

**Genetic Epilepsy Symposium:
Teaming up to improve the outcome of patients with genetic epilepsies
in Germany**

September 14+15, 2026

Blumenfisch am Grossen Wannsee, Am Sandwerder 11-13, 14109 Berlin

Monday September 14 th , 2026
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09.00-09.15 Welcome

Angela M. Kaindl, Pediatric Neurology, Charité, Berlin

09.15-10.00 How precision therapies are reframing the care for genetic epilepsies

Ingrid E. Scheffer, Epilepsy Research Centre, University of Melbourne, Australia

10.00-10.45 How novel genetic therapies have reshaped the treatment landscape for spinal muscular atrophy (SMA) – lessons learned

Ulrike Schara, University Essen, Germany

Coffee break 10.45-11.15

Chair: Thomas Bast(?)

11.15-11.45 Current landscape in pediatric epilepsy care in Germany

Susanne Schubert-Bast, Pediatric Neurology, University Frankfurt, Frankfurt

11.45-12.15 A lighthouse project – ASM treatment gap in epilepsy in Germany

Sonya Faber, Medical Science Liaison, Angelini Pharma

12.15-12.45 Circle of influence – How to navigate pediatric epilepsy treatment in Germany view of treatment gaps and novel treatments on the horizon

Konstantin Makridis, Pediatric Neurology, Charité, Berlin

Lunch 12.45-14.00

Chair: Holger Lerche(?)

14.00-14.30 Building a German pediatric epilepsy patient genetic data hub in a network of pediatric epileptologists and geneticists / Understanding childhood epilepsies through real-world data and genomics / nicht-kodierende Varianten??

Malte Spielmann, Human Genetics, Charité, Berlin

14.30-15.00 The global GRI registry – How international data collection is designed and increases knowledge

Johannes Lemke, University Leipzig, Leipzig

15.00-15.30 Precision therapy for GRIN-associated epilepsy

Ilona Kreye, University Halle, Halle

Coffee break 15.30-16.00

Chair: Ingrid Scheffer

16:00-16:30 Precision therapy for SCN2A-associated epilepsy
Walid Fazeli, Pediatric Neurology, University Bonn, Bonn

16:30-17:00 Precision therapy for mTORopathies
Steffen Syrbe, University Heidelberg, Heidelberg

17:00-17:30 Precision therapy and prospective international registry for TRPM3/TNPO2
Lena Becker, Pediatric Neurology, Charité, Berlin

17:30-18:00 Patient-derived cell models for disease mechanisms and treatment analysis
David Guenoun, Pediatric Neurology, Charité, Berlin

18:00-18:30 Personalized therapies for rare genetic epilepsies
Holger Lerche, Neurology, Univ. Tübingen, Tübingen

18:30 Social event (30 min) meet at main entrance of Blumenfisch

Dinner 19.00

Tuesday September 15th, 2025

09.00-09.05 Welcome
Angela M. Kaindl, Pediatric Neurology, Charité, Berlin

Chair: NN

09.05-10.30 Panel discussion with pharma
Let's build a German pediatric epilepsy registry
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Dr. Sonya Faber, Angelini Pharma, Medical Science Liaison Germany

Dr. Heiko Löhr, Lundbeck, Medical Director Germany

Dr. Eileen Schormann, Lundbeck, Field Medical Lead Germany

NN, Desitin

NN via Markus Häussler, Jazz Pharmaceuticals

NN via Kathrin Wüsthoff, UCB Pharma

NN Biogen für Stoke

Coffee break 10.30-11.00

10.30-10.40 Closing
Angela M. Kaindl, Pediatric Neurology, Charité, Berlin

Only invited guests, not part of the open program:

***Arbeitssitzungen Verbundantrag und Register
Working groups with light lunch***

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Ingo Borggräfe, Pediatric Neurology, TU München, München

Christine Makowski, Pediatric Neurology, TU München, München

Alexandra Klotz, Pediatric Neurology, Univ. Bonn, Bonn

Astrid Bertsche, Pediatric Neurology, Univ. Rostock, Rostock

Thomas Bast, Epilepsieklinik für Kinder und Jugendliche, Diakonie Kork, Kehl-Kork

