefan Schären

Mission and Vision of Spine Centers in Switzerland:  
The St. Gallen approach

PD Dr. Martin Stienen

13.25 - 13.50 The role of pain specialists

Prof. Dr. med. Konrad Streitberger

13.50 - 14.15 The role of physiotherapy

Prof. Dr. Hannu Luomajoki

14.15 - 14.40 The role of psychosomatics

Prof. Dr. med. Rainer Schäfert

**14.40 - 15.10 Coffee break & Exhibition**

**15.10 - 16.30 SCS Spinal Cord Stimulation**

Chairs: B. Cheikh Sarraf & T. Mietzsch

15.10 - 15.35 Patient selection  
& Clinical outcomes

Dr. med. Ralph Binggeli

Dr. med. univ. Raluca Reitmeir

15.35 - 16.10 About the therapy and SGS products

Dr. med. Ralph Binggeli

16.10 - 16.20 Reimbursement Coding

Dr. med. Bijan Cheikh Sarraf

**16.20 - 16.30 Closing remarks**

Cordula Netzer & Friedrich Bremerich

**16.30 - 17.30 Workshops (on registration only)**

Hands on Endoscopy



## PROGRAM

FRIDAY, AUGUST 30TH 2024

### SGS Annual Meeting: Value-based spine care

08.00 - 08.30	<b>Registration &amp; Welcome Coffee</b>	
08.30 - 08.35	<b>Welcome</b>	PD Dr. med. Cordula Netzer MBA
08.35 - 09.50	<b>Translating Guidelines into clinical practice</b>	Chairs: G. Osterhoff & F. Külling
08.35 - 09.00	The Ethical Imperative of Adhering to Guidelines in Surgical Decision-Making	Dr. Georgios Matis
09.00 - 09.25	The role and need for networks and platforms in spinal care In general	PD Dr. med. Emin Aghayev
	Within Switzerland	PD Dr. med. Cordula Netzer MBA
09.25 - 09.50	Pearls of the S2 Guidelines for Spinal Metastases	Prof. Dr. med. Georg Osterhoff
09.50 - 11.00	<b>AO Spine Joint Session - Trauma in Aging Spine</b> Multidisciplinary approach as lever arm for improved outcome in aging spine trauma	Chairs: S. Schären & K. Schnake
09.50 - 10.10	Preoperative risk stratification in elderly patients	PD Dr. med. Klaus Schnake
10.10 - 10.30	State of the art: Medical measures for patients with osteoporotic fractures	Dr. med. Sigrid Jehle-Kunz
10.30 - 10.35	Case Presentation	Dr. med. Cristina Goga
10.35 - 11.00	Critical review of the added value of newer surgical techniques From Vertebroplasty via VB Stenting to Percutaneous Instrumentation	Prof. Christoph Albers
11.00 - 11.30	<b>Coffee Break &amp; Exhibition</b>	
11.30 - 12.30	<b>Free Communications I</b>	Chairs: D. Bellut & E. Tessitore
12.30 - 13.30	<b>SGS General Assembly / Poster Session - Fire</b>	
13.30 - 14.30	<b>Lunch Break &amp; Industry/Poster Exhibition</b>	
14.30 - 15.15	<b>Free Communications II</b>	Chairs: O. Gautschi & A. Alfieri
15.15 - 15.45	<b>Coffee Break &amp; Exhibition</b>	
15.45 - 16.45	<b>Innovation in Spine Care : Vision 2030</b> AI/ VR/ Robotics	Chairs: M. Loibl & D. Rothenfluh
15.45 - 16.05	Machine learning in spine care & surgical decision making	Dr. Fabio Galbusera
16.05 - 16.25	How VR will impact Spine Care in the future	Prof. Philippe Führnstahl
16.25 - 16.45	Robotic Assisted Spine Surgery Cost-benefit considerations a critical reflection	PD Dr. med. Klaus Schnake
16.45 - 16.50	<b>Scientific Awards</b>	E. Tessitore & D. Bellut
16.50 - 17.00	<b>Closing Remarks &amp; Farewell</b>	PD Dr. med. Cordula Netzer MBA





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## NETWORKING PROGRAM

### “Wine, Dine & Spine on the Rhine” Thursday 29th of August 2024

Don't miss our unique network evening on the 29th of August.

Be with us on board of “MS Christian Merian”. The SGS promises you a colorful evening on the Rhine. Enjoy dinner in a relaxed atmosphere and take the opportunity to extend your professional network and to share the knowledge and enthusiasm.

- 18.30**    **Boarding & Apéro**
- 19.30**    **Start City Cruise**
- 21.00**    **Stopovers on demand | Pickup latecomers/drop off evaders**
- 22.00**    **Return to starting point**
- 23.00**    **End of the event | Leaving the boat**



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## GENERAL INFORMATION

### DATE & VENUE

Thursday, August 29th 2024  
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 Kollegienhaus Basel  
 Petersgraben 50, CH-4051 Basel

### WEBSITE

[www.spinesociety.ch/24-sgs-annual-meeting/](http://www.spinesociety.ch/24-sgs-annual-meeting/)

### CREDITS

Swiss Society of Neurosurgery, SGNC: 8 credits per day  
 Swiss Orthopedics, SO: 8 credits per day  
 Swiss Society for Interventional Pain Management, SSIPM:  
 6 credits on the 29th of August

### CONFIRMATION OF PARTICIPATION

Confirmation of participation will be available on your online account after the meeting.

### REGISTRATION AND FEES\*

	2-DAYS	2-DAYS on-site	1-DAY
SGS/SSIPM Members	CHF 350	CHF 400	CHF 200
Non-members	CHF 450	CHF 500	CHF 250
Trainees and students	CHF 250	CHF 300	CHF 150

\*Prices in CHF and subject to modifications

### CANCELLATION POLICY

Deregistration and cancellations up to 21 days before the start of the congress are possible for a fee of CHF 50. Cancellations made 20 days or more before the start of the congress will be charged the full amount. Cancellation must be received in writing by post or by e-mail. These conditions apply in the event of non-attendance and all reasons for absence, including illness and accident. The date of receipt is decisive. The registration of a substitute participant is possible at any time.

### SGS PRESIDENT

PD Dr. med. Cordula Netzer MBA

### SCIENTIFIC COMMITTEE

#### 29.08.2024

PD Dr. med. Cordula Netzer MBA  
 Dr. med. Friedrich Bremerich

#### 30.08.2024

Prof. Dr. med. Enrico Tessitore  
 PD Dr. med. David Bellut  
 PD Dr. med. Fabrice A. Külling  
 Prof. Dr. med. Alex Alfieri  
 Prof. Dr. med. Oliver P. Gautschi

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Meister ConCept GmbH  
 Bahnhofstrasse 55  
 CH-5001 Aarau

### ACCOMODATION

Our recommendations:

[Hotel Märthof](#)  
 Marktgasse 14  
 4001 Basel

[Hotel D](#)  
 Blumenrain 19  
 4051 Basel

The organization holds a small quota of rooms in each of these hotels. Reservations are made directly when you register online for the congress.

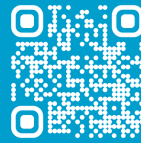


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