



## Neuropathology in the 21st Century

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German Society for Neuropathology and Neuroanatomy (DGNN)

Heinrich-Heine-University Düsseldorf  
September 16-19, 2009



**Venue:** Heinrich-Heine-University  
Lecture Hall 13B, Building 13.55  
Moorenstrasse 5, D-40225 Düsseldorf, Germany

**Date:** September 16-19, 2009

### FINAL PROGRAM

#### Wednesday, September 16, 2009

14.00-14.15	<b>Opening of the Meeting</b>
	<b>Words of welcome:</b> <b>L. Schmitt</b> , Vice-Rector for Research and Innovation, Heinrich-Heine University <b>J. Windolf</b> , Dean of the Medical Faculty, Heinrich-Heine University <b>G. Reifenberger</b> , Congress President of the 54th DGNN-Meeting
14.15-15.45	<b>Neurodegenerative diseases (I)</b> <b>Chairs:</b> R. Meyermann (Tübingen), M. Prinz (Freiburg)
14.15-14.45	<b>P. Nicotera</b> (Bonn) Subcellular programmes for neurodegeneration
14.45-15.15	<b>M. Jucker</b> (Tübingen) The prion-like aspect of cerebral amyloidosis
15.15-15.30	<b>A.R. Upadhya</b> , K.-H. Wiederhold, D. Abramowski, E. Capetillo-Zarate, H. Yamaguchi, S. Liebau, M. Staufenbiel, D.R. Thal (Ulm, Basel, New York, Gunma) Different types of neurodegeneration in two mouse models of Alzheimer's disease
15.30-15.45	<b>S. A. Funke</b> , T. van Groen, I. Kadish, D. Bartnik, O. Brener, L. Nagel-Steger, K. Wiesehan, D. Willbold (Jülich, Birmingham, Düsseldorf) Oral treatment with an A $\beta$ 42 oligomer modulating D-amino acid peptide improves cognitive behavior of APP/ PS1 double transgenic mice

15.45-16.15 **Coffee break**

16.15-18.00	<b>Neurodegenerative diseases (II)</b> <b>Chairs:</b> H. Budka (Vienna), D. R. Thal (Ulm)
16.15-16.45	<b>F. Tagliavini</b> (Milan) A recessive mutation in the APP gene with dominant-negative effect on amyloidogenesis: a new perspective for AD therapeutics
16.45-17.15	<b>J. A. Nicoll</b> (Southampton) The clinical and neuropathological consequences of A $\beta$ immunization for Alzheimer's disease
17.15-17.30	<b>T. Hortobágyi</b> , C. Vance, B. Rogelj, K. de Vos, C. Troakes, S. Al-Sarraj, C. Shaw (London) Mutations in RNA processing protein <i>FUS</i> result in neurodegeneration with cytoplasmic inclusion and cause familial amyotrophic lateral sclerosis
17.30-17.45	<b>T. Nachreiner</b> , M. Esser, J. Senderek, A.D. Funke, S. Zierz, M. Deschauer, A.D. Sperfeld, C. Drepper, M. Sendtner, A. Voigt, J.B. Schulz, A. Krüttgen, J. Weis (Aachen, Zurich, Halle/Saale, Ulm, Würzburg) The role of the mutated P56S <i>VAPB</i> protein in the autosomal dominant form of amyotrophic lateral sclerosis ( <i>ALS8</i> )
17.45-18.00	<b>V. Bader</b> , R. Leliveld, P. Hendriks, I. Prikulis, G. Sajnani, J. R. Requena, C. Korth (Düsseldorf, Santiago de Compostela) Misassembly of Disrupted-in-Schizophrenia 1 as a mechanism of sporadic mental disease

18.15-19.00	<b>Evening Lecture</b> <b>Chair:</b> G. Reifemberger (Düsseldorf)
	<b>A. Aguzzi</b> (Zurich) What's new in prion research?

19.30            **Welcome Reception at the "Jazzschmiede"**  
Himmelgeister Str. 107g, 40225 Düsseldorf

## Thursday, September 17, 2009

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9.00-10.30	<b>Neurodegenerative diseases (III)</b> <b>Chairs:</b> S. Weggen (Düsseldorf), M. Neumann (Zurich)
9.00-9.30	<b>M. Neumann</b> (Zurich) Role of TDP-43 in fronto-temporal dementia
9.30-10.00	<b>J. L. Eriksen</b> (Jacksonville) Insights about progranulin in inflammation and neurodegeneration
10.00-10.15	<b>W. Schulz-Schaeffer</b> (Göttingen) Synaptic mechanisms of $\alpha$ -synuclein aggregates in neurodegeneration

10.15-10.30	<b>G. G. Kovacs</b> , T. Schauer, M. Lochner, E. Keller, I. Milenkovic, H. Budka (Vienna, Budapest) Immunostaining for striatal dopamine transporter (DAT): message for DAT scan neuroimaging
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10.30-11.00 **Coffee break**

