

5th International Workshops on Genotoxicity Testing (IWGT) Biozentrum of the University of Basel, Switzerland, August 17-19, 2009

Announcement

Steering committee:

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Dear colleague,

5th International Workshop on Genotoxicity Testing

Biozentrum of the University of Basel, Switzerland, August 17-19, 2009

Local Organizers: Lutz Müller (F. Hoffmann-La Roche), Hans-Jörg Martus (Novartis)

IWGT has held 4 previous workshops (Melbourne, 1993; Washington, 1999; Plymouth, 2002; San Francisco, 2005). The consensus recommendations from these have been highly influential in shaping the revisions to OECD guidelines and the recommendations in the ICH S2A and B guidances. There are now new challenges facing the genetic toxicology community including how to reduce "false" positive results in vitro or how to reduce animal usage. IWGT will therefore hold its 5th workshop as a satellite meeting immediately prior to the 2009 International Conference on Environmental Mutagens (ICEM), Florence, Italy.

At the 5th IWGT, the following topics will be addressed:

1. Suitable Top Concentration for Tests With Mammalian Cells

Following the proposal of the ICH Expert Working Group to reduce the top concentration for non-toxic drug candidates from 10 to 1 mM, clarification is needed whether the same recommendations can be applied to non-pharmaceutical compounds. A review of published data plus any new experimental data will be discussed in full plenary session.

- 1a)** An in vitro chromosomal aberration/micronucleus subgroup (led by Sheila Galloway) and
- 1b)** a mammalian cell gene mutation subgroup (led by Martha Moore) will convene to separately discuss the 10 mM vs. 1 mM debate.

Sheila's group will also look at suitable measures of cytotoxicity.

2. Photogenotoxicity Testing Requirements

The photogenotoxicity subgroup (led by Peter Kasper) will reconvene to update the recommendations made in 2000 in light of recent publications (e.g. on pseudophotoclastogenicity), and proposed revisions to the EU photosafety guideline.

3. In Vitro Test Approaches with Better Predictivity

A new subgroup (led by Stefan Pfuhler) will convene to develop consensus recommendations for choice of better test systems to improve the predictivity of *in vitro* tests. This group will review current studies investigating whether certain cell types are more susceptible to giving irrelevant positive results *in vitro*.

4. Improvement of In Vivo Genotoxicity Assessment – The link to Standard Toxicity Testing

A new subgroup (led by Andreas Rothfuss) will meet to develop consensus recommendations for integrating genotoxicity endpoints into repeat dose toxicity studies and to study multiple endpoints in short-term studies, in light of ICH, ECVAM and animal welfare recommendations to reduce animal usage.

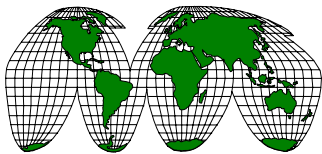
5. Use of historical control data for the interpretation of positive results

Carried over from the 4th IWGT, a subgroup will convene to discuss the use of historical control data in the interpretation of positive results.

6. Suitable Follow-up Risk Assessment Testing for In Vivo Positive Results

The "strategy" subgroup (led by Veronique Thybaud) will convene to discuss strategies to follow up on positive results *in vivo*.

As usual, invited expert scientists from academia, government and industry, from across the world, will participate, to provide focused discussion and to give conclusive recommendations. The success of IWGT has been largely due to getting powerful representation of all global stakeholders around one table, and striving for data-driven consensus. Observers and registered participants are welcome to join the audience.



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Conference Venue

The meeting will be held in the premises of **Pharmazentrum and Biozentrum of the University of Basel** in the very heart of Basel within short walking distance to all major hotels and sightseeing locations. This Institute of the University of Basel is working at the forefront of biosciences in close cooperation with the various governmental and industry organizations in the area and forms an essential internationally renowned nucleus for bioscience research.



