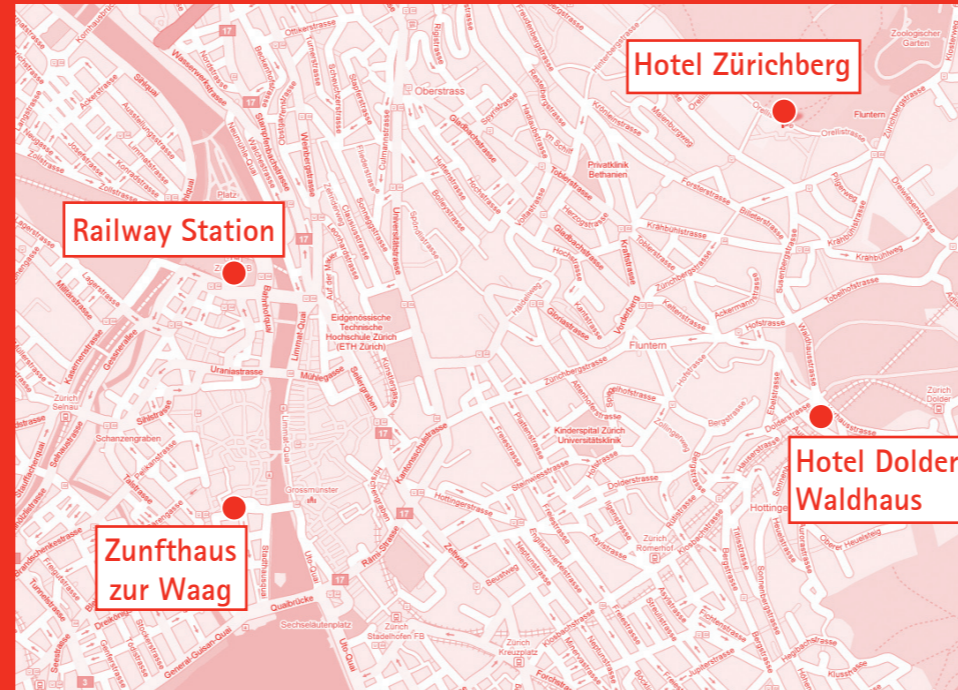


General Information

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Participation fees	For SSPH members: 2 days participation, dinner, 2x lunch, coffee break: CHF 290.- 1 day participation, dinner, 1x lunch, coffee break: CHF 200.- For non-members add CHF 50.-
Accommodation	There is a limited number of hotel rooms reserved at the Hotel Zürichberg and at the nearby Hotel Dolder Waldhaus. For booking and price information, please refer to the webpage: www.imk.ch/ssph2009



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In idyllic, natural surroundings, yet close to the city centre.

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Welcome to Zurich

Dear colleagues

The 4th International Congress organised by the Swiss Society for Pulmonary Hypertension will underline the recent developments in this field of medicine. Updated information from the last world congress held in Dana Point in 2008 as well as the new guidelines that will be presented at the European society of Cardiology in September 2009 will be discussed. This congress should interest pulmonologists, intensivists, cardiologists, rheumatologists and immunologists. Due to the wide scope of practical subjects internists and generalists should also find useful information while attending to this congress.

Topics will cover the epidemiology of major groups of pulmonary hypertension, diagnosis and risk factors and a presentation of the new clinical classification. A pro and contra debate will oppose the non-invasive versus invasive follow-up of pulmonary hypertension, a topic of major interest and controversies. A specific section will discuss the emerging disease together with chronic thromboembolic pulmonary hypertension, and PH associated with respiratory disorders, hematologic disease and left heart pathologies.

The second day will be focused on interactive workshops on classification, treatment strategies and screening, where participants can actively interact with world renown experts. Finally the last session will review the current knowledge on therapies, unravel the future aspects and the new therapeutic algorithm will be discussed in detail.

The best poster will be awarded during the congress.

Hoping to see you in the nice venue for an interactive and fruitful congress, I send you the best regards of the Swiss Society for Pulmonary Hypertension.

Prof. Dr. med. M. Beghetti
President of the SSPH

Friday October 30, 2009

10:00	Welcome and opening comments: SSPH President: M. Beghetti, Geneva
10:00–11:30	Session 1: Epidemiology Diagnosis and risk factors Classification of pulmonary arterial hypertension (PAH) Session chairs: H. Stricker, Locarno, A. Azzola, Lugano
10:00–10:30	History of PAH Classification: R. Naeije, Brussel, Belgium
10:30–11:00	Update on diagnosis and risk factors of PAH: A. Peacock, Glasgow, UK
11:00–11:30	The new PAH classification: M. Beghetti, Geneva
11:30–12:30	Pro and contra debate: invasive vs. non-invasive follow-up (3x20min pro, contra, conclusion) Session chair: J.-D. Aubert, Lausanne
11:30–11:50	Pro: M. Humbert, Clamart, France
11:50–12:10	Contra: A. Torbicki, Warsaw, Poland
12:10–12:30	Discussion
12:30–14:00	Lunch and poster viewing
14:00–16:30	Session 2: Emerging Diseases Associated with PAH Session chairs: S. Ulrich-Somaini, Zürich, L. Nicod, Lausanne
14:00–14:30	Chronic Thromboembolic Pulmonary Hypertension: M. Hoeper, Hannover, Germany
14:30–15:00	PAH associated with liver disease: L. Nicod, Lausanne
15:00–15:30	PAH associated with Respiratory Disorders: R. Naeije, Brussel, Belgium
15:30–16:00	PAH associated with hematologic disorders: G. Domenighetti, Locarno
16:00–16:30	PAH and Left heart disease: I. Lang, Wien, Austria
16:30	Closing comments, questions

Scientific Program

16:45–17:15 Coffee break/Cocktail

17:15–17:45 **Actelion Satellite Symposium**
Three new drugs to tackle established PAH pathways
M. Clozel, Basel

17:45–18:45 General assembly

19:30 Transfer/Dinner Zunfthaus zur Waag

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Saturday October 31, 2009

09:00 Opening comments: President-elect SSPH: J.-D. Aubert, Lausanne

09:00–10:30 Session 3: Parallel Workshops

WS 1: PAH: Aetiological Classification and pitfalls 2009
A. Peacock, Glasgow, UK (introduction: M. Beghetti, Geneva)

WS 2: PAH: Treatment strategies 2009
N. Galié, Bologna, Italy (introduction: A. Azzola, Lugano)

10:30–11:00 Coffee break and **Poster viewing**

11:00–11:15 Poster Award, President

**11:15–13:15 Session 4: Old compounds, new guidelines and new pathways
in the treatment of PAH**
Session chairs: M. Tamm, Basel, Th. Geiser, Berne

11:15–11:45 Old pathways, new compounds and early treatments:
M. Hoeper, Hannover, Germany

11:45–12:15 New pathways for PH Therapy: M. Humbert, Clamart, France

12:15–12:45 Endpoints in the therapy of PAH: A. Torbicki, Warsaw, Poland

12:45–13:15 New treatment guidelines: N. Galié, Bologna, Italy

13:15 Closing comments