11.00-12.30	<b>Stem cells and development</b> <b>Chairs:</b> O. Brüstle (Bonn), F. Heppner (Berlin)
11.00-11.30	<b>O. Brüstle</b> (Bonn) From pluripotent sources to functional neurons and glia
11.30-11.45	<b>F. Bicker</b> , I. Nikolic, J. Meister, K.H. Plate, M.H.H. Schmidt (Frankfurt/Main) Epidermal growth factor-like domain 7 (EGFL7) affects adult brain-derived neural stem cells
11.45-12.00	<b>S. Zoubaa</b> , J. Schlegel, F. Guillemot, W. Wurst, J. Guimera (Munich, Neuherberg, London) GABAergic neurons in the midbrain are specified by the bHLH transcription factors <i>Megane</i> and <i>Mash1</i>
12.00-12.15	<b>R. Lünsken</b> , T. Glaser, O. Brüstle (Bonn) Generation of a neural stem cell population with strong gliogenic potential
12.15-12.30	<b>A. Lorenz</b> , R. Smits, R. Fodde, H. A. Kretschmar, U. Schüller (Munich, Rotterdam) Adenomatous polyposis coli gene function is essential for granule neuron precursor proliferation and cerebellar development

12.30-13.00	<b>Pediatric neurooncology lecture</b> <b>Chairs:</b> O. Brüstle (Bonn), F. Heppner (Berlin)
12.30-13.00	<b>S. Pfister</b> (Heidelberg) Molecular markers in pediatric brain tumors

13.00-14.15 **Lunch**

14.15-15.30	<b>Poster sessions 1 - 4</b> <b>Chairs:</b> A. Becker (Bonn), K. Keyvani (Essen), C. Mawrin (Magdeburg), J. Schlegel (Munich)
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15.30-16.00 **Coffee break**

16.00-18.00	<b>Neurooncology (I)</b> <b>Chairs:</b> A. von Deimling (Heidelberg), T. Acker (Giessen)
16.00-16.30	<b>R. McLendon</b> (Durham) Glioma stem cells: Tumor progenitors or perpetrators?
16.30-17.00	<b>K. Ligon</b> (Boston) Stem/progenitor cell transcription factor insights into CNS cancers

17.00-17.15	<b>S. Seidel</b> , B. K. Garvalov, V. Wirta, A. Schänzer, D. Sommerlad, K. Meletis, M. Wolter, L. von Stechow, A.-T. Henze, M. Nistér, G. Reifenberger, J. Lundeberg, J. Frisén, T. Acker (Giessen, Stockholm, Düsseldorf) A hypoxic niche regulates glioma stem cells
17.15-17.30	<b>K. Halama</b> , A. Jeibmann, H. Witte, M. Becker, S. Mertsch, M. Hasselblatt, C. Klämbt, W. Paulus (Münster) PDGFR signalling in gliomas analyzed using a high-throughput <i>in vivo</i> screen in <i>Drosophila melanogaster</i>
17.30-17.45	<b>S. Delic</b> , N. Schmidt, N. Lottmann, A. Stefanski, K. Stühler, G. Reifenberger, M.J. Riemenschneider (Düsseldorf, Bochum) <i>In vivo</i> and <i>in vitro</i> selection of infiltrating glioma cells: A comprehensive, multi-dimensional molecular analysis of the invasive phenotype of human glioblastomas
17.45-18.00	<b>C. Hartmann</b> , A. von Deimling (Heidelberg) <i>IDH1</i> and <i>IDH2</i> mutations in diffusely infiltrating gliomas: distribution, mutation frequencies and clinical consequences
18.00-18.15	<b>D. Capper</b> , J. Balss, A. Habel, J. Meyer, U. Ackermann, H. Zentgraf, A. von Deimling (Heidelberg) Generation of R132H mutation specific monoclonal <i>IDH1</i> antibody
18.30-20.30	<b>DGNN Business Meeting (Mitgliederversammlung der DGNN)</b>

## Friday, September 18, 2009

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9.00-11.00	<b>Neurooncology (II)</b> <b>Chairs:</b> G. Reifenberger (Düsseldorf), T. Pietsch (Bonn)
9.00-9.30	<b>K. Aldape</b> (Houston) Multigene predictors of patient outcome in glioma
9.30-10.00	<b>R. Stupp</b> (Lausanne) Glioma therapy: beyond standard of care
10.00-10.15	<b>G. Toedt</b> , S. Barbus, M. Wolter, J. Felsberg, M. Hahn, P. Lichter, G. Reifenberger, B. Radlwimmer (Heidelberg, Düsseldorf) Genome-wide genomic and expression profiling of astrocytic gliomas reveals novel pathomechanisms and molecular signatures associated with tumor entity and <i>IDH1</i> gene mutation status
10.15-10.30	<b>A. Elias</b> , M. Siegelin, A. Steinmüller, A. von Deimling, U. Lass, B. Korn, W. Mueller (Heidelberg) Epigenetic silencing of Death Receptor 4 mediates TRAIL-resistance in gliomas
10.30-10.45	<b>C. Mawrin</b> , A. Höfer, E. Kirches (Magdeburg, Jena) Antioxidative defense status and sensitivity to alkylating agents in frataxin-expressing U87 glioma cells

10.45-11.00	<b>F. Giangaspero</b> , V. Esposito, G. C. De Gennaro, S. Casciato, M. Antonelli, G. Perilongo, L. Lauriola (Rome, Padua) Aggressive diffuse gliomas simulating angiocentric glioma
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11.00-11.30 **Coffee break**

