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Invitation

Dear Colleagues and Friends,

We are very pleased to welcome you to the Austrian Society of Pathology Autumn Meeting, which will take place from September 24th–26th, 2026, in the historic Tabakfabrik in Linz. This remarkable building, designed by Peter Behrens and completed in 1935, is a beautiful example of the Austrian "Neue Sachlichkeit" style. Once a lively industrial complex until 2009, it will now once again be filled with energy – this time through scientific exchange in pathology.

The scientific program reflects both the uniqueness of the venue and the dynamic development of our field. The main focus lies on lung pathology and head and neck pathology – two areas that are closely interconnected and often challenging to separate in everyday diagnostic practice. For this reason, we have chosen a joint thematic approach, allowing for a more integrated and comprehensive discussion of tumors and non-neoplastic lesions.

In addition, selected contributions in infectious pathology will address current and emerging diagnostic challenges. A special highlight will be an "out-of-topic" lecture on the challenges and possibilities of Artificial Intelligence.

For the first time, we will also introduce a new format-Pro & Contra session- on Saturday afternoon, encouraging younger colleagues to express different perspectives on relevant topics.

We are delighted to welcome distinguished international speakers, and we hope that the program will be both inspiring and practically relevant, fostering exchange among colleagues and friends.

We are sure that this meeting will be interesting and fruitful, and we wish you an enjoyable stay in the beautiful city of Linz.

Best wishes,



Univ.-Prof. Dr. Eva Compérat
President OEGPath/IAP Austria



Univ.-Prof. Dr. Rupert Langer



Priv.-Doz. DDr. Luka Brcic
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Tabakfabrik, Linz
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General Information

Information for Speakers

Speakers are requested to submit their presentations at latest 2 hours before their lectures on an USB-Stick as MS Powerpoint.

DFP-Credits



This event has been accredited for the advanced diploma education program (Diplom-Fortbildungs-Programm DFP) of the Austrian Medical Chamber. 13 points will be granted for the full event (4 points for Thursday, 7 points for Friday, 2 points for Saturday)

CPD-Credits



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Registration

<https://registration.maw.co.at/pathoherbst26>

Registration Fees

		Regular Fee until July 31 st	Regular Fee after July 31 st	
Full conference	Member*	Regular Fee	300,- €	400,- €
		Doctors on Parental Leave or in training**, Biomedical Scientist	120,- €	150,- €
	Non-Member	Regular Fee	450,- €	550,- €
		Doctors on Parental Leave or in training**, Biomedical Scientist	200,- €	250,- €
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		Regular Fee until July 31 st	Regular Fee after July 31 st
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Notice of cancellation must be made in writing by e-mail to office@oegpath.at.

For written cancellations up to 2 weeks prior to the congress date 100% of the registration fee will be refunded. After this deadline, no refunds can be granted.

Certificate of Attendance

You will receive the Certificate of Attendance after the congress via e-mail. The certificates/credits are granted per day. **Therefore please make sure to check-in at the registration desk once a day.**

Registration Desk Opening Hours

Thursday, September 24th 13:00 – 18:00

Friday, September 25th 08:00 – 18:00

Saturday, September 26th 08:00 – 13:15

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WLAN: Tabakfabrik Events

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Photos

Please note that photos for documentary reasons will be made during the congress.

Society Dinner

Friday, September 25th 2026 19:30 at QUBE
(Ars-Electronica-Straße 1, 4040 Linz)

17th Patho-Run

Saturday, September 26th 2026, 8:00 am
Distance: approx. 5 km

Call for Abstracts:

<https://abstracts.medwhizz.com/e/oegpath-2026>

Submission Deadline: July 3rd 2026

Submitted abstracts will be reviewed by the committee. The submitters will be informed about the acceptance by email.

