



Events

Congresses, Symposia, Lectures, Education Courses

SCS CONFERENCES AND SYMPOSIA

Swiss Snow Symposium 2025



January 16–18, 2025, Saas-Almagell
The youngSCS happily welcomes you again in Saas-Almagell for the 22nd edition to share your passion for chemistry, connect with one another and be inspired by renowned researchers and industrial partners.

Join us at the Hotel Kristall Saphir Superior for 3 days of lectures, short talks and posters as well as get-togethers at the hotel bar and snow activities such as skiing, sledging and snow shoeing on the slopes of the Almagellerhorn.

Invited Speakers

Prof. Michel Rickhaus, University of Geneva
Prof. Patrick Steinegger, ETH Zurich
Prof. Nako Nakatsuka, EPFL
Justine Charmillot, Bloom Biorenewables

Workshop Chairs

Dr. Cédric Invernizzi, Spiez Laboratory
Marton Kottmayer, EuChemS

Organizing Committee

Helena Solé, Marta Oggioni, Patrick Fritz, Konstantina Armandou, Tara Forrest, Gaetano Geraci, Marie-Désirée Schlemper-Scheidt

Website:

<https://sss25.scg.ch>

5th Swiss Industrial Chemistry Symposium, SICS 2025



January 31, 2025, Biozentrum, University of Basel

The SICS is a one-day symposium with lectures and short talks offering a unique platform for industrial scientists, working in research and process research, to present their latest results. The event will be completed with a poster session. PhD students are invited to

present their research.

Programm

08.30 Registration and welcome coffee
09.00 Welcome and opening
09.15 SCS Senior Industrial Science Award Lecture 2024
Dr. Michel Muehlebach, Syngenta
«Ambimobile Aryldiones in Crop Protection: Chemistry for Grass Weed Management and Control of Sucking

Insects and Mites»
09.45 Dr. Andrea Vaupel and Dr. Navid Dastbaravardeh, Novartis
«JDQ443 – a Structurally Novel Covalent Inhibitor of KRASG12C for the Treatment of Solid Tumors»
10.15 Coffee break
10.45 Dr. Loïc Roch, Atinary
«Turbocharge R&D with SDLabs and Bayesian Optimization»
11.00 Dr. Emad El-Sayed, Carbogen-Amcis
«From Catastrophe to Success»
11.15 Dr. Felix Bobbink, Plastogaz
«Scaling-up a hydrogen-assisted plastic waste depolymerization technology»
11.30 Dr. Quentin Lefebvre, SpiroChem
«Accessing new sp³-rich chemical space in medicinal chemistry using enabling technologies»
11.45 Dr. Lucia Sodo Rillo, Helsinn
«Safety considerations when developing highly active compounds – case study»
12.00 Lunch and poster session
14.00 Dr. Patrizio Mattei and Dr. Ernesto Santandrea, Roche
«Discovery and process development of the new Antibiotic Zosurabalpin»
14.30 Dr. Olivier Loiseleur and Dr. Raphael Dumeunier, Syngenta Crop Protection
«TYMIRIUM® technology: The discovery of cyclobutylfluram»
15.00 Dr. Terraneo Alberto, Cerbios
«Critical Material Attributes in the Antibody Drug Conjugates Production Processes»
15.15 Coffee break
15.45 Dr. Fabrice Robvieux, dsm-firmenich
«Development of New Perfumery Ingredients»
16.15 Dr. Ulrich Mayerhoffer, Arxada
«Turning Net-Zero Into Reality – Arxada's chemical network as key to unlock sustainable chemistry»
16.45 Prof. Stefanie Hellweg, ETH Zurich
«Exploring the Future Environmental Impact of Chemical Production»
17.15 Ceremony Best Poster Awards
17.30 Aperitif and networking

Organizing Committee

Dr. Stefan Hildbrand, F. Hoffmann-La Roche AG, Chair
Prof. Christof Sparr, University of Basel
Dr. Hayley Binch, F. Hoffmann-La Roche AG
Dr. Fabrice Gallou, Novartis Pharma AG
Dr. Sarah Sulzer-Mossé, Syngenta Crop Protection AG
Dr. René Wyler, Novartis Pharma AG
Dr. Stefan Abele, Pharvaris

Website:

<https://sics25.scg.ch>

DMCCB Basel Symposium 2025



February 6, 2025, Biozentrum, University of Basel

This one-day symposium, organized by the Swiss Chemical Society, Division Medicinal Chemistry and Chemical Biology, is dedicated to the theme «Strategies for Addressing Challenging Targets».

