

# LOCATION

**Venue:** *USZ University Hospital Zurich, Grosser Hörsaal NORD D304 / Foyer NORD1 C + D*  
*Walk along Schmelzbergstrasse and Frauenklinikstrasse to the NORTH 1 entrance.*



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# SLIDE SEMINAR SSPATH/SSMP/IAP AND EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF SSPATH

Saturday, May 9, 2026

From Pathways to Morphology:  
Molecular Foundations of  
Genetic Tumor Syndromes

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# INFORMATION

**Deadline for submission of diagnoses until:**

**Wednesday May, 6 | 17:00 |  
Pathogate platform**

**Participation:**

5 Credits

**Submission of diagnoses:**

3 Credits

**Registration:**

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**Price:**

Member SSPath

free of charge

Member SSMP

free of charge

SSPath/SSMP non-members

CHF 180

Residents, Students, Technicians (non-members)

CHF 110

Registration on-site is also possible.

The certificate of participation is sent by email after the event.

# ORGANISATION & SPEAKERS

**Head of Organisation:**

Thomas McKee: President of the Swiss Society of Molecular Pathology

Heather Dawson: Swiss Division President IAP

**Speakers:**

Matthias Matter

Bettina Bisig

Claudio de Vito

Gürkan Kaya

Beata Bode

Heather Dawson

Thomas McKee

Bernard Conrad

Jan Rüschhoff

Jean-Luc Barras

In times of precision medicine, the pathologist serves as an important gatekeeper for genetic testing. As our understanding of the germline-somatic interface deepens, the traditional „organ-based“ approach to tumor predisposition is increasingly being replaced by a pathway-driven perspective.

This seminar invites you to explore genetic tumor syndromes through the lens of molecular mechanisms. Rather than focusing solely on organ systems, we will examine the disrupted cellular processes - from epigenetic remodeling and ubiquitination to oxidative stress and DNA repair – and how these molecular aberrations can translate to a particular phenotype and morphologic findings.

A highlight of this year's program is our debate session on the interpretation of the Federal Act on Human Genetic Testing and what this means for pathology. Moving beyond standard presentations, this segment features contrasting viewpoints from experts of the Swiss Society of Molecular Pathology, followed by an open floor debate. Join us for an interactive session focused on integrating molecular pathways and legal frameworks into modern diagnostic practice.

## PROGRAM

08:30 – 09:00

**Registration**

09:00 – 10:30

**Extraordinary General Assembly**

10:30 – 11:00

**Coffee break**

11:00 – 11:05

**Introduction**

Thomas McKee, Geneva and Heather Dawson, Bern

11:05 – 11:30

**Classification of Tumor Predisposition Syndromes** - Thomas McKee, Geneva

11:30 – 12:15

**Two case presentations** - Kristof Egervari, Matthias Matter

12:15 – 13:15

**Lunch break**

13:15 – 13:45

**Polygenic Risk Scores – Translation into Clinical Management**

Bernhard Conrad, Geneva/Lausanne

13:45 – 14:45

**Three case presentations** - Claudio de Vito, Gürkan Kaya , Beata Bode

14:45 – 15:15

**Coffee break**

15:15 – 15:45

**Debate: GUMG and what this means for the practicing pathologist**

Jean-Luc Barras, Sion and Jan Rüschhoff, Zürich

15:45 – 16:30

**Two case presentations** - Bettina Bisig, Heather Dawson

16:30

**Discussion and closing words**

Thomas McKee, Geneva and Heather Dawson, Bern