

Bern Movement Disorders Symposium and Farewell Prof. Paul Krack

Thursday, April 3, 2025, 14:00–17:30

Auditorium
Ettore Rossi,
Inselspital Bern

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Dear colleagues,

We are pleased to invite you to the Movement Disorders Symposium and Farewell Prof. Paul Krack, who is retiring after six years as Chief Physician of the Centre for Parkinson's Disease and Movement Disorders at the Inselspital in Bern.

From his early medical studies in Giessen to his specialization in movement disorders in Kiel and Grenoble, Prof. Krack has become a leading expert in Parkinson's disease and deep brain stimulation, with groundbreaking scientific contributions to the field.

He held the prestigious Parkinson's Professorship, supported by Parkinson Switzerland. Under his leadership, the Centre for Parkinson's Disease and Movement Disorders at the Bern University Hospital has continued to evolve significantly.

Prof. Krack has always been passionate and deeply committed to the care of patients and their families. His professional dedication will leave a lasting impact.

We look forward to honoring and celebrating his remarkable career together with his friends and distinguished experts from around the world.

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Program

- 14:00–14:05 Welcome**
Urs Fischer and Claudio Bassetti
Chairs
Jens Volkmann, Marwan Hariz, Pierre Pollak, Alim-Louis Benabid
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- 14:05–14:20 Physiology of the subthalamic nucleus: Past insights, present understanding and future directions**
Hagai Bergman
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- 14:20–14:35 STN DBS: The start of a journey**
Patricia Limousin
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- 14:35–14:50 Technological (r)evolution(s) in stereotaxy**
Stephan Chabardes
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- 14:50–15:05 STN DBS in PD: From experimental surgery to evidence based therapy**
Günther Deuschl
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- 15:05–15:20 Focused Ultrasound lesion of the STN in PD**
Raul Martínez-Fernández
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- 15:20–15:35 The limbic STN in Obsessive-compulsive disorder**
Mircea Polosan
-
- 15:35–16:05 Coffee break**
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- Chairs**
Mathias Sturzenegger, Olaf Blanke, Jan Rusz, Tobias Nef
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- 16:05–16:20 Imaging behavior and neuropsychiatric manifestations in PD**
Stéphane Thobois
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- 16:20–16:35 Neuropsychology of PD – behavior matters**
Deborah Amstutz
-
- 16:35–16:50 Impact of STN DBS on behavior in PD**
Anna Castrioto
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- 16:50–17:05 Speech recording in PD: Voice as a fingerprint of the soul**
Mario Sousa
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- 17:05–17:15 Closing remarks**
Paul Krack
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- 17:15–19:00 Aperitif**
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Speakers and Chairs

Dr. Deborah Amstutz

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Prof. Claudio L. A. Bassetti

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Prof. Jens Volkmann

Department of Neurology, University Hospital of Würzburg, Germany

General Information

The latest information about the event can be found on the [website](#) of the Department of Neurology.

Registration is mandatory for participation on site in the Auditorium Ettore Rossi. Please register by March 26, 2025 using the [registration form](#).

Participation is free of charge.

Directions

We recommend arrival by public transport. From Bern railway station, take bus line 12 in the direction of Holligen to the «Inselplatz» stop. If you are travelling by car, take the «Bern Forsthaus» motorway exit. Limited parking spaces are available in the Inselparking, the Bahnhofparking and the City West multi-storey car park.



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