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Welcome

to the first international Synergy Forum to be convened in Bonn on March 9 and 10, 2018.

We look forward to inspiring lectures and discussions about the latest developments and findings in synergy research in lectures, poster presentations and workshops.

In the past years significant developments and innovative research - both in theory and in practical applications - have yielded novel, multifaceted and deeper insights into fundamentals, mechanisms, processes and phenomena of synergism as well as the potentials of synergistic interactions of compounds.

The Synergy Forum hopes to be a platform for an updated inventory and vivid discourse of state-of-the-art synergy research in drug development and therapy. Besides elaborating and clarifying fundamental issues of the definition and assessment of synergy it intends to create a forum for the dissemination of practical clinical experiences with combinatory therapies. Also specific attention and time will be dedicated to posters presenting practical and clinical experiences with combinatory treatments or findings on combinatory / synergistic effects of compounds in experimental trials.

The Synergy Forum will be a symposium of a yet moderate scale. However small may be beautiful! With most of the eminent authorities from all over the world contributing actively, we look forward to providing a significant boost to the still young, but highly relevant scientific subject of synergy research as a cross-sectional field of medicine, pharmacy, pharmacology, cell and molecuar biology and bioinformatics.

And, last but not the least, we wish you a great time in Bonn. The University of Bonn is right now (2018) proudly commemorating its 200th anniversary and very soon (2020) Ludwig van Beethoven will celebrate his 250th birthday. Be inspired by this superb synergy of culture, creativity, wisdom and joy!





Programme Friday March 09, 2018

from 10.00 h	Registration (at the Information Counter)
12.00 - 13.00 h	Welcome Snack
13.00 - 13.30 h	Opening Session Welcome Addresses: Gudrun Ulrich-Merzenich, Organising Committee Nicolas Wernert, Dean of the Medical Faculty, University of Bonn Peter Brossart, Director, Medical Clinic III, University Hospital Bonn
13.30 - 14.15 h	The evolution of synergy research: from historic geometric visualisation to contemporary biological modelling Gudrun Ulrich-Merzenich, Bonn / Germany
14.15 - 15.00 h	Predicting synergistic drug and compound combinations - methods and applications Andreas Bender, Cambridge / United Kingdom
15.00 - 15.15 h	Coffee Break and Poster Exhibition
15.15 - 16.00 h	The combination index theorem as a basis for a consensus towards the definition of synergy Ting-Chao Chou, New York / USA

16.00 - 16.35 h	Implementing combinatorial therapeutic regimes against cancer Dominik Wolf, Bonn / Germany
16.35 - 17.00 h	Coffee Break and Poster Exhibition
17.00 - 17.45 h	Combinations matter: network approaches to analysing and understanding high throughput combination screening datasets Rajarshi Guha, Bethesda / USA
17.45 - 18.15 h	Targeting the endocannabinoid system in combination treatments Ramy Ammar, Cairo / Egypt
18.15 - 19.00 h	Challenges in the investigation of combinatory modes of action of nutrients and pharmaceuticals Alexander Shikov, St. Petersburg / Russian Republic
19.00 - 19.45 h	Posters and Wine Final review and rating of posters
20.00 h	Conference Dinner at the Uniclub Bonn



Saturday March 10, 2018

00.45 40.30 b	David Hall Consists
09.15 - 10.30 h	Parallel Sessions
	Session 1:
09.15 - 09.40 h	Exploring synergy in Ayurveda and traditional Indian Systems of medicine Pulok K. Mukherjee, Kolkata / India
09.40 - 10.15 h	Synergy, a modern concept based on ancient wisdom - examples from African traditional medicine Alvaro Viljoen, Pretoria / South Africa
10.15 - 10.40 h	Synergy between Magnifera indica leaf extract (Zynamite®) and caffeine with respect to stimulation of the central nervous system in rats Wilfried Dimpfel, Wetzlar / Germany
	Session 2:
09.15 - 09.50 h	Synergy assessments of plant extracts used in the treatment of stress and ageing-related disorders Alexander Panossian, Vaxtorp / Sweden
09.55 - 10.30 h	Interaction between platinum drugs and Sorafenib Anya Kalayda, Bonn / Germany
10.30 - 11.00 h	Coffee Break
11.00 - 11.45 h	Synergy: easier to say than to prove. The role of metabolomics. Robert Verpoorte, Leiden / The Netherlands
11.45 - 12.30 h	Of devils and angels - regulatory aspects and challenges of combinatory uses of drugs Harald Schweim, Cologne / Germany