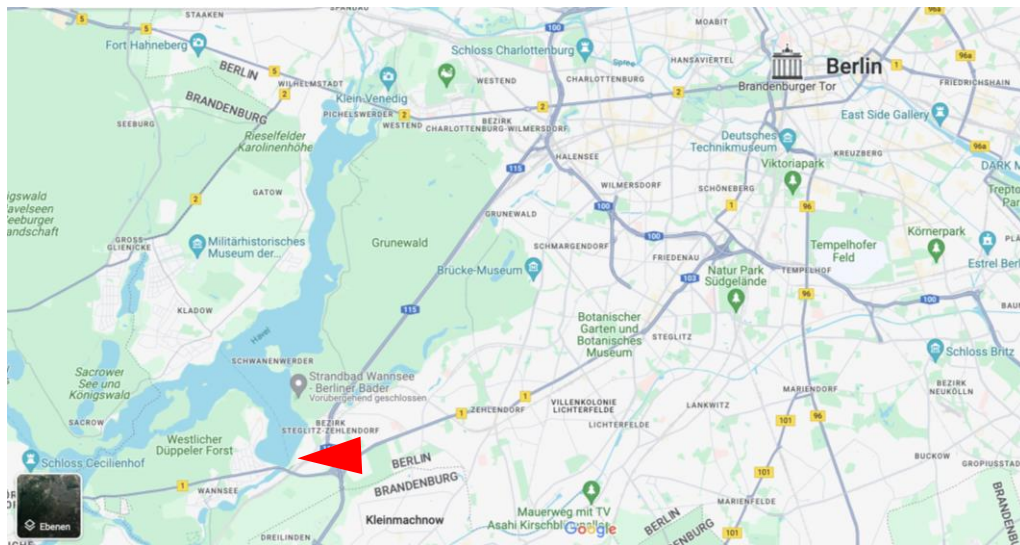
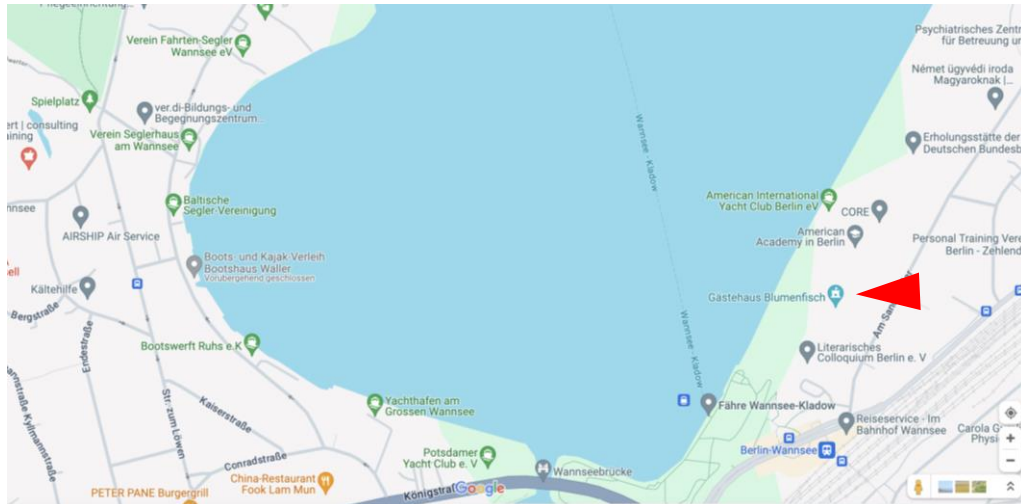
Tilmann Polster, Epilepsiezentrum Bethel, Krankenhaus Mara, Univ. Bielefeld

11:30-13.00 Verbundantrag
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13:00-15.00 Epilepsie Register
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SITE AND REGISTRATION

The Blumenfisch guest house is a villa nestled at the border of the lake Grosser Wannsee. It is a congress site, but also a location that supports and engages people with disabilities, a reason why we like to support small conferences here. From the Blumenfisch, it is only a short walk to the nearest train station (S-Bahnhof Wannsee), a 20-min train ride to downtown Berlin and a 35 min car ride to the BER airport. See site: <https://blumenfisch-gaestehaus.de>



Registration: Please register via: sekretariat-neuropaediatrie@charite.de