As the scientific community pushes the boundaries of drug discovery, certain biological targets remain notoriously difficult to tackle. Whether due to their structural complexity, dynamic nature, or elusive biochemical mechanisms, these challenging targets demand innovative approaches.

The DMCCB Basel Symposium 2025 will bring together leading experts to explore cutting-edge strategies for overcoming these hurdles in drug discovery.

Organizing Committee

Dr. Christoph Sager, leadXpro, Chair
Prof. Nina Hartrampf, University of Zurich
Prof. Dennis Gillingham, University of Basel
Dr. Fides Benfatti, Syngenta Crop Protection

Website:

<https://dmccb25.scg.ch>

CHanalysis 2025



March 19–20, 2025, Dorint Resort Blüemlisalp, Beatenberg

The Division Analytical Sciences (DAS) of the Swiss Chemical Society (SCS) is organizing CHanalysis, a meeting of Swiss analytical scientists on a yearly basis.

The goal of this two-day conference series is to stimulate a stronger interaction among persons working in different areas of analytical sciences. Scientists from applied and fundamental research, from industry, education, and regulation are welcome.

The program includes

- Invited Lecture: Prof. William Tong, San Diego State University
- METAS Award Winner 2025
- Simon-Widmer Award Winner 2025
- Talks from our event partners
- 12 contributed talks from PhD/Postdocs
- Poster pitches and a poster session
- Panel discussion
- Conference dinner

Organizing Committee

Dr. Davide Bleiner, Empa Dübendorf
Dr. Hanspeter Andres, METAS, Bern
Dr. Christoph Meyer, Lonza

Deadlines

31.01.25 Abstract submission deadline
07.02.25 Notification of acceptance (presenters)
16.02.25 Registration deadline

Website:

<https://cha25.scg.ch>

17th Freiburger Symposium 2025



April 3–4, 2025, School of Engineering and Architecture of Fribourg

The objective of this biennial conference is to regularly provide our members and other interested chemists working in process development and production with opportunities for professional training and networking. The symposium also offers an excellent platform to exchange research results in form of posters.

Organizing Committee

Dr. Roger Marti, HEIA Fribourg
Dr. Urban Jenelten, dsm-firmenich, Geneva
Dr. Maurus Marty, dsm-firmenich, Kaiseraugst

Deadlines

15.02.25 Abstract submission deadline for a poster presentation
01.03.25 Notification of acceptance (presenters)
01.03.25 Registration deadline

Website:

<https://fs25.scg.ch>

SCS Spring Meeting 2025, «Electrocatalysis: Current Challenges and Future Perspectives»



April 24, 2025, University of Bern

The SCS Spring Meeting is a one day symposium that provides a high-quality program with national and international speakers of a certain topic. The topic of the 2025 symposium is «Electrocatalysis: Current Challenges and Future Perspectives». For the first time at an SCS Spring Meeting, we are offering the opportunity to present posters during the lunch break.

Also in the lunch break the SCS General Assembly 2024 will take place.

Confirmed Speakers

Prof. Jan Rossmeisl, University of Copenhagen, Denmark
Prof. Rafaella Buonsanti, EPFL Lausanne
Dr. Emiliana Fabbri, Paul Scherrer Institut PSI, Villigen
Prof. Robert Francke, Leibniz-Institut für Katalyse, Germany
Prof. Yogesh Surendranath, MIT, USA
Prof. Peter Strasser, TU Berlin, Germany

Organizers

Prof. Matthias Arenz, University of Bern
Prof. Peter Brockmann, University of Bern

Deadlines

23.03.25 Abstract submission deadline
18.04.25 Registration deadline

Website:

<https://sm25.scg.ch>

58th Bürgenstock Conference 2025



May 4–8, 2025, Brunnen

The ‘SCS Conference on Stereochemistry’, better known as ‘Bürgenstock Conference’, is an outstanding international chemistry meeting of high scientific quality, with an optimal setting for intense inter-disciplinary discussion. Stereochemistry is the principle underlying our understanding of the processes of

life and the properties of matter at the molecular level. It is a key element not only in all chemical disciplines, but also in modern molecular biology, molecular medicine, biophysics, and material design. Accordingly, the ‘Bürgenstock Conference’ has grown over the years into a multi-disciplinary conference where frontier science is being discussed. Lectures cover many areas of chemistry and relevant highlights from neighboring disciplines.

