



Department of Rheumatology

## CRPP Pain Seminar

Thursday, December 1st, 2022, 14.00 – 17.00 h

Balgrist University Hospital, Forchstrasse 340, 8008 Zurich



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# Program



Dr. David Benninger is an associate physician in the Neurology Service. He is affiliated with the Unit for Movement Disorders and, in collaboration with Dr. Kuntzer and Dr. Théaudin, with the Nerve-Muscle Unit.

Dr. Benninger received his medical degree in 1996 after studying at the Universities of Zurich and Geneva. He then specialized in general neurology with an interest in movement disorders, neuromuscular diseases, epileptology, cerebrovascular diseases, clinical neurophysiology and neuropsychology at Geneva (HUG),

Aarau (Cantonal Hospital) and Zurich (University Hospital). In 2005, he obtained the title of specialist in neurology.

Between 2007 and 2010, he completed a fellowship at the National Institute of Health in Bethesda (USA) in Movement Disorders and Clinical Neurophysiology where he conducted several therapeutic studies investigating the efficacy of non-invasive brain stimulation in movement disorders.

Dr. Benninger is also responsible for the university and post-graduate teaching in abnormal movements and clinical neurophysiology at the University of Lausanne.

## 14.00 h Welcome

Oliver Distler

## 14.10 h Guest Lecture – Focal Dystonia in CRPS: Organic Disease or Functional Disorder

David Benninger, PD Dr.

## 14.50 h Break

## 15.00 h Pronounced Signs of Central Sensitization in CRPS Patients with a Widespread Pain Pattern

Iara de Schoenemaker

## 15.20 h Pain-related Evoked Potentials in CRPS

Florin Allmendinger

## 15.40 h Altered Expression of Neurotrophins and their Receptors in the Skin of Patients with CRPS

Melina Perez Valdez Vertti

## 16.00 h Break

## 16.15 h The Value of Pain-autonomic Measures in CRPS

Paulina Scheuren, PhD

## 16.35 h Intertester Reliability of a Newly Proposed Clinical Assessment of CRPS Patients – Towards a Mechanistic-oriented Physical Therapy in CRPS

Jasmin Erni, MSc

## 16.50 h Summary and Conclusion

Oliver Distler

## 17.00 h Apéro

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