Conference Venue address

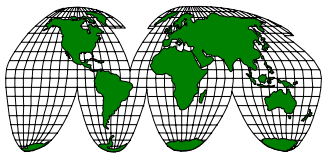
Pharmazentrum and Biozentrum der Universität Basel
Klingelbergstrasse 50/70
CH-4056 Basel
Switzerland

Information Phone 0041 (0)61 267 21 11

www.pharmazentrum.unibas.ch

www.biozentrum.unibas.ch/index.html

Travel info: www.biozentrum.unibas.ch/travelinfo/travelinfo.html



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Registration Guidelines

Registration will be accepted on-line, by Fax or Mail to the Conference Secretariat in Basel and is valid upon confirmation of the registration fee transfer on the IWGT bank account. **For payments with credit card**, on-line registration is mandatory. If you register by mail or fax, payment by bank transfer is the only possible way. **For payments at on-site registration** we can only accept Swiss Francs and Euro in cash, no credit card nor checks will be accepted.

Late registrations (received after 10th of August 2009) will be processed on-site.

Online Registration

All participants are kindly recommended to register preferably via ICEM 2009 Conference website <http://www.icem2009.org/eems/conference09/default.csp> under "**Satellite Meetings**" then click "**5th IWGT Meeting**" then "**Online Registration Form**". Important: Invited group members should register but do not pay the registration.

Payment by Credit Card (Online Registration only)

Payments by VISA, Eurocard/Mastercard or American Express will be made by "**PayPal**" which is the safer, easier way to make an online payment, by completing the relevant details on the ICEM website. Please fill in ALL details carefully, if ANY of the required fields is missing, we will not be able to process the payment. **Important:** Invited group members should register but do not pay the registration.

Beneficiary address:

TOSIN Productions - IWGT 2009 Basel, Luftmattstrasse 17, CH-5052 Basel, Switzerland

Registration by Fax or Mail (Download Registration Form only)

A text version of the Registration Form in PDF format can be downloaded from the ICEM 2009 Conference website <http://www.icem2009.org/eems/conference09/default.csp> under "**Satellite Meetings**" then click "**5th IWGT Meeting**" then "**Download Registration**" or directly http://www.icem2009.org/eems/files/Other%20conferences/IWGT_2009/IWGT09_6_Download_Registration_Form_PDF_final_web_19.02.pdf. **Important:** Invited group members should register but do not pay the registration.

The Registration Form in PDF format is to be used for registration by fax or mail only.

Each participant submitting the Registration Form by fax or mail will receive a Participant Registration Number by email or mail to include in details of payment.

All participants are kindly requested to register in advance by completing and submitting the Registration Form with the appropriate fees. All participants registering after 31st of July 2009 are kindly requested to make their payment by credit card only. We will also accept on-site late registrations with cash payment.

Registration Form Submission

Even with registration on-line, we would appreciate if you can send a copy of the registration form to

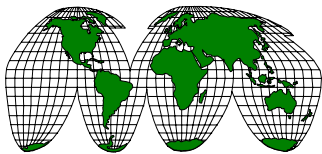
By Fax: 0041 (0)61 311 56 46

By E-mail: registration-iwgt09@tosinproductions.ch

By Mail, please send to:
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IWGT 2009 Basel
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Switzerland

Registration Confirmation

Each registering participant will receive a Participant Registration confirmation via E-mail or Mail to secure identification. Please keep this for identification when you register at the meeting.



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Payment

All fees for the Conference registration should be paid in EURO or in Swiss Francs (conversion rate: 1.50 Francs /1 Euro), free of all bank charges – clearly stating the participant's name. If your payment is not received before deadline dates, the late fee will be automatically charged.

Registration Fee	Paid before 31 st of July, 2009	Paid after 31 st of July, 2009
Regular	EUR 150.00	EUR 180.00

The registration fee includes:

- Conference bag
- Final Programme
- Admission to all parts of the conference including Workshops
- Opening ceremony and Welcome reception
- Coffee Breaks
- Lunch (Mon, Tue, Wed) at the Basel University Mensa
- Conference Dinner

Payment by Bank transfer (Please add Euro 10.00 or Swiss Francs 15.00 for handling charges.)

Beneficiary address:

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Confirmation

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Responsibility

The participant acknowledges that he/she has no right to issue any claims against the organizers should any unforeseeable events make it impossible to hold IWGT Symposium under the conditions announced. . With registration, the participant accepts this proviso.

