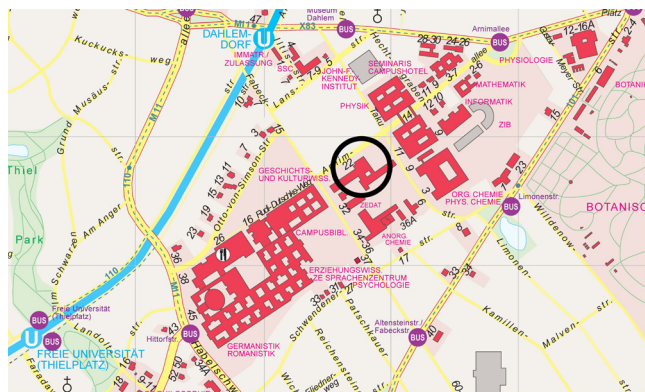


## Venue & Location

Freie Universität Berlin, Institute of Chemistry and Biochemistry, Gr. Hörsaal, Arnimallee 22, 14195 Berlin



## Symposium WLAN

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## Conference Dinner

Restaurant Luise  
Königin-Luise-Straße 40 - 42  
14195 Berlin

<https://www.luise-dahlem.de/>

How to get there:

Leave the Institute of Chemistry and Biochemistry via the main entrance (Arnimallee 22), turn right down Arnimallee to Takustr. Follow Takustr. to the left until you reach Königin-Luise-Straße. The restaurant is located directly at the corner of Takustr./Königin-Luise-Straße. The walking distance is approx. 300 m.

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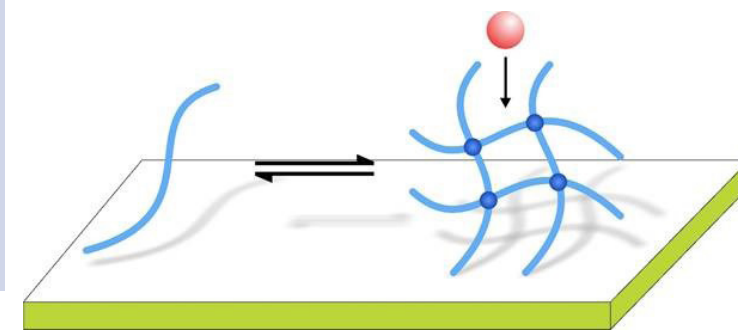
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“Dynamic Hydrogels at Bionterfaces”

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## 1. International Symposium on “Dynamic Hydrogels at Biointerfaces”

It is a great pleasure to invite you to our 1<sup>st</sup> International Symposium on “Dynamic Hydrogels at Biointerfaces” which will take place from October 6-7, 2022 at the Freie Universität Berlin.

This symposium is part of our Collaborative Research Center SFB 1449 „Dynamic Hydrogels at Biointerfaces“ ([www.sfb1449.de](http://www.sfb1449.de)) with a major focus on mucus. We offer several exciting invited lectures and sessions on mucus biology, analysis, rheology, glycobiology and peptides. Additionally, the SFB will present its collaborative projects.

The overarching goal of this CRC symposium is to discuss the key parameters that determine protective hydrogel function at biological interfaces. The CRC initiative is driven by biomedical questions with a long-term and increasingly translational perspective:

- (1) understanding the structure, properties and dynamics of hydrogels at biointerfaces at the molecular level; by complementary experimental and theoretical approaches;
- (2) dynamic behavior and modelling of native vs. synthetic hydrogels; definition of the barrier function of the glycocalyx and mucus as well as interaction of interfacial layers;
- (3) Overcoming barrier dysfunction to prevent infection and inflammation by synthetic mucus-mimetics, modulation of mucus (dys)function by mucolytic agents and to develop and test the diagnostic and therapeutic potential of our strategies.

We are convinced that only a transdisciplinary approach based on expertise in physics, chemistry, material sciences, biology, and medicine that is integrated with frontline modeling approaches will allow the much needed comprehensive investigation of the complex and dynamic hydrogel networks at biointerfaces of the airways and intestine.

We are looking forward to welcome you in Berlin.