Scientific Program

Thursday, September 24th

from 13:00 Registration

14:00 – 15:45 Thematic Session Lung Pathology I

Chairs: Eva Compérat, Vienna

Rupert Langer, Linz

14:00 – 14:15 15 minutes Welcome

14:15 – 14:45 New Predictive Biomarkers in NSCLC

Dagmar Krenbek, Vienna

14:45 – 15:15 The Microbioma in Neoplastic and Non-neoplastic Lung Diseases

Gregor Gorkiewicz, Graz

15:15 – 15:45 Emerging Molecular Techniques

Leonhard Müllauer, Vienna

15:45 – 16:30 Break

16:30 – 18:00 Thematic Session Head and Neck Pathology I

Chairs: Lax Sigurd, Graz

Eva Compérat, Vienna

16:30 – 17:00 Application of Methylome Analysis in Head and Neck Pathology

Theo Kraus, Salzburg

17:00 – 17:30 Molecular testing in salivary gland tumors: significance in differential diagnosis and taxonomy

Alena Skalova, Pilsen (CZ)

17:30 – 18:00 Challenges in Sinunasal Pathology

Dave Bandke, Linz

from 18:00 Get together

Scientific Program

Friday, September 25th

from 08:00 Registration

08:30 – 08:35 Welcome

08:35 – 09:45 Thematic Session Lung Pathology II

Chairs: Stephan Ihrler, Munich (DE)

Karl Sotlar, Salzburg

08:35 – 09:00 Interstitial Lung Diseases – Clinical Update

David Lang, Linz

09:00 – 09:25 Interstitial Lung Diseases – Radiology Update

Helmut Prosch, Vienna

09:25 – 09:45 Interstitial Lung Diseases – Pathology Update

Felicitas Oberndorfer, Vienna

09:45 – 10:15 Keynote Lecture: Artificial Intelligence in Life Science

Günter Klambauer, Linz

10:15 – 11:00 Break

11:00 – 11:30 Industry Symposia I

**Diagnostics in Transition:
Digital Pathology, Novel Approaches
and Innovative Biomarkers**

Chair: Gregor Gorkiewicz, Graz

Quantitative Continuous Scoring:
Practical Experience from Pathology
Philipp Anders, Hamburg (DE)

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11:30 – 13:00 Thematic Session Head and Neck Pathology II

Chairs: Steffen Ormanns, Innsbruck

Gregor Gorkiewicz, Graz

11:30 – 12:00 Odontogenic Cysts

Nils Rupp, Zurich (CH)

12:00 – 12:30 Epithelial Lesions in the Oral Cavity

Stephan Ihrler, Munich (DE)

12:30 – 13:00 Infectious Pathology of the Head and Neck

Milo Halabi, Ried im Innkreis

Scientific Program

Friday, September 25th

13:00 – 13:15 **Awards**

Eva Compérat, Wien

Rupert Langer, Linz

Luka Brcic, Graz

13:15 – 13:45 **Lunch Break**

13:45 – 14:30 **Guided Poster Session at Lösehalle**

14:30 – 15:00 **Industry Symposia II**

Präzisionsdiagnostik beim NSCLC: NGS und
Histopathologie mit Fokus auf c-MET

Dagmar Krenbek, Vienna



15:00 – 15:45 **Thematic Session Lung Pathology III**

Chairs: Luka Brcic, Graz

Dagmar Krenbek, Vienna

15:00 – 15:45 **Hmm. Too many lymphocytes. Now what?**

Henry Tazelaar, Phoenix (USA)

15:45 – 16:15 **Industry Symposia III**

Update und Herausforderungen –
Systemische Mastozytose

Karl Sotlar, Salzburg



16:15 – 17:00 **Break**

17:00 – 18:00 **Thematic Session Lung Pathology IV**

Chairs: Lukas Stifter, Vienna

Farid Moinfar, Linz

17:00 – 17:30 **Staging Issues in Pulmonary Surgical Pathology**

Sabina Berezowska, Lausanne (CH)

17:30 – 18:00 **Cytology and Histology in Diagnosis of NSCLC**

Luka Brcic, Graz

Wolfgang Pokieser, Vienna

18:00 – 19:00 **Generalversammlung ÖGPATH**

from 19:30 **Congress Dinner – Qube**

Scientific Program

Saturday, September 26th

from 08:00 Registration

08:00 – 09:25 Patho Run

09:25 – 09:30 Welcome

09:30 – 10:00 Industry Symposia IV



Chair: Luka Brcic, Graz

Co-Chair/ Speaker: Dagmar Krenbek, Vienna

New and Emerging Biomarkers in Non-Small Cell Lung Cancer: MTAP Deletion – The Overlooked Biomarker, and Why Pathology Makes the Difference
Bernhard Doleschal, Linz