Cancellation / Refund Policy

There will be no refund for paid registration fees.

Local Organizer and Conference Secretariat:

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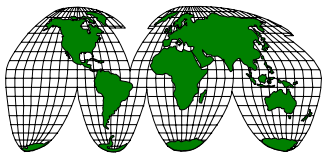
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REGISTRATION FORM 1/2 PLEASE fax the signed registration form to: 0041 61 311 56 46

- Group chair, Co-chair or Rapporteur Last Name:
 Invited Delegate
 Registrant with payment
 Mr. Mrs. Dr. Prof. First Name:

Affiliation: Departement:

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City: Country:

E-mail: Telephone: Fax:

Registration Fees	Regular Registration (paid before 31st of July 2009)	Late Registration (paid after 31st of July 2009)
Registrant with payment	<input type="checkbox"/> 150.00 €	<input type="checkbox"/> 180.00 €
Invited group members*	<input type="checkbox"/> 0 €	<input type="checkbox"/> 0 €

*Invited group members should register but do not pay the registration

Total Registration Fees€
(If paid in Swiss Franken, please use the conversion rate of 1.50 Francs / 1.- Euro)

For regular registrants only

To facilitate planning could you please indicate which group session you prefer to attend
(Please indicate below crossing (x) in the appropriate filed)

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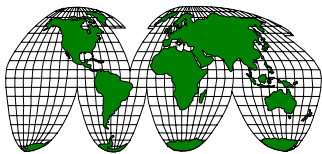
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- 2 Photogenotoxicity Testing Requirements (led by Peter Kasper)
- 3 In vitro Test Approaches with Better Predictivity (led by Stefan Pfuhler)
- 4 Improvement of In Vivo Genotoxicity Assessment – The link to Standard Toxicity Testing (Andreas Rothfuss)
- 5 Use of historical control data for the interpretation of positive results
- 6 Suitable Follow-up Risk Assessment Testing for Positive Results (Veronique Thybaud)

Conference Dinner on the 18th of August (Included in the registration fee) Yes No

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I have read and accept all the terms including the cancellation conditions as detailed.

Date:

Signature:

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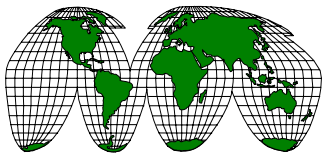
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Accommodation

A limited number of rooms have been reserved for IWGT 2009 Basel participants in various hotels in Basel **with special rates guaranteed if booked until first of July 2009**. While the organizers have negotiated these special rates with the participating hotels, booking has to be made individually with the hotel. Please refer to the list of hotels including the special rates below. The link brings you directly to the hotel homepage. Please book directly at the hotel of your choice, using the code name "IWGT 2009 Basel." Since Basle is a popular tour and business destination in August, we recommend early booking. For bookings of hotels not listed in the table below the Basel tourism office will be happy to support.

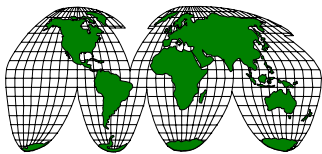
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Hotels in Basel (With special rates guaranteed if booked by the first of July 2009)

Pos.	Hotel	Single Room CHF	Double Room CHF	Breakfast Pers / Day CHF	Guest rates Pers / Night CHF	Parking per Day	Website & Roomreservation
1	Hotel Merian ****	240.00	320.00	included	3.20	25.00	www.hotelmerianbasel.ch kontakt@hotelmerianbasel.ch
2	Hotel Basel ****	200.00	240.00	22.00	3.20	--	www.hotel-basel.ch reception@hotel-basel.ch
3	Hotel Krafft ****	200.00	310.00 245.00 (1 Pers)	included	3.20	--	www.hotelkrafft.ch info@hotelkrafft.ch
4	Hotel Rochat ***	125.00 145.00 (Grand Lit)	180.00 145.00 (1 Pers)	included	3.20	15.00	www.hotelrochat.ch info@hotelrochat.ch
5	Hotel Balade ***	120.00 Weekend 140.00 Week	170 Weekend 190 Week	included	3.20	20.00	www.hotel-balade.ch info@hotel-balade.ch
6	Hostel Basilisk ***	110.00 Weekend 130.00 Week	220.00	included	3.20	17.00	www.hotel-basilisk.ch info@hotel-basilisk.ch
7	Hostel ** University Guesthouse	105.00	155.00 120.00 (1 Pers)	included	3.20	15.00	www.hostel-uhbs.ch hostel@uhbs.ch



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General Information

Timing

The 5th International Workshop on Genotoxicity Testing starts on Monday 17th of August at lunchtime and finishes end of Wednesday 19th August (2.5 days).