11.30-13.00	<b>Neuroimmunology/Neuroinflammation (I)</b> <b>Chairs:</b> M. Deckert (Cologne), A. Pagenstecher (Marburg)
11.30-12.00	<b>W. Brück</b> (Göttingen) Remyelination in multiple sclerosis
12.00-12.30	<b>H. Lassmann</b> (Vienna) Neuromyelitis optica or aquaporin 4 autoimmune encephalomyelitis?
12.30-12.45	<b>N. Zeller</b> , J. Raasch, G. van Loo, D. Merkler, A. Mildner, D. Ery, K.-P. Knobloch, J.R. Bethea, A. Waisman, M. Knust, D. Del Turco, T. Deller, T. Blank, J. Priller, W. Brück, M. Pasparakis, M. Prinz (Freiburg, Monterotondo, Ghent, Göttingen, Miami, Mainz, Frankfurt/Main, Honolulu, Berlin, Cologne) Brain-specific I $\kappa$ B kinase 2 is crucial for demyelination of the CNS but dispensable for myelin formation and repair
12.45-13.00	<b>G.E.M. Althoff</b> , D.P. Wolfer, N. Timmesfeld, B. Kanzler, H. Schrewe, A. Pagenstecher (Marburg, Freiburg, Zurich, Berlin) Long-term, high-dose expression of TIMP1 in the murine CNS confers a physiological phenotype and alleviates the course of EAE in a dose-dependent manner

13.00-14.15 **Lunch**

14.15-15.30	<b>Poster sessions 5 - 8</b> <b>Chairs:</b> M. Bergmann (Bremen), C. Korth (Düsseldorf), K. Kuchelmeister (Bonn), C. Stadelmann-Nessler (Göttingen)
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15.30-16.00 **Coffee break**

16.00 -18.00	<b>Neuroimmunology/Neuroinflammation (II) &amp; Miscellaneous topics (I)</b> <b>Chairs:</b> I. Blümcke (Erlangen), C. Sommer (Mainz)
16.00-16.15	<b>C. Wegner</b> , C. Stadelmann, W. Brück (Göttingen) Therapeutic treatment with Laquinimod reduces inflammation, demyelination and axonal damage in experimental autoimmune encephalomyelitis
16.15-16.30	<b>T. Dallenga</b> , A. Bittner, W. Jäger, P. Vollmar, W.H. Oertel, N. Sommer, J.C. Möller, B. Hemmer, C. Stadelmann, S. Nessler (Göttingen, Marburg, Munich) Increased axonal damage in p75 <sup>NTR</sup> -knockout mice after induction of experimental autoimmune encephalomyelitis by adoptive transfer

16.30-16.45	<b>M.J. Hofer</b> , W. Li, I. L. Campbell (Sydney, Marburg) The type I interferon (IFN)- $\alpha$ mediates a more severe neurological disease in the absence of the canonical signaling molecule interferon regulatory factor (IRF) 9
16.45-17.00	<b>M. Sanchez-Ruiz</b> , L. Wilden, W. Müller, W. Stenzel, A. Brunn, H. Miletic, D. Schlüter, M. Deckert (Cologne, Braunschweig, Manchester, Magdeburg) Molecular mimicry between neurons and an intracerebral pathogen induces a CD8 T cell-mediated autoimmune disease
17.00-17.15	<b>M. Montesinos-Rongen</b> , H. Schwindt, I. Vater, M. Kreuz, A. Brunn, J. Richter, S. Gesk, O. Ammerpohl, M. Maarouf, D. Hasenclever, R. Siebert, M. Deckert (Cologne, Kiel, Leipzig) Chromosomal imbalances and partial uniparental disomies in primary central nervous system lymphoma
17.15-17.30	<b>K. Kobow</b> , I. Fritzsche, M. Njunting, J. Hauke, E. Hahnen, I. Blümcke (Erlangen, Cologne) Promoter methylation and sustained down-regulation of the metabotropic glutamate receptor mGluR2 in an experimental model of temporal lobe epilepsy
17.30-17.45	<b>K. Frauenknecht</b> , P. Bargiotas, H. Bauer, P. von Landenberg, M. Schwaninger, C. Sommer (Mainz, Heidelberg) Paradoxical neuroprotective effect of a pathogenic human monoclonal antiphospholipid antibody after experimental stroke in Fn14 receptor knockout mice
17.45-18.00	<b>F. Lauda</b> , K. Jellinger, J. Attems (Vienna, Newcastle upon Tyne) Different neprilysin expression in vessels of occipital and frontal lobes.

18.15-18.45	<b>Presentation of the Kurt Jellinger Award 2009</b> <b>Chair:</b> W. Paulus (Münster)
18.15-18.45	<b>N. L. Lehman</b> (Detroit) The ubiquitin proteasome system in neuropathology

18.45-19.00	<b>Announcement of the Poster Awards</b>
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20.00	<b>Conference Dinner (Gesellschaftsabend)</b> Traditional Home Brewery "Zum Schlüssel" – Düsseldorf-Altstadt
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## Saturday, September 19, 2009

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9.00-10.30	<b>Miscellaneous topics (II)</b> <b>Chairs:</b> V. Hans (Bielefeld), R. Schober (Leipzig)
9.00-9.15	<b>R. Höftberger</b> , M. Kunze, T. Voigtländer, U. Unterberger, G. Regelsberger, J. Bauer, F. Aboul-Enein, F. Garzuly, S. Forss-Petter, H. Bernheimer, J. Berger, H. Budka (Vienna, Szombathely) Peroxisomal localization of beta-lipotropin and beta-endorphin in ALDP positive cells