10:00 – 11:30 Thematic Session Lung Pathology V

Chairs: Sabina Berezowska, Lausanne (CH)

Martin Klimpfinger, Vienna

10:00 – 10:30 Neuroendocrine Tumors of the Lung Pathology
Liu Drolaiz, Linz

10:30 – 11:00 SCLC – Where the research road goes
Zsolt Megyesfalvi, Vienna

11:00 – 11:30 I Think I Know What This Is...Uncommon Variants of Common Tumors
Henry Tazelaar, Phoenix (USA)

11:30 – 12:00 Industry Symposia V



The Role of PD-L1 Testing in Head and Neck Cancer Management
Luka Brcic, Graz

12:00 – 13:15 Lunch Break

Scientific Program

Saturday, September 26th

13:15 – 15:30 Pro&Contra Topic Discussions / Case Presentations

13:15 – 13:30 The two-tier dysplasia grading system for laryngeal squamous lesions is superior to the traditional three-tier system.

Pro: *Michael Günther, Innsbruck*

Con: *Francesco Teso, Vöcklabruck*

13:30 – 13:55 Case presentation:
Patricia Marta, Vienna

13:55 – 14:10 p16 immunohistochemistry remains the optimal method to determine HPV-associated oropharyngeal squamous cell carcinoma.

Pro: *Johannes Lettner, Salzburg*

Con: *Suzana Bračić Tomažič, Graz*

14:10 – 14:35 Case presentation:
Katrin Kurz, Wels

14:35 – 14:50 Tissue biopsy is better than liquid biopsy for comprehensive molecular profiling of lung carcinoma.

Pro: *Joseph Bela Bukovics, Vienna*

Con: *Hanna Henzinger, Graz*

14:50 – 15:15 Case presentation:
Sabrina Horvath, Vienna

15:15 – 15:30 Pathologists should diagnose hypersensitivity pneumonitis (HP) rather than bronchiolocentric interstitial pneumonia (BIP) whenever histology is suggestive.

Pro: *Marc Simon Weigel, Vienna*

Con: *Jacob Bodingbauer, Linz*

15:30 – 15:45 Closing and End of Meeting

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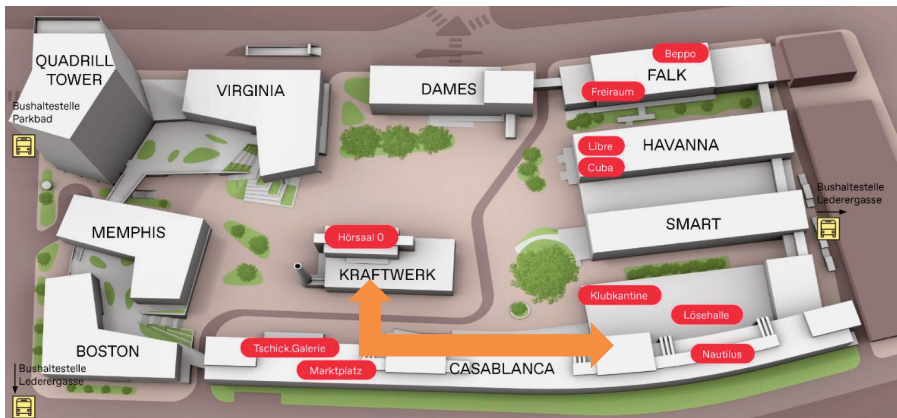
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Venue and Transport Information

The presentations will take place in Lecture Hall 0, and registration and the trade exhibition will be held in the Lösehalle



Public Transportation

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- **Lines 12 & 25:** Parkbad stop or Lederergasse stop
- **Lines 26:** Parkbad stop
- **Lines 27:** Schlachthof stop
- **Lines 72:** Parkbad stop
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