CRPP radiz – Rare Disease Initiative Zurich

Rare Diseases Summer School
Zurich - Switzerland
The radiz Rare Diseases Summer School focusses on a wide variety of subjects in the arena of rare diseases, from disease mechanisms and animal models to improving diagnoses and developing novel therapies.

There are lectures and workshops given by national and international rare disease experts on drug development, model organisms, how to choose clinical endpoints, clinical trials, regulatory aspects, patient registries, patient initiated research, ethical considerations, as well as what rare diseases may tell us about common diseases. Participants will have the chance to present their own research projects with poster and oral presentations.

The school addresses clinicians, physician-scientists, postdocs, and PhD students from various disciplines such as medicine, biology, psychology, sociology, and related fields.

Participants are limited to 30 to ensure a high staff to student ratio allowing participants to optimally benefit from the varied expertise of the faculty.

**Scientific organizing committee**

**Children's Hospital Zurich**
Prof. Matthias Baumgartner
Dr. Saskia Karg
Dr. Elisabetta Vannoni

**University of Zurich**
Prof. Anita Rauch

**University Hospital Zurich**
Prof. Giatgen Spinas
Prof. Arnold von Eckardstein
Regular speakers

Prof. Nine Knoers University Medical Centre Utrecht, The Netherlands

Exome sequencing

Prof. Marshall Summar, Children’s National Medical Center, Washington DC, USA

Clinical endpoints and drug development

Samantha Parker, Lysogene, France

Regulatory frameworks and registries

Prof. Effy Vayena and Dr. Jürg Streuli, University of Zurich

Ethical considerations

Christina Fasser, Vice-President ProRaris, President Retina International

Patient-initiated research

Prof. Janine Reichenbach, Children's Hospital Zurich

Clinical gene therapy

Prof. Stephan Neuhauss and Prof. Carsten Wagner, University of Zurich

Model organisms

Every year, guest speakers and a keynote speaker complete the program.
**Information**

www.radiz.uzh.ch

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**Location:** The summer school takes place at Tagungszentrum Schloss Au, Wädenswil (on lake Zurich)

For detailed information about dates, registration and costs please visit: [www.radiz.uzh.ch/de/Rare-Diseases-Summer-School.html](http://www.radiz.uzh.ch/de/Rare-Diseases-Summer-School.html)

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**radiz — the Rare Disease Initiative Zurich** — is a Clinical Research Priority Program of the University of Zurich.

Rare disease experts from the Children's Hospital Zurich, University of Zurich and the University Hospital Zurich have joined forces in this initiative. Through its interdisciplinary and translational research projects, radiz aims to close the gap between basic and clinical research and to improve the diagnosis, care, and ultimately the outcome of patients with specific rare diseases.

By providing continuous training and education, radiz increases awareness, understanding, and knowledge of rare diseases both among specialists as well as in the general public.