

Major Cancer Biology

Retreat 2017

Speakers

Lindsay Murrells

PhD Program Manager, Helmholtz
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Violaine Goidts

Head of Division Brain Tumor
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Jelena Tica

Associate scientist
GSK Future Leaders Programme
Vaccines R&D, Brussels, BE

Mahak Singhal

PhD candidate - DKFZ, DE

Topics

- ‡ Fellowships (HIGS)
- ‡ Therapeutic targets for brain cancer
- ‡ Career in Healthcare Industry
- ‡ How did I survive my PhD?
- ‡ Student talks

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-Programme-

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Program overview

Saturday	June 24 th
08:30	Departure from Heidelberg (INF 280)
10:00 – 1:00	Paintball
1:00 – 3:30	Travel to Liebenzell, check-in and snacks
4:00 – 5:00	Talk with Dr. Lindsay Murrells
5:00 – 6:00	Talk with Dr. Jelena Tica
6:30 – 7:30	Talk with Dr. Violaine Goigts
7:30 – 8:30	Dinner
9:00 – onwards	Pub quiz and open ended get together

Sunday	June 25 th
8:30 – 10:00	Breakfast and packing
10:00 – 11:30	Student talks
11:30 – 12:00	Free time
12:00 – 1:00	Lunch
1:00 – 2:00	How I survived my Ph.D. – Mahak Singhal
2:00 – 3:30	Coffee and feedback
3:30	Departure



Speakers



Dr. Lindsay Murrells PhD Program Manager



Lindsay has been working for the German Cancer Research Center as the PhD Program Manager since November 2008. In this position, she is responsible for matters concerning graduate education at the DKFZ and heads the Helmholtz International Graduate School for Cancer Research, the International PhD Program of the DKFZ. Lindsay is also the administrative coordinator of the German-Israeli Helmholtz Research School in Cancer Biology, a small joint graduate training initiative of the DKFZ and the Weizmann Institute of Science in Rehovot, Israel that was established in 2012.

Lindsay was born in the UK where she lived until completion of her Bachelor and Master degrees in Natural Sciences (Biochemistry) at the University of Cambridge. She then spent a year working as a Graduate Research Associate at Yale University in the US, before moving to Germany to complete her PhD in Cell Biology at the European Molecular Biology Laboratory (EMBL) in Heidelberg. More recently, she completed a Master of Management degree (part-time), awarded by the Malik Management Center in St. Gallen, Switzerland.

Alongside her role as the manager of the PhD Program, Lindsay is also a member of the Management Board of the DKFZ Alumni Association, elected in June 2012 and is a member of the DKFZ Executive Women's Initiative.

Dr. Jelena Tica Associate scientist GSK Future Leaders Program Vaccines R&D Brussels, Belgium

Jelena currently works in the value strategy team in the GSK Future Leaders Program. After obtaining her joint PhD in Molecular Biology at EMBL and the University of Heidelberg, her interests in disease biology, project management and business side of science inspired her to undertake a career in industry.



She is also a project coordinator of the "International Summer School of Science" taking place in her homeland Croatia. In her talk, Jelena will explain how she decided to transition from academia to a job in industry, explain the general job application process and finally, tell you more about benefits of a graduate training position in a healthcare industry, compared to a classic job.

Mahak Singhal Ph.D. student



Mahak is a Ph.D. student at the department of vascular oncology and metastasis. He will tell us the story of how he survived his Ph.D.

Dr. Violaine Goidts Junior Research Group Leader



Violaine did her PhD at Ulm University and was granted the outstanding doctoral dissertation award by the Ulm University Society. She then continued working as a postdoc at the department of molecular genetics at the German Cancer Center. Since 2010, Violaine leads the junior research group Brain Tumor Translational Targets and her research focuses on the identification of new druggable therapeutic targets for glioblastoma. A special research interest is in factors that are involved in the maintenance of stemness and viability of glioblastoma stem-like cells.

In her talk she will give us some insights into her research and what it means to be in academia and work as a junior group leader. Violaine will also join us for dinner on Saturday.

Student speakers

Dominik Vonficht, Kristin Stirm: Internships in industry Ignacio Heras, Murillo Umot, Kilik Gemma, Pidelaserra Marti: Internships abroad

Thank you for participating!

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