9.15-9.30	<b>A. Ronchi</b> , R. Salaroli, V. Marchese, E. Della Bella, C. Ceccarelli, E. Barbieri, F. Giangaspero, G. Cenacchi (Bologna, Rome) The Wnt/beta-catenin pathway in radio-response of medulloblastoma cell lines
9.30-9.45	<b>R. Schober</b> , H. Holland, P. Ahnert, M. Livrea, K.-T. Hoffmann, W. Krupp (Leipzig) Intracranial hemangiopericytoma studied by GTG-banding, M-FISH and SNP-A: Further evidence for a distinct brain tumor entity
9.45-10.00	<b>F. Henke</b> , O. Bannach, D. Riesner, E. Birkmann (Jülich, Düsseldorf) Molecular diagnostics of Creutzfeldt-Jakob disease by single particle counting
10.00-10.15	<b>A. Müller-Schiffmann</b> , M. Michel, J. Muyrers, B. Petsch, L. Stitz, C. Korth (Düsseldorf, Tübingen) A PrP <sup>Sc</sup> -specific peptide for prion diagnostics and therapy
10.15-10.30	<b>J. Bremer</b> , F. Baumann, C. Tiberi, P. Schwarz, C. Wessig, A.D. Steele, K.V. Toyka, K.-A. Nave, J. Weis, A. Aguzzi (Zurich, Würzburg, Pasadena, Göttingen, Aachen) Axonal prion protein is required for peripheral myelin maintenance

10.30-11.00 **Coffee break**

11.00-13.00	<b>Meeting of the DGNN Reference Center for Neuromuscular Diseases (I)</b> <b>Chairs:</b> E. Neuen-Jacob (Düsseldorf), J. Weis (Aachen)
11.00-11.30	<b>J. Weis</b> , M. Krieger, M. Elbracht, V. Guergueltcheva, I. Tournev, A. Urtizbera, S.M. Garvey, H. Feit, J.S. Beckmann, M.A. Hauser, C.E. Jackson, S. Ziertz, M. Deschauer, J. Senderek (Aachen, Sofia, Hendaye, Charlottesville, Detroit, Lausanne, Durham, Temple, Halle/Saale, Zurich) Muscle biopsy findings in a new hereditary distal vacuolar myopathy associated with mutation of the nuclear matrix protein, matrin 3
11.30-11.45	<b>K. W. Nolte</b> , K. Elsner, U. Lieser, N. Merkel, R. Finke, M. Kornhuber, S. Nikolin, D. Wand, R. Haase, J. Weis (Aachen, Halle/Saale) Nerve biopsy findings in PCWH – the severe phenotype of Shah-Waardenburg syndrome due to SOX10 mutation
11.45-12.00	<b>W. Stenzel</b> , S. Prokop, H.-H. Goebel, F.L. Heppner (Berlin, Mainz) Alternative activation of macrophages in neuromuscular sarcoidosis
12.00-12.15	<b>A. Bornemann</b> , H. Wiethölter (Tübingen, Stuttgart) Autosomal-dominant neurogenic atrophy
12.15-12.30	<b>J. Reimann</b> (Bonn) Necrotizing myopathy with acute respiratory insufficiency
12.30-13.00	<b>Presentation of neuromuscular case reports</b>

13.00-14.00 **Lunch**

14.00-15.30	<b>Meeting of the DGNN Reference Center for Neuromuscular Diseases (II)</b> <b>Chairs:</b> A. Bornemann (Tübingen), M. Bergmann (Bremen)
14.00-15.30	<b>Presentation of neuromuscular case reports</b>

15.30 **End of the Meeting**

## Poster Sessions 1-4: Thursday, September 17, 2009, 14.15-15.30

<b>Poster session 1</b>	<b>Neurodegeneration (I)</b> Chair: K. Keyvani (Essen)
P1-1	<b>O. Brener</b> , L. Nagel-Steger, D. Willbold (Düsseldorf, Jülich) Characterization of the interaction of the Alzheimer's disease associated amyloid beta peptide with a phage-display selected D-peptide by density gradient centrifugation
P1-2	<b>S. Hahn</b> , T. Brüning, J. Ness, E. Czirr, B. Bulic, C. U. Pietrzik, S. Weggen (Düsseldorf, Dortmund, Mainz) The potency of g-secretase inhibitors and modulators is diminished by presenilin-1 ( <i>PS1</i> ) and amyloid precursor protein ( <i>APP</i> ) mutations expressed in mouse models of Alzheimer's disease
P1-3	<b>A. Halle</b> , V. Hornung, G. Petzold, B. Monks, E. Latz, D. Golenbock, F.L. Heppner (Berlin, Worcester, Cambridge) Amyloid-beta mediates NALP3 inflammasome activation via phagolysosomal damage
P1-4	<b>A. Herring</b> , L. Lewejohann, A. Donath, N. Sachser, W. Paulus, K. Keyvani (Essen, Münster) Preventive and therapeutic environmental enrichment counteract Abeta pathology by different molecular mechanisms
P1-5	<b>J. Hofrichter</b> , A. Volz, K. Kraft, J. Pahnke (Rostock) Herbal extracts reduce amyloid load by either reducing lower or higher MW Abeta aggregates
P1-6	<b>G. Jedlitschky</b> , L.C. Walker, M. Peters, A. Brenn, H.E. Meyer zu Schwabedissen, H.K. Kroemer, R.W. Warzok, S. Vogelgesang (Greifswald, Atlanta) Breast cancer resistance protein (ABCG2) acts as an active transport protein for amyloid- $\beta$ peptides – identification of a new pathogenic target of Alzheimer's disease
P1-7	<b>C. Lange</b> , M. Krohn, J. Hofrichter, J. Pahnke (Rostock) Changes of Abeta levels in double knockout mice of Neprilysin and ABC-transporters lead to specific behavioral alterations
P1-8	<b>C. Lange-Asschenfeldt</b> , M. Siebler, S.A. Funke, D. Willbold, P. Görtz (Düsseldorf, Essen, Jülich) Effect of sublethal amyloid $\beta$ (1-42) peptide concentrations on spontaneous neuronal network activity <i>in vitro</i>
P1-9	<b>A. Mildner</b> , B. Schlevogt, K. Kierdorf, C. Böttcher, M. Kummer, O. Wirths, M. Henneka, J. Priller, M. Prinz (Freiburg, Göttingen, Berlin, Bonn) Alzheimer's Disease pathology is not sufficient for CCR2 <sup>+</sup> bone marrow engraftment in the CNS
P1-10	<b>A. Müller-Schiffmann</b> , H. Sticht, I. Prikulis, C. Korth (Düsseldorf, Erlangen) Affinity maturation of a single-chain antibody fragment (scFv) against Abeta by rational engineering

