Dear colleagues,

we are delighted to invite you to the second Molecular Imaging of Neurodegeneration Cologne (MINC) symposium with the guiding theme:

*A synopsis on translational imaging of neurodegeneration.*

We are pleased to announce a colourful programme comprising numerous talks held by nationally and internationally renowned speakers from different fields of research, including preclinical and clinical imaging, translational neuroscience, and neuro-immunology. Moreover, this time early career scientists will have the opportunity to present their research in a data blitz format.

We are looking forward to welcoming all interested colleagues on October 18th – 19th 2018 in Cologne.

Sincerely,

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This event is under the auspices of the EANM
Day 1 - Thursday, October 18th

8:30 Welcome
Alexander Drzezga, Cologne

Session 1 – Cause & Effect of Tau Pathology
Chairs: A. Drzezga, V. Villemagne

8:35 Highlight Lecture:
Tau-PET, imaging a causal pathology?
Oskar Hansson, Lund, Sweden

9:15 Tau – Cellular function and consequences of
dysfunction
Eckhard Mandelkow, Bonn

9:45 Tau-PET in primary tauopathies
James Rowe, Cambridge, UK

10:15 Data Blitz
Selected Abstract

10:30 Coffee break

Session 2 – Inflammation, Friend or Foe?
Chairs: H. Barthel, G. Bischof

11:00 The role of neuroinflammation in ageing and
neurodegeneration
Delphine Boche, Southampton, UK

11:30 Imaging neuroinflammation in Alzheimer’s
disease
Elena Rodriguez-Vieitez, Stockholm, Sweden

12:00 Imaging neuroinflammation in Parkinson’s
disease
Alexander Gerhard, Manchester, UK

12:30 Data Blitz
Selected Abstract

12:45 Lunch

Session 3 – Transmitter Imaging & Modelling
Chairs: H. Endepols, O. Sabri

14:00 Quantitative PET imaging and why it is so
important
Adriaan Lammertsma, Amsterdam, NL

14:30 Serotonergic changes in primate models of
Parkinson's disease
Bénédicte Ballanger, Lyon, France

15:00 Central and peripheral neurotransmitter
changes in Parkinson's disease
Per Borghammer, Aarhus, Denmark

15:30 Data Blitz
Selected Abstract

15:45 Coffee break

Session 4 - α-Synuclein in Parkinson's Disease
Chairs: G. Höglinger, A. Strafella

16:05 Highlight Lecture:
Biomarkers in prodromal Parkinson's disease
Brit Mollenhauer, Göttingen

16:45 α-synuclein: a troublesome traveller
Donato di Monte, Bonn

17:15 α-synuclein tracer development:
Where are we?
Bernd Pichler, Tübingen

17:45 Data Blitz
Selected Abstract

Day 2 - Friday, October 19th

8:30 Welcome
Thilo van Eimeren, Cologne

Session 5 - Bio-designed PET Tracers
Chairs: T. van Eimeren, K. Herholz

11:00 Amyloid imaging in rodents
Axel Rominger, Munich

11:30 Amyloid in persons at risk of Alzheimer’s
disease
Frank Jessen, Cologne

12:00 Data Blitz
Selected Abstract

12:15 Lunch

Session 6 – Cause & Effect of Amyloid Pathology
Chairs: H. Boecker, D. Willbold

11:00 Amyloid imaging in rodents
Axel Rominger, Munich

11:30 Amyloid in persons at risk of Alzheimer’s
disease
Frank Jessen, Cologne

12:00 Data Blitz
Selected Abstract

12:15 Lunch

Session 7 – From Diagnosis to Therapy
Chairs: F. Jessen, D. Cross

13:30 New strategies to fight amyloid pathology
Dieter Willbold, Jülich

14:00 Fighting the spread of protein pathology.
Are exosomes the key?
Anja Schneider, Bonn

14:30 Targeting tau pathology
Eva-Maria Mandelkow, Bonn

15:00 Data Blitz
Selected Abstract

15:15 Coffee Break

Session 8 – From Damage to Dysfunction
Chairs: F. Barkhof, Ö. Onur

15:35 Highlight Lecture:
Multimodal MR imaging in rare
neurodegenerative diseases
Kathrin Reetz, Aachen

16:15 Functional compensation in rodent models
of Parkinson's disease
Heike Endepols, Cologne

16:45 Influence of local tau pathology on
hippocampus function
Juraj Kukolja, Cologne

17:15 Data Blitz
Selected Abstract

17:30 Concluding Remarks & Farewell