

## ESO-ESMINT-ESNR 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Stroke Winter School

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BERN, SWITZERLAND 2 February 2017 – The European Stroke Organisation (ESO), together with the European Society of Minimally Invasive Neurological Therapy (ESMINT) and the European Society of Neuroradiology (ESNR), endorsed the 4th annual Stroke Winter Course for young stroke physicians and neuroradiologists on the topic of acute interdisciplinary stroke treatment. Stroke Winter School takes place in Bern, CH from 31 January – 3 February at the University Hospital (Inselspital) Bern.

The organisers were faced with the difficult task to select 57 participants from more than 100 applications and are very happy to welcome participants from 18 different countries. This year's participants traveled from: Austria, Belgium, Bulgaria, Colombia, Croatia, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Italy, Lithuanian, Norway, Portugal, Sweden, Switzerland, Turkey, Ukraine, and United Kingdom. The University Hospital Bern is proud to host such a diverse group of highly qualified participants! Furthermore the committee are very happy to welcome 29 eminent speakers from various countries in Europe.

Half into the programme, ESO ESMINT ESNR Stroke Winter School, has already covered a wide range of exciting topics ranging from stroke epidemiology to advanced neuroimaging, from randomized evidence to day-to-day clinical decision. At the end of the second day, Dr. Linxin Li from Oxford, reflects, "It is fascinating to have the hands on practice of imaging processing and simulation. Even more importantly, the shared experience and heated discussion between stroke physicians and neuroradiologists, and between different centers offer us a great opportunity to reflect on best to improve our own practices. I look forward to even more challenging topics tomorrow! "

This annual course is possible through the generous support of the sponsoring organisations, the University Hospital Bern and industry partners including; Balt Extrusion, Bayer Healthcare, Bern, Boehringer Ingelheim, Codman Neuro/DePuy sSynthes, Daiichi-Sankyo, La Medical AG, Medtronic, MicroVention TERUMO, Olea Medical, Penumbra, Phenox, Rapid Medical, Siemens, Stryker Neurovascular, Vascular Medical.

For more information including the full 2017 programme and reports of past Stroke Winter Schools, visit the [ESO website](#).

### About ESO-ESMINT-ESNR Stroke Winter School

The *primary* goal of the ESO- ESMINT-ESNR endorsed winter school on acute interdisciplinary stroke treatment is to join European young stroke physicians and young neuroradiologists in order to enhance interdisciplinary management of patients with acute ischaemic stroke. A series of concentrated high quality teaching sessions and courses on acute stroke management will be offered at a low price.

The *secondary* goal of the winter school is to perform "hands-on" courses for interventional neuroradiologists and special teaching sessions for stroke physicians.

The winter school offers a unique method of teaching combining plenum sessions, discussions and technical training; it will foster improvement in treatment of cerebrovascular disease and advance research in this complex field, leading to technical developments.