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7th Infect-Net Network Meeting
22. - 23. September, 2026

Supported by University Hospital Würzburg, University of Würzburg & CRC DECIDE

Programme

Venue:

Institute for Molecular Infection Biology &
Helmholtz Institute for RNA-based Infection Research
Josef-Schneider-Str. 2 / Building D15
Room 01.002-004, Large Seminar Room
97080 Würzburg

Tuesday, 22. September 2026

12:00 **Arrival & Lunch Snack**

13:00 - 13:10 **Welcome**

Franziska Faber, Stefanie Kampmeier & Gabriele Pradel

13:10 - 14:45 **Scientific Talks**

Chairs: Franziska Faber, Stefanie Kampmeier

30' **Keynote**

Katharina Höfer | Marburg University

RNA as a Social Molecule: Covalent RNA-Protein Networks in Phage Infection

20' each

Cynthia Sharma | University of Würzburg

*Regulation of stress responses and virulence of pathogenic
Epsilonproteobacteria*

Franziska Faber | University of Würzburg

Programmable RNA antibiotics

Stephanie Jung | University of Bonn

*Viral disruption of MOV10-LINE-1 complexes leads to MDA5 activation
during hepatitis D virus infection"*

Dorothee Viemann | University Hospital Würzburg

*Age-Dependent Outcomes in Human Respiratory Viral Infections:
Underlying Mechanisms*

14:45 - 16:30 **Group photo**

Coffee Break & Meet the PI

16:30 – 17:00 **InfectNet Mitgliederversammlung**

17:15 - 18:15 **World Café - InfectNet Future Goals, Challenges & Opportunities**
open topics

ab 19:30 **Dinner (self-paid) & Get together**

Mittwoch, 23.9.26

8:30

Coffee

9:00-11:00

Talk and podium discussion

Chair: Gabriele Pradel

Claudia Peus, Institute for Lifelong Learning | Technical University
Munich (online)

Topic: TBD

11:15- 12:15

Joint Interactive Session: InfectNet and Moms@Science

Lisa Tölle | University of Education, Freiburg

12:15

Lunch & Departure

Useful Information

Organisation

University Würzburg
University Clinic Würzburg

Prof. Dr. Franziska Faber
Prof. Dr. Stefanie Kampmeier

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Accommodation

1 x Night/Breakfast ab 108,90 €

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Directions

From the Train Station to the Institute:

Arrival at the Hauptbahnhof Würzburg (Central Station). You can reach the main area of the University Hospital with the tram no. 5 (towards Grombühl). The tram heads directly to the Institute and is generally available every 10 minutes. The ride will take about 6 minutes. Please leave the tram at the stop "Uni-Klinikum Bereich D, Würzburg". Across the street, about 10 meters up the hill, you will see a big steel gate for pedestrians. After you have passed that gate, you will see a yellow building directly in front of you. This is building D15, in which the Rudolf Virchow Center (RVZ), the Institute of Molecular Infection Biology (IMIB) and the Helmholtz Institute for RNA-based Infection Research (HIRI) are located. The walk from the Main Station to the institute takes about 20-25 minutes.

At the Institute:

Walk to your left up the hillside around the building where you will find the Main Entrance. The purple area in the map denotes the construction site of the new HIRI building. When you enter the foyer, please walk up the stairs to the 1st floor and you will be right in front of the Large Seminar Room 01.002-004.

- Main Entrance D15 / Foyer
- West Entrance D15 / Heike Filbry
- Pedestrian Gate / Street Entrance