<b>Poster session 2</b>	<b>Neurooncology (I)</b> <b>Chair: C. Mawrin (Magdeburg)</b>
P2-1	<b>T. Beez</b> , V. Börger, M. Rapp, R.V. Sorg, M.C. Sabel (Düsseldorf) Immunological markers of anti-glioma immune response generated in vivo by dendritic cell immunotherapy
P2-2	<b>C. Berthold</b> , D. Hinkerohe, A. Haghikia, A. Schöbel, E. Zülw, H. Dambach, U. Schlegel, P.M. Faustmann (Bochum) Antagonism of TGF-beta1 enhances gap junctional coupling in glioma cells <i>in vitro</i>
P2-3	<b>H. Dambach</b> , D. Hinkerohe, A. Haghikia, C. Berthold, E. Zülw, A. Schöbel, U. Schlegel, Pedro M. Faustmann (Bochum) Dexamethasone reduces functional intercellular coupling in F98, C6 and U87 glioma cell-lines and increases tgf-beta1 production
P2-4	<b>A. Dreier</b> , A. Krüttgen, J. Weis (Aachen) Influence of Cetuximab on the activation, signalling, and endocytosis of EGFR and its tumour-specific splice variant EGFRvIII
P2-5	<b>A. Ernst</b> , B. Campos, F. Liesenberg, M. Wolter, G. Reifenberger, P. Lichter, C. Herold-Mende, B. Radlwimmer (Heidelberg, Düsseldorf) The miR-17-92 cluster in retinoic acid-treated human glioma spheroid cultures
P2-6	<b>K. Geiger</b> , K. Conseur, J. Felsberg, G. Reifenberger, T. Pietsch, C. Hagel, G. Schackert, A. Temme (Dresden, Düsseldorf, Bonn, Hamburg) Aurora B correlates with malignancy in gliomas but is associated with p53 overexpression in giant cell glioblastoma
P2-7	<b>P. Harter</b> , J. Gerstein, C. Rödel, KH. Plate, F. Rödel, M. Mittelbronn (Frankfurt/Main) Nuclear shifting and expression of survivin is positively associated with the grade of malignancy and negatively with patient survival in human astrocytomas
P2-8	<b>F. Liesenberg</b> , M. Wolter, M. Zapatka, B.Brors, G. Reifenberger (Düsseldorf, Heidelberg) Expression profiling of microRNAs in astrocytic and oligodendroglial gliomas using TaqMan Low Density Arrays
P2-9	<b>J. Meyer</b> , S. Pusch, J. Balss, D. Capper, W. Müller, A. Christians, C. Hartmann, A. von Deimling (Heidelberg) PCR and restriction endonuclease-based detection of <i>IDH1</i> mutations
P2-10	<b>J. Ness</b> , M.J. Riemenschneider, S. Baches, S. Barbus, M. Hahn, P. Lichter, J.L. Eriksen, C.U. Pietrzik, G. Reifenberger, S. Weggen (Düsseldorf, Heidelberg, Houston, Mainz) Human gliomas display elevated expression of progranulin (GRN), a protein mutated in frontotemporal dementia with ubiquitin-positive inclusions (FTLD-U)
P2-11	<b>A. Waha</b> , J. Felsberg, W. Hartmann, A. von dem Knesebeck, T. Mikeska, Stefan Joos, M. Wolter, A. Koch, P. S. Yan, E. Endl, O. D. Wiestler, G. Reifenberger, T. Pietsch, A. Waha (Bonn, Düsseldorf, Heidelberg, Columbus) <i>DUSP4</i> is epigenetically regulated and acts as a growth suppressor in gliomas
P2-12	<b>M. Reis</b> , C.J. Czupalla, S. Thom, K. H. Plate, S. Liebner (Frankfurt/Main) Wnt signaling modulates vascularization and vessel permeability in gliomas

