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# Physics Meets Medicine The Heart of Active Matter

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Alte Mensa, Wilhelmplatz 1

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Monday, September 04, 2017

10:00 – 11:00	Arrival and arrangement
11:00 – 11:30	Welcome by Wolfram-Hubert Zimmermann, Marco Tarantola, Tim Meyer and Christoph Schmidt
11:30-12:30	Lunch
Chair: Marcus Müller	
12:30 – 13:00	<b>Peter Kohl</b> Computational models as drivers of biomedical research: Examples from the heart
13:00 – 13:20	A01/A16 <b>Claus Heussinger</b> When boundaries melt away: flow and arrest of biological and soft materials
13:20 – 13:40	A02/A13 <b>Christoph Schmidt</b> Non-equilibrium dynamics in model systems and cardiomyocytes
13:40 – 14:10	<b>Ellen Kuhl</b> The physics of heart failure
14:10 – 14:30	A19 <b>Karen Alim</b> Active matter controls morphology
14:30 – 15:00	Discussion and coffee break
Chair: Carsten Beta	
15:00 – 15:30	<b>Fred MacKintosh</b> Extracellular matrix mechanics and mechanical phase transitions
15:30 – 16:00	<b>Alain Karma</b> Variability and compensation in cardiac electrophysiology at cellular, organ, and population levels
16:00 – 16:30	<b>Ramin Golestanian</b> Homeostasis and dynamic phase transition in a simple model of dividing chemotactic cells
16:30 – 16:50	A07/ A11 <b>Tim Salditt</b> Pattern formation in the actin cortex of contractile cells
16:50 – 17:10	A05 /A14 <b>Jörg Enderlein</b> Metal-induced energy transfer (MIET)
17:10 – 18:10	<b>Keynote lecture</b> <b>Andrew McCulloch</b> Multi-scale modeling of the failing heart: From mouse to human
18:10 – 20:00	Catered Dinner
20:00	Poster Session <i>Get together</i>

Tuesday, September 05, 2017

Chair: Florian Rehfeldt

09:00 – 09:30	<b>Ben Fabry</b> Three-dimensional micro-tissues for disease modelling of desminopathies
09:30 – 10:00	<b>Robert Gourdie</b> Excitation at the gap junction edge: The novel role of the perinexus in cardiac conduction
10:00 – 10:30	<b>Beth Pruitt</b> Engineering iPS cardiomyocyte models
10:30 – 10:50	Discussion and coffee break
10:50 – 11:10	SFB 937 <b>Jan Christoph</b> Electromechanical Vortices during Cardiac Fibrillation
11:10 – 11:25	A08 <b>Marco Tarantola</b> Mechanics and dynamics of cardiomyocyte adhesion
11:25 – 11:40	A09 <b>Eberhard Bodenschatz</b> Fast propagation regions cause self-sustained reentry in excitable media

Chair: Sarah Köster

11:40 – 12:10	<b>Paul Janmey</b> Non-linear elasticity, contraction, and relaxation in cells, tissues and biopolymer networks
12:10 – 12:40	<b>Kevin Healy</b> Human cardiac microphysiological systems for drug discovery, disease modeling, and precision medicine
12:40 – 13:10	A17 <b>Andreas Janshoff</b> Self-organization and mechanics of actomyosin networks attached to artificial and cellular plasma membranes
13:15 – 14:15	Lunch

14:15	<b>SOCIAL PROGRAM</b> <i>Castle Burg Hanstein</i> visit and guided tour (eng/ger)
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18:30	Conference Dinner <i>Klausenhof</i> medieval restaurant next to the Castle
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Wednesday, September 06, 2017

Chair: Marco Mazza

09:00 – 09:30	<b>Josef Käs</b> A new type of unjamming transitions in cancer
09:30 – 10:00	<b>Igor Efimov</b> Novel cardiac technology: flexible bioelectronics, microfluidics, and organotypic culture
10:00 – 10:30	<b>Tal Dvir</b> Advanced technologies for engineering functional cardiac patches
10:30 – 10:50	A10 <b>Jörg Großhans</b> Tissue remodelling in <i>Drosophila</i> embryonic development
10:50 – 11:10	Discussion and coffee break
11:10 – 11:40	<b>Elliot Elson</b> How best to describe the physiological state of an engineered heart tissue?
11:40 – 12:10	<b>Lior Gepstein</b> Optogenetic control of human induced pluripotent stem cell derived cardiac tissues
12:10 – 12:30	A18 <b>Wolfram-Hubertus Zimmermann</b> Directed self-assembly of human heart muscle
12:30 – 13:30	Lunch
13:30	Closing remarks by Christoph Schmidt and Wolfram-Hubertus Zimmermann
12:30 – 13:30	Departure

**Invited Speakers**

Dvir	Tal	Tel Aviv University Tissue Engineering and Regenerative Medicine Tel Aviv (ISR)
Efimov	Igor	The George Washington University Department of Biomedical Engineering Washington (USA)
Elson	Elliot L.	Washington University in St. Louis Biochemistry and Molecular Biophysics St. Louis (USA)
Fabry	Ben	Friedrich-Alexander-Universität Center for Medical Physics and Technology Erlangen (GER)
Gepstein	Lior	Israel Institute of Technology Cardiac Electrophysiology and Regenerative Medicine Lab Haifa (ISR)
Golestanian	Ramin	University of Oxford Rudolf Peierls Centre for Theoretical Physics Oxford (UK)
Gourdie	Robert	Virginia Tech Carilion Research Institute Massachusetts Institute of Technology Cambridge (USA)
Healy	Kevin	University of California Berkeley Bioengineering and Materials Science & Engineering Berkeley (USA)
Janmey	Paul	University of Pennsylvania Institute for Medicine and Engineering Philadelphia (USA)
Karma	Alain	Northeastern University Theoretical Condensed Matter and Biological Physics Boston (USA)
Käs	Joseph	Universität Leipzig Peter Debye Institute for Soft Matter Physics Leipzig (GER)
Kohl	Peter	Universitäts-Herzzentrum Freiburg - Bad Krozingen Institut für Experimentelle Kardiovaskuläre Medizin Freiburg (GER)
Kuhl	Ellen	Stanford University Stanford Mechanics and Computation Stanford (USA)
MacKintosh	Fred	Rice University Chemical and Biomolecular Engineering Houston (USA)
McCulloch	Andrew	University of California San Diego Cardiac Biomedical Science and Engineering Center La Jolla (USA)
Pruitt	Beth	Stanford University Mechanical Engineering - Mechanics and Computation Stanford (USA)