Registration for the conference is by invitation only. If you would like to attend the 2025 edition, please contact a member of the organizing committee.

Organizing Committee

Prof. Rebecca Buller, ZHAW Wädenswil
 Prof. Karl Gademann, University of Zurich
 Dr. Fabrice Gallou, Novartis Pharma AG
 Prof. Francesca Paradisi, University of Bern
 Dr. Lionel Saudan, dsm-firmenich
 Prof. Jérôme Waser, EPFL Lausanne

Website:

<https://bc25.scg.ch>

Non-SCS CONFERENCES IN SWITZERLAND, SCS SUPPORTED EVENTS ABROAD

Biotechnet Meet-Up 2025: Biotech and Aging

January 28, 2025, 13.00–18.00h, Google Switzerland, Zürich
 Biotechnet Switzerland’s Meet-Up 2025 will shed light on the different aspects in which biotechnology is or should be active in the realm of aging.

Is “aging” a disease? The question has various ethical and philosophical components. From a scientific point of view, medicine can help enable healthy aging and possibly, a longer life.

Program highlights

Website: <https://biotechnet.ch/events/>

2nd EFMC International Symposium on Chemical Biology (EFMC-ISCB)

January 29, 2025, University of Basel

EFMC and the DMCCB will organize the International Symposium on Chemical Biology (EFMC-ISCB) on January 29–31, 2025 in Basel, Switzerland. The symposium will be co-chaired by Uwe Grether (Roche) and Claudia Höbartner (Uni Würzburg). The programme will include plenary and invited lectures, short communications selected from submitted abstracts, a poster session, and a commercial exhibition - with ample time for discussion and networking.

Website: <https://www.efmc-iscb.org>

Rigi Workshop 2025: Microbiome Meets Metabolism: Linking microbial biotransformations of chemicals to human and environmental health

February 2–4, 2025, Rigi-Kulm Hotel

This 3-days interdisciplinary workshop will allow you to discuss the transformative power of microbiomes in shaping chemical structures and functions, vital for human and environmental well-being.

Website: <https://biol.scnat.ch/rigiworkshop25>

LS² Annual Meeting 2025

February 13, 2025, University of Fribourg

The LS² Annual Meeting brings together scientists from all nations and backgrounds to explore the large spectrum united under the umbrella of Life Sciences. The Topic of the 2025 edition is “The Complexity of Life: From Molecular Assemblies to Networks”.

Website: <https://annual-meeting.ls2.ch/2025>

ANAKON 2025

March 10–13, 2025, University of Leipzig

As the most important joint conference of German, Austrian and Swiss analytical chemistry, ANAKON offers a forum for new scientific content, the presentation of novel equipment and methods and, in particular, for direct dialogue between scientists!

Website: <https://veranstaltungen.gdch.de>

Swiss Biotech Day 2025

May 5, 2025, Congress Center Basel

The Swiss Biotech Day will again offer high-level experts from the life sciences industry the space and the time (one and a half days) to network, discuss and discover trends in R&D, manufacturing, data management, artificial intelligence and innovative financing.

Website: <https://swissbiotechday.ch/>

LECTURESHIP AWARDS

SCS Lectureship Awards 2025

Prof. Tehshik Yoon, University of Wisconsin-Madison, USA

Tour dates: May 19–23, 2025

Tour organizer: Prof. Olivier Baudoin, University of Basel

Prof. Yamuna Krishnan, University of Chicago, USA

Tour dates: June 16–26, 2025

Tour organizer: Prof. Beat Fierz, EPFL Lausanne

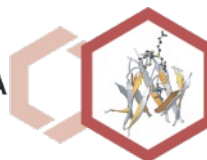
Prof. Laura Kiessling, MIT, Cambridge, USA

Tour organizer: Prof. Nina Hartrampf, University of Zürich

Prof. Anat Milo, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev, ISR

Tour organizer: Prof. Jérôme Lacour, University of Geneva

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<https://scg.ch/lectures>