<b>Poster session 3</b>	<b>Neurooncology (II)</b> <b>Chair: J. Schlegel (Munich)</b>
P3-1	<b>D. Barski</b> , M. Wolter, G. Reifenberger, M.J. Riemenschneider (Düsseldorf) Promoter methylation and transcriptional downregulation of the <i>TIMP3</i> gene is associated with allelic loss on 22q12.3 and malignancy in meningiomas
P3-2	<b>Y.-J. Kim</b> , M. Klotz, A. Tholey, W. Henn, K.-H. Schäfer, W. Feiden (Homburg, Zweibrücken, Kiel) Comparative proteome analyses of meningiomas of different grades in the identification of progression associated proteins
P3-3	<b>C. Bernreuther</b> , N. Wiesnagrotzki, M. Glatzel, C. Hagel (Hamburg) Co-localization of GFAP and cytokeratin in pituitary adenoma
P3-4	<b>A. Hölsken</b> , M. Buchfelder, R. Fahlbusch, I. Blümcke, R. Buslei (Erlangen, Hannover) Experimental modulation of the canonical Wnt-signalling pathway in primary cell cultures of craniopharyngiomas
P3-5	<b>S. Purucker</b> , A. Hölsken, M. Buchfelder, R. Fahlbusch, V. Hans, F. Oppel, I. Blümcke, R. Buslei (Erlangen, Hannover, Bielefeld) A tumor-specific cellular environment at the brain invasion border of craniopharyngiomas
P3-6	<b>R. Beschoner</b> , T. Psaras, R. Meyermann, J. Bremer, M. Mittelbronn, J. Schittenhelm (Tübingen, Zurich, Frankfurt/Main) EpoR expression in choroid plexus tumors
P3-7	<b>Ö. Bolat</b> , P. Zipper, M. Wolter, B. Korn, G. Reifenberger (Düsseldorf, Heidelberg) Characterization of differential microRNA expression in medulloblastoma
P3-8	<b>W. Hartmann</b> , J. Kuchler, A. Waha, A. Koch, E. Endl, P. Wurst, T. Mikeska, A. Waha, C. G. Goodyer, R. Büttner, K. Schilling, T. Pietsch (Bonn, Montreal) p75 <sup>NTR</sup> induces apoptosis in medulloblastoma cells
P3-9	<b>K. Kuteykin-Teplyakov</b> , J. Pöschl, J. Herms, H. A. Kretzschmar, U. Schüller (Munich) KOX 15 controls proliferation of medulloblastoma cells and predicts patients' survival
P3-10	<b>T. Pietsch</b> , D. Denkhaus, F. Berthold, S. Rutkowski (Bonn, Cologne, Hamburg) Logistics of the German pediatric brain tumor repository and its role in future therapeutic stratification of pediatric brain tumor patients according to their biological risk profile
P3-11	<b>B. Koos</b> , A. Jeibmann, S. Mertsch, H. Lünenbürger, N. Nupponen, I. Leuschner, C. Vokuhl, M. Frühwald, W. Paulus, M. Hasselblatt (Münster, Helsinki, Kiel) Expression and functional role of tyrosine kinase receptors in atypical teratoid/rhabdoid tumors and extracranial malignant rhabdoid tumors
P3-12	<b>P. Zipper</b> , D. Haag, J. Reifenberger, D. Karra, V. Schmiemann, M. Hahn, P. Lichter, G. Reifenberger (Düsseldorf, Heidelberg) Molecular and functional studies on the development of basal cell carcinoma and medulloblastoma in patched haploinsufficient ( <i>Ptch1</i> <sup>+/-</sup> ) mice

<b>Poster session 4</b>	<b>Stem cells &amp; Miscellaneous topics</b> Chairs: A. Becker (Bonn)
P4-1	<b>J. Gerardo-Nava</b> , G. Cocks, J. Price, T. Grehl, J. Weis, H.W.M Steinbusch, G.A. Brook (Aachen, London, Bochum, Maastricht) Generation of highly enriched populations of immature astrocytes from human foetal neural progenitors
P4-2	<b>A. Kraft</b> , J. Macas, R. Glass, M. Synowitz, K. Plate, S Momma (Frankfurt/Main, Berlin) Interaction of adult human neural stem or progenitor cells and glioblastoma <i>in vitro</i>
P4-3	<b>K. Oesterwind</b> , C. Nern, I. Wolff, J. Macas, J. von Randow, C. Scharenberg, D. Del Turco, T. Deller, K. Plate, J. Priller, S. Momma (Frankfurt/Main, Stockholm, Berlin) Fusion of hematopoietic cells with Purkinje neurons does not lead to stable heterokaryon formation under noninvasive conditions
P4-4	<b>M. Peitz</b> , M. Brandt, J. Jungverdorben, S. Chichon, O. Brüstle (Bonn) SNP analysis of human iPS cells
P4-5	<b>T. Schumacher</b> , J. Pahnke (Rostock) Transient ABC transporter expression during neurogenesis – Cause or effect of stem cell differentiation?
P4-6	<b>J.A. Steinbeck</b> , J. Ladewig, P. Koch, O. Brüstle (Bonn) Migration and axonal integration of grafted human ES cell-derived neurons
P4-7	<b>G.D.Eom</b> , I. Papageorgiou, R.E. Kälin, S. Prokop, O.Kann, F.L.Heppner (Berlin) Functional characterization of neuronal electrophysiological properties upon <i>in vivo</i> microglial ablation
P4-8	<b>E. Zülow</b> , D. Hinkerohe, N. Prochnow, A. Schöbel, C. Berthold, H. Dambach, A. Haghikia, U. Schlegel, P.M. Faustmann (Bochum) Effects of activated microglia on neurons and astrocytes – analyses on a triple-coculture-model
P4-9	<b>S. Theis</b> , K. Frauenknecht, H. Bauer, A. Katzav, P. von Landenberg, C. Sommer (Mainz, Tel Hashomer) Effects of glutamate and a pathogenic human monoclonal antiphospholipid antibody on cultured primary murine microglia
P4-10	<b>M. Krohn</b> , T. Schöppe, A. Schmidt, B. Pützer, J. Pahnke (Rostock) Pseudotyped adenoviruses mediate gene transfer for specific intracerebral and intramuscular exon-skipping constructs

