

*You***RMaP**

**Retreat**

**2025**

**Rastatt**

**17.09. – 19.09.**

**PROGRAM**

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## Wednesday

|       |                                                 |
|-------|-------------------------------------------------|
| 08:45 | Departure Mainz                                 |
| 10:15 | Departure Heidelberg                            |
| 12:00 | Lunch                                           |
| 13:45 | Check-in rooms                                  |
| 13:45 | Welcome                                         |
| 14:00 | PhD/Postdoc Talks<br>(Jonas, Marlies, Benedikt) |
| 15:00 | Coffee break                                    |
| 15:30 | Poster Session 01                               |
| 18:00 | Dinner                                          |
| 19:30 | “ Pub“ Quiz!                                    |

### Poster Session 1

- 1 - Leona B..
- 2- Alexander W.
- 3 - Martina K.
- 4 - Anna R.
- 5 - Peter H-K
- 6 - Alexander H.
- 7- Valerie K.

### Poster Session 2

- 8- Hannah M.
- 9- Vanessa K.
- 10 –Paulina S.
- 11 - Tristan D.
- 132- Lioba L.
- 13 - Mark S.
- 14 - Johannes M.
- 14 - Johannes F.

## Thursday

|       |                                             |
|-------|---------------------------------------------|
| 08:30 | Talk Hannah Burgess                         |
| 09:30 | PhD/Postdoc Talks<br>(Sarah, Stefan, Kevin) |
| 10:30 | Coffee break                                |
| 11:00 | PhD /Postdoc Talks<br>(Annabelle, Ariane)   |
| 12:00 | Lunch                                       |
| 13:00 | Poster Session 02                           |
| 15:00 | Coffee break                                |
| 15:30 | Teambuilding Event                          |
| 18:00 | Dinner                                      |

## Friday

|       |                         |
|-------|-------------------------|
| 09:00 | Talk Sylvain Delaunay   |
| 10:00 | Organisational & Awards |
| 10:30 | Coffee break            |
| 11:00 | Soft-Skill Course       |
| 13:00 | Lunch                   |
| 14:00 | Soft-Skill Course       |
| 15:00 | Coffee break            |
| 15:30 | Soft-Skill Course       |
| 17:00 | Departure               |

### Vote for:

- Best talk
- Best poster
- Next student-council

### Breakfast:

06:30 – 09:30

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**08:45**                      **Departure Mainz**

**10:15**                      **Departure Heidelberg**

**12:00 – 13:00**       **Lunch**

**13:00 – 13:45**       **Check-in rooms**

**13:45 – 14:00**       **Welcome**

**14:00 – 15:00**       **PhD/Postdoc Talks**

*14:00 – 14:20            Jonas Hartmann*

*14:20 – 14:40            Marlies Weber*

*14:40 – 15:00            Benedikt Schober*

**15:00 – 15:30**       **Coffee break**

**15:30 – 17:30**       **Poster Session 1**

**15 minutes  
per poster**

*Leona Brandl, Alexander Wirth,  
Martina Krämer, Anna Righetti,  
Peter Hoch-Kraft, Alexander Haehnel,  
Valerie Kadenbach*

**18:00 – 19:00**       **Dinner**

**19:30**                      **Quiz Night**

# Thursday

**06:30 – 08:30 Breakfast**

**08:30 – 09:30 Talk Dr. Hannah Burgess**

**09:30 – 10:30 PhD/Postdoc Talks**

*09:30 – 09:50 Sarah Pawusch*

*09:50 – 10:10 Stefan Pastore*

*10:10 – 10:30 Kevin Kopietz*

**10:30 – 11:00 Coffee break**

**11:00 – 12:00 PhD/Postdoc Talks**

*11:00 – 11:20 Annabelle Weldert*

*11:20 – 11:40 Ariane Hübner*

**12:00 – 13:00 Lunch**

**13:00 – 15:00 Poster Session 2**

**15 minutes  
per poster**

*Hannah Müller, Vanessa Krause*

*Paulina Schad, Tristan Dewald*

*Lioba Lehmann, Mark Sabin,*

*Johannes Miedma, Johannes Friedrich,*

**15:00 – 15:30 Coffee break**

**15:30 – 18:00 Teambuilding Event**

**18:00 – 19:00 Dinner**

# Friday

**06:30 – 09:00    Breakfast**

**09:00 – 10:00    Talk Dr. Sylvain Delaunay**

**10:00 – 10:30    Organisational/Awards**

- *Vote/Award for best talk*
- *Vote/Award for best poster*
- *Election of new student council*

**10:30 – 11:00    Coffee break**

**11:00 – 13:00    Soft-Skill Course**

**13:00 – 14:00    Lunch**

**14:00 – 15:00    Soft-Skill Course**

**15:00 – 15:30    Coffee break**

**15:30 – 16:30    Soft-Skill Course**

**17:00            Departure**

**~ 18:00            Arrival Heidelberg**

**~ 19:15            Arrival Mainz**



## **Invited speaker:**

### **Dr. Hannah Burgess**

Based at the Faculty of Natural Sciences at Imperial College London (UK), Dr. Hannah Burgess and her team investigate RNA regulation in virus-host interactions. Her research covers nearly all aspects of RNA biology, including how viral RNA is made, modified, efficiently translated, sensed by antiviral defenses, and ultimately degraded.

Current projects in the lab are centered around the importance of deadenylation and poly(A)-tail length in Human Cytomegalovirus infection, m6A RNA modification in coronavirus infections and double-stranded RNA responses in HSV-1 infection.

Before becoming an associate professor at Imperial College London, Dr. Burgess was a lecturer/assistant professor at the University of Surry (UK) and trained in the labs of Dr Ian Mohr (NYU School of Medicine, USA) and Dr Nicola Gray (MRC Human Genetics Unit, UK).

For more information visit:

<https://profiles.imperial.ac.uk/h.burgess1>



## **Invited speaker: Dr. Sylvain Delaunay**

Dr. Sylvain Delaunay completed his BSc and MSc in Pharmacy at the University of Liège, where he also performed his PhD under Professor Pierre Close, working on tRNA modifications in breast cancer metastasis and drug resistance in melanoma.

In his postdoc with Michaela Frye, first in Cambridge and later at the German Cancer Research Center, Sylvain identified a role for mitochondrial tRNA modifications in the synthesis of mitochondrial proteins, allowing cells to gain motility and disseminate from the primary tumor.

In 2025, he joined the Cancer Research UK Manchester Institute as a Junior Group Leader. His group will focus on characterizing the mechanisms by which diet influences the dynamics of RNA to drive cell state transitions within tumors.

For more information visit:

<https://www.cruk.manchester.ac.uk/team-member/sylvain-delaunay/>



## **Teambuilding & Soft-Skill Course: Dr. Ben Hartwig**

Dr. Ben Hartwig is the founder of Neuroblitz, a company that is focused on learning and development. He performed his PhD in epigenetics at the Max Planck Institute, while at the same time performing in theater and comedy.

During his PhD, Ben noticed that many scientists struggle to explain their research to the public and even to the scientific community. To tackle this, he started combining science with art and began teaching soft-skill courses to scientists and later also to people in the corporate world.

His courses mix insights from psychology and neuroscience with practical techniques inspired by theater. The topics range from resilience and stress management to communication, time management, and leadership.

For more information visit:

<https://www.neuroblitz.de/en/home/>