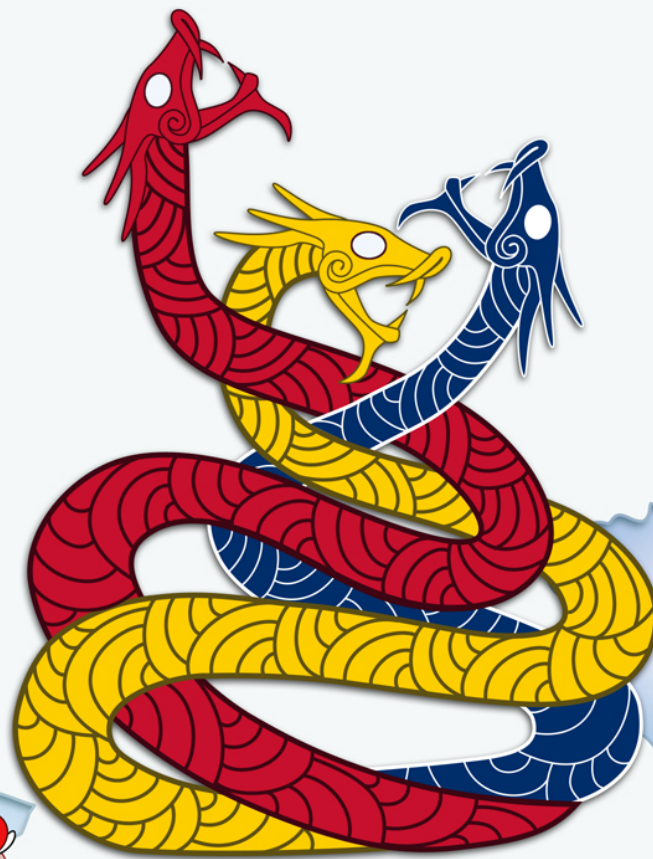


# Matrix Nexus

The Extracellular Matrix

From Molecular Foundations To Life



*Freiburg, March 26-28, 2025*

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## **The German-Nordic Joint ECM Meeting**

**Organizing committee:** Priscilla Briquez, Raphael Reuten, Alexander Nyström, Christine Chuang, Chloé Yeung, Arne Östman, Valerio Izzi, Fransiska Malfait, Delfien Syx from the German, Danish and Finnish National Societies for Matrix Biology, with contributions from Belgium and Sweden

**Venue:** Otto-Krayer Haus, Albertstrasse 25, Freiburg, Germany

**Dates:** Wednesday 26th March 2025 - Friday 28th March 2025

### **Day 1: Wednesday, March 26<sup>th</sup> 2025**

12:00 – 18:00 Arrival and registration

13:50 – 14:00 Welcome address

#### **Session 1: Collagens**

**Chairs:** TBD

14:00 – 14:25 [Michael Kjaer](#) (University of Copenhagen, Denmark)

14:25 – 14:40 Selected from abstracts

14:40 – 14:55 Selected from abstracts

14:55 – 15:10 Selected from abstracts

15:10 – 15:35 [Federica Genovese](#) (Nordic Bioscience, Denmark)

**15:35 – 16:05 Coffee break**

#### **Session 2: Proteoglycans**

**Chairs:** Martin Götte (University of Münster, Germany) and Christine Chuang (University of Copenhagen, Denmark)

15:30 – 15:55 [Catherine Bui](#) (University of Lorraine, Nancy, France)

15:55 – 16:10 Selected from abstracts

16:10 – 16:35 [Rebecca Miller](#) (University of Copenhagen, Denmark)

16:35 – 16:55 Selected from abstracts

16:55 – 17:10 Selected from abstracts

17:10 – 17:25 Selected from abstracts

17:25 – 17:40 Selected from abstracts

**17:40 – 19:00 Poster session I**

**19:00 Welcome reception**

**Day 2: Thursday, March 27<sup>th</sup> 2025**

**Session 3: Proteases**

**Chairs:** TBD

08:15 – 08:40 [Irit Sagi](#) (Weizmann Institute of Science, Rehovot, Israel)

08:40 – 08:55 Selected from abstracts

08:55 – 09:10 Selected from abstracts

09:10 – 09:35 [Christoph Becker-Pauly](#) (University of Kiel, Germany)

09:35 – 10:00 [Alexander Eckersley](#) (University of Manchester, UK)

**10:00 – 10:25 Coffee break**

**Session 4: Bioengineering and Materials**

**Chairs:** TBD (Senior + Junior)

10:25 – 10:50 [Jeffrey Hubbell](#) (University of Chicago, USA)

10:50 – 11:05 Selected from abstracts

11:05 – 11:20 Selected from abstracts

12:00 – 12:25 [Martin Ehrbar](#) (University Hospital Zurich, Switzerland)

12:25 – 12:40 Selected from abstracts

**12:40 – 14:00 Lunch break**

**Session 5: Early Career Researchers**

**Chairs:** Delfien Syx (Ghent University, Belgium) and XXX

14:00 – 14:25 [Aude Beyens](#) (Ghent University, Belgium)

14:25 – 14:40 Selected from abstracts

14:40 – 15:05 [Egor Dzyubenko](#) (University of Essen, Germany)

15:05 – 15:20 Selected from abstracts

15:20 – 15:35 [Eva Rog-Zielinska](#) (University of Freiburg, Germany)

15:35 – 15:50 Selected from abstracts

**15:50 – 16:10 Coffee break**

**Session 6: ECM diseases I**

**Chairs:** TBD

16:10 – 16:35 [Fatima Mechta-Grigoriou](#) (Curie Institute, France)

16:35 – 16:50 Selected from abstracts

16:50 – 17:15 [Alexander Pietras](#) (Lund University, Sweden)

17:15 – 17:30 Selected from abstracts

17:30 – 17:45 Selected from abstracts

**17:45 – 19:15 Poster session II**

**19:15 – 20:00 Business meeting (DGMB, other societies)**

**20:00 Conference Dinner**

**Day 3: Friday, March 28<sup>th</sup> 2025**

**Session 7: ECM diseases II**

Chairs: TBD (Senior + Junior)

09:00 – 09:25 [Patrick Mehlen](#) (Synergie Lyon Cancer Foundation, France)

09:25 – 09:40 Selected from abstracts

09:40 – 09:55 Selected from abstracts

09:55 – 10:10 Selected from abstracts

09:55 – 10:10 [Jozefina Meester](#) (University of Antwerp, Belgium)

***10:10 – 10:35 Coffee break***

10:35 – 11:00 [Taina Pihlajaniemi](#) (Oulu Center of Cell-Matrix Research, University of Oulu, Finland)

11:00 – 11:15 Selected from abstracts

***11:15 Prizes and final remarks***