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<b>Poster session 5</b>	<b>Neurodegeneration (II)</b> Chair: C. Korth (Düsseldorf)
P5-1	<b>S. Prokop</b> , R. Kälin, S. Grathwohl, M. Jucker, F.L. Heppner (Berlin, Tübingen) Lessons from ablating microglia: Alzheimer's disease
P5-2	<b>K. Scheffler</b> , A. Schade, J. Pahnke (Rostock) Alterations in mitochondrial DNA are sufficient to influence Abeta levels - A study in new AD mouse models
P5-3	<b>J. Stenzel</b> , K. Scheffler, J. Pahnke (Rostock) Analysis of microglia in the vicinity of amyloid plaques reveals the formation of two distinct plaque populations
P5-4	<b>P. Zißmann</b> , S.A. Funke, S. Grabowski, L. Wang, E. Birkmann, C. Seidel, D. Willbold (Düsseldorf, Jülich) Analyzing A $\beta$ aggregates with high resolution microscopy
P5-5	<b>M. Baier</b> , C. Riemer, R. Schliebs (Berlin, Leipzig) Prion infection of mice transgenic for human APP
P5-6	<b>L. Lüers</b> , G. Panza, D. Riesner, E. Birkmann (Düsseldorf, Jülich) Misfolding and fibrillisation of the human prion protein
P5-7	<b>M. Michel</b> , S.R. Leliveld, P. Hendriks, G. Sajjani, V. Bader, S. Trossbach, I. Prikulis, J.R. Requena, C. Korth (Düsseldorf, Santiago de Compostela) Disease-associated polymorphism S/C704 influence oligomerization of C-terminal Disrupted-in-schizophrenia-1 (DISC1)
P5-8	<b>M. Minnerop</b> , J.C. Schöne-Bake, S. Röske, U. Wüllner, M. Abele, K. Amunts, M. Tittgemeyer, B. Weber, T. Klockgether (Jülich, Bonn, Aachen, Cologne) In vivo detection of neuropathological differences between multiple system atrophy (MSA) and sporadic adult onset ataxias of unknown aetiology (SAOA) using MR-morphometry
P5-9	<b>A.-M. Florea</b> , P. Zipper, J. Reifenberger, G. Reifenberger (Düsseldorf) A study of aging-associated gene expression changes in the murine brain
P5-10	<b>A. Pluskota</b> , M. Chen A. von Mikecz (Düsseldorf) Nanoparticles induce age-related neuronal phenotypes in cell culture and <i>Caenorhabditis elegans</i>

<b>Poster session 6</b>	<b>Neurooncology (III)</b> Chair: K. Kuchelmeister (Bonn)
P6-1	<b>D. Schiffer</b> , V. Caldera, M. Mellai, L. Annovazzi (Turin) On the identification in vivo of cell stemness in gliomas
P6-2	<b>J. Schittenhelm</b> , K. Trautmann, G. Tabatabai, C. Hermann, R. Meyermann, R. Beschoner (Tübingen, Zurich) Annexin-1 expression in gliomas is altered with grade of malignancy but shows no association with survival
P6-3	<b>N. Schmidt</b> , G. Reifenberger, M.J. Riemenschneider (Düsseldorf) Promoter hypermethylation contributes to the frequent transcriptional downregulation of the tumor suppressor candidate gene <i>RRP22</i> on 22q12.2 in human gliomas.

P6-4	<b>V. Vladimirova</b> , T. Mikeska, A.Waha, N. Soerensen, J. Xu, C.P. Reynolds, T. Pietsch (Bonn, Würzburg, Los Angeles, Melbourne) The novel homeobox gene <i>LHX9</i> is frequently methylated in malignant gliomas of childhood and modulates the migratory potential of glioma cells
P6-5	<b>K. Weber</b> , L. Rütger, C. Collet, W. Paulus, V. Senner (Münster) SOX2 promotes proliferation and inhibits migration in U373MG glioma cells
P6-6	<b>M. Wolter</b> , F. Liesenberg, G. Reifenberger (Düsseldorf) Molecular and functional characterization of the microRNA hsa-miR-330 in human gliomas
P6-7	<b>J. Zietsch</b> , N. Ziegenhagen, V.-F. Mautner, F. Heppner, A. von Deimling, N. Holtkamp (Berlin, Hamburg, Heidelberg) Genetic alterations and expression of receptor tyrosine kinases in malignant peripheral nerve sheath tumors and implications for targeted therapy
P6-8	<b>A.C. Stan</b> , C. Mallig, C. Puff, R. Ulrich (Bielefeld, Hannover) A desmoplastic ganglioglioma of the spinal cord in an European hedgehog ( <i>Erinaceus europaeus</i> )
P6-9	<b>G. Pantazis</b> , A. Melms, T. Psaras, K. Krope, F. Fend, T. Bock, J. Schittenhelm, R. Meyermann, A. Bornemann (Tübingen) Cerebral lymphoma with light chain deposition disease (LCDD) with exceedingly high IgG levels in the cerebrospinal fluid
P6-10	<b>M.A. Kamp</b> , P. Grosser, J. Felsberg, P. Slotty, W. Stummer, G. Reifenberger, H.-J. Steiger HJ, M. C. Sabel (Düsseldorf) Fluorescence-guided resection of cerebral metastasis: Surgical and histopathological results
P6-11	<b>A.-M. Florea</b> , D. Günes, D. Büsselberg (Essen, Düsseldorf, El Paso) Combinations of anticancer drugs arsenic trioxide and cisplatin on human SY-5Y neuroblastoma cells showed enhanced effects on calcium signalling and cytotoxicity.

