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Sessions

- Artificial Intelligence in Chemical Research
- Materials
- Biomolecular Systems
- Electronic Structure

All times are CET times

Talk Duration

Invited talks : 30 minutes (25 + 5)

Short talks: 20 minutes (15 + 5)

Flash talks: 3 minutes

Thursday, 18 November		
Time (CET)	Speaker	Title
14:00	Zoe Cournia , Biomedical Research Foundation, Academy of Athens, Greece, Conference Chair Hans Peter Luethi , ETH Zürich and Swiss Chemical Society, Switzerland, Conference co-Chair	Opening Remarks & Logistics
14:10	Peter Szalay , President of the Division of Theoretical and Computational Chemistry, EuChemS and Eötvös University, Hungary	Overview of the EuChemS Computational and Theoretical (CTC) Division
Artificial Intelligence in Chemical Research Chair: Benoît Champagne		
14.15	Keynote Speaker: Teodoro Laino , IBM, Switzerland	The Power of Language in Chemistry (and more)
14.45	Leticia Manén Freixa , Universitat Ramon Llull, Spain	Exploring Molecular Diversity in Drug Discovery: There is Plenty of Room at Markush's
15.05	Theodorus P.M. Goumans , Software for Chemistry & Materials, the Netherlands	Accelerated Materials Innovation Through Machine-Learning Assisted Atomistic Modeling

15.25	Alexios Chatzigoulas , Biomedical Research Foundation, Academy of Athens, Greece	Predicting protein-membrane interfaces of peripheral membrane proteins using ensemble machine learning
15.45 Coffee Break, Award Voting, Sponsor Presentation		
Materials Chair: Tanja van Mourik		
16.00	Keynote Speaker: Nong Artrith , Utrecht University, the Netherlands	Modelling of Complex Energy Materials with Machine Learning
16.30	Adriana Pietropaolo , Università di Catanzaro, Italy	Multi-replica biased sampling for photoswitchable conjugated frameworks
16.50	Daniel Reta , Euskal Herriko Unibertsitatea and Donostia International Physics Center, Spain	Ab initio spin dynamics of high-performing single molecule magnets
17.10	Camille Latouche , CNRS, Institut des Matériaux Jean Rouxel, Université de Nantes, France	Modelling excited states in solids: ZrO ₂ :Ti and Scapolite as test cases
17.30 Coffee Break, Award Voting, Sponsor Presentation		
Flash Presentations – Artificial Intelligence in Chemical Research Chair: Hans Peter Lüthi		
17.40	Raúl Pérez-Soto , Institute of Chemical Research of Catalonia, Spain	Benchmarking clustering algorithms for macrocyclic conformational sampling
17.44	Siddharth S. Ghule , CSIR-National Chemical Laboratory, India	Predicting the Redox Potentials of Phenazine Derivatives using DFT Assisted Machine Learning
17.48	Ramon A Miranda Quintana , University of Florida, USA	Tackling Big Data problems in chemistry with extended similarity indices

17.52	Endika Torres , Instituto Químico de Sarriá, Spain	Design and synthesis of multitarget Tyrosine Kinase Inhibitors for pancreatic cancer
17.55	Short Break	
Flash Presentations – Materials Chair: Mercè Deumal		
18.00	Yannik Schütze , Helmholtz Zentrum Berlin für Materialien und Energie, Germany	Combined first principles-statistical mechanics approach to sulfur structure in organic cathode hosts for polymer based lithium-sulfur (Li-S) batteries
18.04	Estefanía Díaz López , Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona, Spain	CO ₂ hydrogenation to methanol led by the Cu-Mo ₂ C interface
18.08	Kalishankar Bhattacharyya , Max-Planck-Institut für Kohlenforschung, Germany	Structure and Reactivity of IrO _x Nanoparticles for the Oxygen Evolution Reaction in Electrocatalysis: An Electronic Structure Theory Study
18.12	Manuel J Kolb , University of Barcelona IQTC, Spain	Structure Sensitive Scaling Relations among Carbon-Containing Species
18.16	Saeed Amirjalayer , University of Münster, Germany	On the cooperative interplay of molecular machines embedded in functional materials
18.20	Jordi Poater , Universitat de Barcelona, Spain	Non-covalent Interaction between Boron Clusters and Aromatic Rings and Its Applications
18.25	Short Break	
Flash Presentations – Biomolecular Systems Chair: Zoe Cournia		
18.30	Cristian Privat Contreras , University of Barcelona, Spain	Deciphering Constant pH Molecular Dynamics in Short Peptides
18.34	Giacomo Salvadori , University of Pisa, Italy	On the photoactivation of a bacteriophytochrome through a QM/MM Surface Hopping approach