Language

English is the official language of the congress.

Attire

Informal for all occasions.

Weather

The weather in Basel in August is usually mild.

On average a temperature between 28°C/82.4 F and 18°C/64.4 F can be expected.

For further information click: www.biozentrum.unibas.ch/weather.html

Congress Organizers

Do not hesitate to contact the organizers if you require any additional information or assistance. Please address all correspondence to: pablo.tosin@tosinproductions.ch

Fees

Congress fees include participation fees, coffee breaks, lunches and a dinner on the 18th of August.

Lunches and Breaks

Lunch and coffee breaks will be organised by the congress and are included in the congress fees.

Lunch will be served in the Pharmazentrum.

Congress dinner

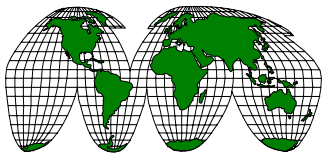
All participants are cordially invited to join the dinner in the evening of August, 18th (included in congress fees). Details will be provided with your registration material.

Accommodation

A wide range of centrally located accommodation is available. Please see further details on the accommodation sheet. Please be sure to make your reservations in due time (first of July) to secure accommodation of your preference. You will be provided with a mobility-ticket for free travelling by bus and tram in the city and periphery when booking a hotel room.

Liability

The congress secretariat and the organizers cannot accept liability for personal accidents or loss of or damage to private property of participants either during or directly arising from the 5th International Workshop on Genotoxicity Testing (IWGT). Participants should make their own arrangements with respect to health and travel insurance.



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General Information

How to reach Basel

By airplane

Euroairport www.euroairport.com/EN/accueil.php

The airport is close to the city (~5 km distance, served by buses) and is served by major international airlines (Swiss, Lufthansa, Air France) from all parts of Europe. The airport has also turned recently into a major destination for the low budget airline easyjet www.easyjet.com

By train

Basel has three major train stations. Two stations, the Swiss (Basel SBB) and the French Station (Bâle SNCF) are co-located in the Main Station (Gross Basel part of the City). For Swiss connections from SBB, please refer to www.sbb.ch, for the connections to France from SNCF www.sncf.com. Connections to/from Germany depart from the Badischer Bahnhof (Klein Basel part of the City). You will find details about connections to Germany/DB under www.bahn.de.

By car

Travel info www.biozentrum.unibas.ch/travelinfo/travelinfo.html

We recommend you leave the car at the Parkhaus City, Schanzenstrasse, close to the venue.

www.mybasel.ch/verkehr_stadtplan_karte.cfm?OID=parkhaeuser,602&ZIParkhaeuser=1

Public transport

You can cross the border to France and Germany easily and quickly via public transport (please don't forget your passport or ID). Buses and trams run approximately every 6 to 8 minutes during the day, and every 15 minutes in the late evening.

University

The University of Basel was founded in 1460. It is the oldest university in Switzerland. Information can be found under www.unibas.ch. Additionally a high school focused on Life Sciences is situated in MuttENZ. Please refer to www.fhnw.ch/lifesciences for further details.

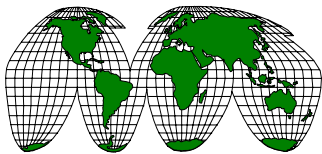
Welcome to Basel

"Basel beats differently" is the motto with which Basel wants to draw attention to itself at home and abroad. Basel is unique by its position in the so-called Dreiländereck, the triangle formed by the three countries of Switzerland, Germany, and France. Basel is known as an open, multi-faceted cultural, educational, and economic intercontinental metropolis.