Prof. Dr. Rainer Haag,  
Spokesperson CRC 1449



Prof. Dr. Marcus Mall  
Deputy Spokesperson CRC 1449

## Program

### THURSDAY, OCTOBER 06, 2022

8:30 REGISTRATION

9:00 OPENING

Prof. Rainer Haag | Spokesperson of the CRC 1449  
Freie Universität Berlin

#### SESSION – MUCUS BIOLOGY AND MODEL SYSTEMS

Chair: Dr. Laura Elomaa

09:15 Molecular Requirements for Polymeric Mucin Assembly and Function in Respiratory Health and Disease

Prof. Chris Evans | University of Colorado, USA

10:00 Mucus abnormalities and therapeutic targeting in muco-obstructive lung disease

Prof. Marcus Mall | Charité – Universitätsmedizin Berlin

10:30 COFFEE BREAK

#### SESSION – AIRWAY MUCINS AND GLYCOCALYX

Chair: Dr. Julia Gräber-Dürr

11:15 The alveolar epithelial glycocalyx is necessary for pulmonary surfactant function

Prof. Eric Schmidt | MGH, Harvard Medical School, USA

12:00 Molecular interactions between surfactant protein A (SP-A) and D (SP-D) and sugars found in the alveolar epithelial glycocalyx

Dr. Elena Lopez-Rodriguez | Charité – Universitätsmedizin Berlin

12:30 LUNCH BUFFET

#### SESSION – MUCUS BIOLOGY AND MODEL SYSTEMS

Chair: Prof. Rainer Haag

14:00 Mapping the bacteria lectin interactions with the mucinome using synthetic model glycopeptides

Prof. Ulrika Westerlind | Umeå University, S

14:45 Partners in slime: How mucus regulates microbial virulence

Prof. Katharina Ribbeck | MIT, USA

15:30 10 SPEED LECTURES from selected posters

16:30 COFFEE BREAK & POSTER SESSION

19:00 CONFERENCE DINNER

### FRIDAY, OCTOBER 07, 2022

#### SESSION – SESSION MUCIN ANALYSIS

Chair: Dr. Philipp Mertins

08:30 Mucus and its organization in intestinal and respiratory tracts

Prof. Gunnar Hansson | University of Gothenburg, SE

09:15 Mass Spectrometry Based Tools for the Analysis of Mucin Glycosylation

Prof. Kevin Pagel | Freie Universität Berlin

09:45 COFFEE BREAK

#### SESSION – MUCUS RHEOLOGY

Chair: Prof. Marcus Mall

10:15 Puzzles of the Airway Surface Layer: A Tale of Two Layers

Prof. Michael C. Rubinstein | University of North Carolina at Chapel, USA

11:00 Mucin-based coatings on biomedical devices

Prof. Oliver Lieleg | Technische Universität München

11:45 Investigations by Macro- and Microrheology of PEG/ Polyelectrolyte Hydrogels that are pH Controlled

Prof. Michael Gradzielski | Technische Universität Berlin

12:15 Probing barrier function and viscoelasticity of native mucus

Dr. Stephan Block | Freie Universität Berlin

12:45 LUNCH BUFFET

#### SESSION – GLYCOBIOLOGY AND PEPTIDES

Chair: Prof. Beate Koksich

14:00 Supramolecular Glycoconjugate Vaccines

Prof. Pol Besenius | Johannes Gutenberg-Universität Mainz

14:45 Going through the phases with peptide assembly: solids, gels, liquids

Prof. Dek Woolfson | University of Bristol, UK

15:30 Towards rationally designed mucin-like glyco-hydrogels

Dr. Martina Delbianco | Max Planck Institute of Colloids and Interfaces

16:00 COFFEE BREAK

#### SESSION – GLYCOBIOLOGY AND PEPTIDES

Chair: Dr. Martina Delbianco

16:30 Generating Homogeneous Glycoproteins by Protein (Semi-)Synthesis

Prof. Christian Becker | University of Vienna, AT

17:15 Extending native chemical ligation for the total synthesis of mucin tandem repeats

Prof. Oliver Seitz | Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin

17:45 POSTER PRIZES & CLOSING REMARKS (Haag)