12.30 - 13.00 h Poster awards and short oral presentations of best 3 posters

13.00 - 14.00 h Lunch Break

14.00 - 16.30 h **Workshop:**

Towards a consensual understanding and definition of synergy

Moderators: Gudrun Ulrich-Merzenich and Ting-Chao Chou

Coffee will be served in the workshop

16.30 - 17.00 h **Closing Session**

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Posters

P 01	Mechanisms of action in gastroentrology: Comparison of a prokinetic drug
	and a heral medicine

Kelber O., Hoser S., Abdel-Aziz-H., Okpanyi S.N., Nieber K.

P 02 Multi-step clustering of Data on a multi-target effect of a combination phytomedicine, STW5

Kelber O., Abdul-Aziz H., Lorkowski G., Storr M., Nieber K.

P 03 Synergism research: a tool for the study of pharmacology and toxicology of herbal medicinal products

Okpanyi S.N., Kelber O. Abdel-Aziz H, Schrenk D.

P 04 Curcumin sensitizes human U-87 glioblastoma and MCF-7 breast cancer cells to the endocannabinoid reuptake inhibitor OMDM-2

Ammar R., Ulrich-Merzenich G.

P 05 Adenosine Receptors and STW5: new targets to protect against irritable bowel syndrome
Nieber K., Aziz H., Kelber O.

P 06 Gene expression profiling as a promising approach for justifying fixed drug combination products

Kelber O., Abdel-Aziz H., Ulrich-Merzenich G.

P 07 Making Connections: Linking redolent synergy to the aroma therapeutic treatment of respiratory tract infections de Rapper S., van Vuuren S., Viljoen A

P 08 Essential oils: Fragrant pools of antimicrobial synergism explored van Vuuren S., Orcharda A., Viljoen A.

P 09 Influence of Evernia prunastri extract on mitrochondria of rats liver Shcherbakova A, Starinets VS, Belosludtsev KN, Ulrich-Merzenich G. , Dubinin MV

P 10 Combination of chemotherapy, radiotherapy and hyperthermia in vitro Besse HC, Bos C, Zandvliet MMJM, Moonen CTW, Deckers R

P 11 Endocannabinoid combination with natural and benchmark anti-cancer drugs Ammar RM, Jaehde U, Ulrich-Merzenich G

P 12 Multimodal treatment approach induces tolerance in severe acquired hemophilia by involving Tregs

Zeitler H, Goldmann G, Oldenburg J, Ulrich-Merzenich G

P 13 Multitargeting of STW5—the contribution of its components to the anti-inflammatory activity

Ulrich-Merzenich G, Shcherbvakova A, Kelber O, Abdel-Aziz H

Additional posters will be presented at short notice during the Synergy Forum

The Speakers and their Affiliations

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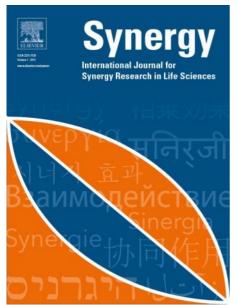
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Multimodal treatments or multitarget approaches are increasingly applied to treat complex diseases in different disciplines of medicine mainly based on empirical knowledge. There is a need to elucidate further the combinatory actions in the context of synergy, including the optimisation of therapeutic target specificity, the prevention of potential adverse events and the reduction of treatemt cost and time.

In the past two years the still young Synergy Journal has seen a successful development with a steady growth of readership, publications and citations. We cordially invite you to be part of this dynamic emergence of a new

significant field within the life sciences and to submit manuscripts that meet the prevalent criteria of significance, relevance and scientific standards.

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- Molecular and cellular biology
- Bioinformatics

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