Basel City map: www.geo-bs.ch/stadtplan_stadtplan_karte.cfm?Type=regular&Zoom=1000

Basel Tourismus: www.baseltourismus.ch/opencms/opencms/bstour/english/index.html

Basel - official website of the Canton of Basel-Stadt: www.basel.ch/en/basel/home



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How to reach Florence from Basel

The fastest option to Florence is to take the train from Basel SBB train station to Zurich Airport (make sure to choose one of the frequent direct train connections for your convenience). From Zurich Airport, you can choose from three direct flights scheduled per day to Florence.

You can travel by bus or taxi to the Basel SBB train station.
 Please find further details under the following links:

SBB Train www.sbb.ch/en/index.htm
 Zürich Airport www.zurich-airport.com

Bus

From the Pharmazentrum take the **Bus BVB 30** at **Bus station Bernoullianum** (**Important note: make sure to use the direction Bahnhof SBB and not Badischer Bahnhof, which is the opposite direction**)

Starting at 09:18/09:26/14:18/14:26 arriving at the **train station SBB** at 09:25/09:32/14:25/14:32
 Bus Schedule: See attachment in PDF format

Taxi

It usually takes about 10 minutes from the Biozentrum to the SBB train station depending on the traffic it could take a bit longer. Taxis can be booked by phone using the following numbers:

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 mini-cab AG +41 (0)61 777 77 77
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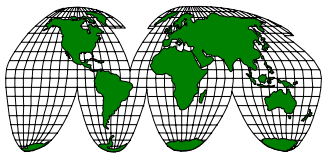
Important:

Timetables and prices could be subject to change.
 Please check and reconfirm prior to booking/departure.

Timetable www.swiss.com	Trains SBB			ZH Airport	Flights		
	Basel		Zürich Airport	Check-in 1	Zurich		Florence
19 August 2009	04:40	Platform 14	05:56	90'	07:35	LX 1678	08:45
19 August 2009	09:40	Platform 10	10:56	90'	12:50	LX 1674	14:05
19 August 2009	14:40	Platform 9	15:56	90'	17:45	LX 1680	19:00
20 August 2009	04:40	Platform 14	05:56	90'	07:35	LX 1678	08:45
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Flight: Zurich - Florence / Wed. 19.08.2009 www.swiss.com						
All prices are quoted for 1 adult in CHF	Economy Saver	Economy	Economy Flex	Business Saver***	Business***	Business Flex
LX 1678 07:35 ZRH - 08:45 FLR	CHF 99.50	CHF 225.00	CHF 531.50	CHF 249.50	CHF 375.00	CHF 668.50
LX 1674 12:50 ZRH - 14:05 FLR	CHF 178.50	CHF 225.00	CHF 531.50	CHF 328.50	CHF 375.00	CHF 668.50
LX 1680 17:45 ZRH - 19:00 FLR	CHF 99.50	CHF 225.00	CHF 531.50	CHF 249.50	CHF 375.00	CHF 668.50

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ZÜRICH FLUGHAFEN - BASEL SBB / via ZÜRICH - FRICK OR OLTEN			
Class of travel	Type of travel	Discount	Price (Swiss francs)
2nd Class	→ One-way		35.00
2nd Class	→ One-way	½ Half-Fare (travelcard)	17.50
2nd Class	↔ Return		70.00
2nd Class	↔ Return	½ Half-Fare (travelcard)	35.00
1st Class	→ One-way		58.00
1st Class	→ One-way	½ Half-Fare (travelcard)	29.00
1st Class	↔ Return		116.00
1st Class	↔ Return	½ Half-Fare (travelcard)	58.00



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Useful Telephone Numbers in Basel

Medical emergency ambulance 144
Fire emergency 118
Police 117

Lost property Swiss railway station: 0900 300 300
Lost property, German railway station: +41 (0)61 690 12 51
Lost property BVB/Basel city: 0900 120 130

For international calls to Switzerland + 41 + number
For international calls from Switzerland 00 + State code + number

Airport/Airlines

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Swiss: 0848 700 700
Lufthansa: 0900 900 922
Air France: 0848 747 100

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