<b>Poster session 7</b>	<b>Neuroimmunology/Neuroinflammation</b> <b>Chairs:</b> C. Stadelmann-Nessler (Göttingen)
P7-1	<b>L. Bernhardt</b> , G. Stoltenburg-Didinger (Münster, Berlin) Neuronal loss in spinal multiple sclerosis
P7-2	<b>F. Hansmann</b> , R. Ulrich, V. Herder, W. Baumgärtner (Hannover) In vivo demonstration of matrix metalloproteinase-3, -9 and -12 mediated demyelination
P7-3	<b>V. Herder</b> , F. Hansmann, M. Stangel, W. Baumgärtner, A. Beineke (Hannover) Cuprizone ameliorates spinal cord inflammation in a viral model of multiple sclerosis
P7-4	<b>F. B. König</b> , A. Löscher, I. Metz, S. Müller, C. F. Lucchinetti, W. Brück (Göttingen, Berlin, Rochester) Astroglia pathology in early multiple sclerosis
P7-5	<b>A. Lürbke</b> , A. R. Hesse, G. Salinas-Riester, T. Kuhlmann (Münster, Göttingen) The functional role of Puma and Noxa in oligodendroglial cell death
P7-6	<b>H. Poeck</b> , A. Dann, U. Kalinke, G. Hartmann, M. Prinz (Bonn, Freiburg, Munich, Langen) Engagement of RIG-I and MDA-5 ameliorates autoimmune inflammation by IFN-I-mediated suppression of the Th17 immune response

P7-7	<b>A. Schöbel</b> , D. Hinkerohe, A. Haghikia, C. Berthold, E. Zülow, H. Dambach, U. Schlegel, P.M. Faustmann (Bochum) Influence of dexamethasone on LPS induced inflammation in rat glial cocultures <i>in vitro</i>
P7-8	<b>M. Stettner</b> , T. Dehmel, A. Köhne, B.C. Kieseier (Düsseldorf) The effect of valproic acid on myelination
P7-9	<b>R. Ulrich</b> , A. Kalkuhl, U. Deschl, W. Baumgärtner (Hannover, Biberach) Reverse engineering of microarray data predicts a role for STAT-6 signaling in the pathogenesis of demyelination in Theiler's murine encephalomyelitis
P7-10	<b>C. Wrzos</b> , J. Bennett, W. Brück, S. Nessler, C. Stadelmann (Göttingen) Selective astrocyte depletion in the mouse brain
P7-11	<b>G. Meyer zu Hörste</b> , H. El-Haddad, A.K. Mausberg, H.-P. Hartung, S. Martin B.C. Kieseier (Düsseldorf) Spontaneous demyelinating autoimmune neuropathy in ICAM-1 deficient NOD mice

<b>Poster session 8</b>	<b>Miscellaneous topics</b> <b>Chair: M. Bergmann (Bremen)</b>
P8-1	<b>H. Dörr</b> , K. Diederich, W.-R. Schäbitz, C. Sommer (Mainz, Münster) G-CSF deficiency in mice induces modifications of the subunit composition of hippocampal glutamate receptors
P8-2	<b>C. Kehl</b> , A. E. Rduch, C.R. Rose, W. K. Kafitz (Düsseldorf) Differential response of astroglia to mechanically and ATP-induced injury of the mouse hippocampal CA1 region
P8-3	<b>H. D. Müller</b> , A. Thomé, H. Weiler, H. Bauer, C. Sommer (Mainz) Reduction of GABA <sub>A</sub> receptor associated protein (GABARAP) expression precedes delayed neuronal death of hippocampal CA1 neurons after global cerebral ischemia in the gerbil brain
P8-4	<b>J. Pitsch</b> , K. van Loo, T. Opitz, M. Staniek, K. P. Campbell, S. Schoch, Y. Yaari, H. Beck, A. J. Becker (Bonn, Iowa, Jerusalem) Functional consequences of transcriptional upregulation of Cav3.2 in epileptogenesis
P8-5	<b>A.-M. Florea</b> , D. Büsselberg (Essen, Düsseldorf, El Paso) Low concentrations of arsenic trioxide trigger calcium signalling "in vitro"
P8-6	<b>R. Klein</b> , F. Götz, D. Günther (Hannover) Fatal rupture of the vertebral artery during balloon angioplasty for cerebral vasospasm
P8-7	<b>H.H. Goebel</b> , M. Jaynes, L. Gutmann, S. Schochet, D.E. Sleat, K.B. Sims (Mainz, Morgantown, Piscataway, Boston) Adult neuronal ceroid-lipofuscinosis – the genetic spectrum is enlarging
P8-8	<b>K. W. Nolte</b> , M. Kronenbuerger, J. M. Burgunder, V. Coenen, J. K. Krauss, J. Weis (Aachen, Bern, Bonn, Hannover) Brain tissue changes following deep brain stimulation
P8-9	<b>S. Flohr</b> , G. R. Fink, P. H. Weiss-Blankenhorn, J. Weis, A. Krüttgen (Aachen, Cologne, Jülich) Analysis of the functional consequences of the TrkA R780P mutation causing the hereditary polyneuropathy HSAN IV/CIPA
P8-10	<b>K. Müller</b> , U. Drott, K.H. Plate, M. Mittelbronn (Frankfurt/Main) Myofibrillar alterations in non-myofibrillar myopathies