18.38	Marcel Bermudez , University of Münster, Germany	A dynamic view on receptor-ligand interactions
18.42	Oksana Azpitarte , University of the Basque Country, Spain	Structural and conformational study of FMN-containing miniSOG
18.46	Liadys Mora Lagares , National Institute of Chemistry Theory Department, Slovenia	Structure-Function Relationships in the Human P-glycoprotein (ABCB1): Insights from Molecular Dynamics Simulations
18.50	Jose Y. Kaneti , Institute of Organic Chemistry with Centre of Phytochemistry, Bulgaria	Large Scale DFT and Explicitly Correlated MO Computations on Guanine Quadruplexes and their Heterocyclic Adducts
18.54	Sofia Slavova , Bulgarian Academy of Sciences	A theoretical study of pyrimidine nucleobases formation from formamide
End of first day		

Friday, 19 November		
Time (CET)	Speaker	Title
14:00	Zoe Cournia , Biomedical Research Foundation, Academy of Athens, Greece, Chair Hans Peter Luethi , ETH Zürich and Swiss Chemical Society, Switzerland, co-Chair	Opening Remarks & Logistics
Biomolecular Systems Chair: Zoe Cournia		
14.10	Keynote Speaker: Stefan Güssregen , Sanofi-Aventis, GmbH, Germany	Automated Design of Macrocycles for Therapeutic Applications
14.40	Markéta Paloncýová , Czech Advanced Technology and Research Institute, Czech Republic	Lipids in SARS-CoV-2 Vaccines: From Membrane Structure to Interaction with mRNA Fragments
15.00	Birgit Strodel , Forschungszentrum Jülich, Germany	Effects of in vivo conditions on peptide aggregation: computational approaches
15.20	Pedro Fernandes , University of Porto, Portugal	Fine details of the pre-organization of enzyme active sites and their role in enzyme catalysis and engineering
15.40	Katarina Nikolić , University of Belgrade, Serbia	Epigenetic drug discovery: Successful examples of Computer-Aided Drug Designing of Histone Deacetylase (HDAC6 and SIRT2) and Histone Methyltransferase (DOT1L) inhibitors
16.00	Coffee Break, Award Voting, Sponsor Presentation	

Electronic Structure Chair: Ivelina Georgieva		
16.15	Keynote Speaker: Markus Reiher , ETH Zürich, Switzerland	From Electronic and Vibrational Structure to Quantum Dynamics with Matrix Product States
16.45	Boris Maryasin , University of Vienna, Austria	Computationally Driven Organic Chemistry: Making Theory Practical
17.05	Anna Hehn , University of Zurich, Switzerland	Increasing efficiency for theoretical absorption and emission spectroscopy of extended systems
17.25	Daniel Escudero , Katholieke Universiteit Leuven, Belgium	Benchmarking excited state decay rate calculations
17.45	Coffee Break, Award Voting, Sponsor Presentation	
Flash Presentations – Biomolecular Systems Chair: Stefan Kast		
18.00	Nicolas Chéron , CNRS & Ecole Normale Supérieure, France	Binding site of bicarbonate in PEP Carboxylase
18.04	Charlotte Bouquiaux , University of Namur, Belgium	Multiscale Theoretical Investigation of the Second Harmonic Generation of Di-8-ANEPPS in (Un)Saturated Lipid Bilayers: Effect of the Cholesterol Content
18.08	Pierre Beaujean , University of Namur, Belgium	All-Atom Quantum Mechanical Calculation of the Second-Harmonic Generation of Fluorescent Proteins
18.12	Maria G. Khrenova , Lomonosov Moscow State University, Russia	Mechanistic and electronic structure aspects of the N-acetyl-L-aspartyl-L-glutamate hydrolysis by glutamate carboxypeptidase
18.16	Sergey Katsyuba , A.E. Arbutov Institute of Organic and Physical Chemistry, Russia	How to Simulate Infrared Spectra of Conformationally Flexible Molecules in Liquids and in Hydrogen-Bonded Solvents

18.20	Goedele Roos , Université de Lille, France	Histidine versus cysteine bearing heme-dependent halogen peroxidases: parallels and differences for Cl- oxidation
18.24	Shaima Hashem , University of Pisa, Italy	From crystallographic data to the solution structure of photoreceptors: the case of the AppA BLUF domain
18.28	Isabelle Navizet , Université Gustave Eiffel, France	QM/MM studies of bioluminescent systems
18.32	Short Break	
Flash Presentations – Electronic Structure		
Chair: Péter Szalay		
18.40	Sergei F. Vyboishchikov , University of Girona, Spain	Fast non-iterative calculation of solvation energies of molecules and ions
18.44	Carlos M. R. Rocha , Leiden University, the Netherlands	Pushing the boundaries of electronic structure theory: theoretical spectroscopic characterization of small interstellar anions – the case of C ₂ N ⁻
18.48	Stefano Evangelisti , Université Toulouse III, France	Clifford Boundary Conditions for Periodic Systems
19.52	Kati Finzel , Technische Universität Dresden, Germany	The bifunctional formalism – An alternative treatment of density functionals
19.56	Coen de Graaf , University Rovira i Virgili, Spain	Intermolecular energy and electron transfer through non-orthogonal configuration interaction
19.00	Silvia Escayola , University of Girona, Spain	Tuning the Aromaticity of Excited para-quinodimethanes
19.05	Concluding Remarks	
End of conference		