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**General Topic**
- Head and Neck, Soft Tissue
- Chest and Abdomen
- Bone
- Brain, Woman’s, Children
- Vascular, Intervention

**Faculty Moderator**
- David Trost, MD
- Franz Kainberger, MD
- Larry Schwartz, MD
- Jake Kazam, MD
- John Tsiouris, MD
- David Trost, MD

**Program**
- **07:00 – 08:00**: BREAKFAST
- **08:00 – 08:30**: Introduce All Participants
- **08:30 – 09:15**: Pre-Seminar Test
- **09:15 – 10:00**: Imaging of Lung Cancer
- **10:00 – 10:30**: COFFEE BREAK
- **10:30 – 11:15**: Nodules in the Thyroid and Other Tumors of the Endocrine System
  - Christian Pirich, MD
- **11:15 – 12:00**: Lymphoma and Myeloma
  - Marius Mayerhofer, MD, PhD
- **12:00 – 12:45**: Soft Tissue Tumors and Tumor Mimics
  - Jake Kazam, MD
- **12:45 – 14:00**: LUNCH
- **14:00 – 14:45**: Fellow Case Presentations
- **14:45 – 17:00**: Free afternoon
- **17:00 – 17:15**: OMI/AAF Presentation
- **17:00 – 19:00**: Ultrasound Workshop
  - Franz Kainberger, MD

**Closing Dinner**
- **19:00 – 20:00**: Faculty Dinner in Private Home
- **20:00 – 21:00**: Chamber Music Concert
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Dr. Forstner received her medical degree from the Innsbruck Medical University. In Salzburg, she finished her residency program, which was followed by a fellowship for abdominal MRI at the University of California, San Francisco.

Dr. Forstner has been a member of the board of examination for Austrian radiologists and is a member of the editorial board of the journal European Radiology. Additionally, she is a board member of societies such as the Austrian Roentgen Ray Society and the female imaging subgroup of the European Society of Urogenital Radiology. She is also currently the editor of the section Female Imaging in EuroRad.

In Salzburg, Dr. Forstner serves as lecturer at the Paracelsus Medical University. She has been invited to lecture for the European Congress of Radiology for many years, for Erasmus courses, ESOR, ICIS and ESUR courses. Furthermore, Dr. Forstner has been lecturer of the AAF from its inception. She serves as a reviewer for several journals including European Radiology, European Journal of Radiology, Abdominal imaging, Cancer Imaging, and Röfo.
Benjamin Halpern, MD, MBA decided to pursue a career in radiology after finishing Medical School in Vienna, Austria. To start, he completed a 2-year post-doc research stay at UCLA, where he was lucky enough to work at one of the world’s first PET/CT units. This stay fostered his interest in oncologic imaging and in particular hybrid imaging. Knowing that mastering hybrid imaging would require training in both Radiology and Nuclear Medicine, he first completed his Radiology residency in Vienna in 2009, and then decided to move back to the United States, where he completed additional training as a Nuclear Medicine resident at Harvard’s Joint Program in Nuclear Medicine. He completed his Nuclear Medicine Residency in 2011, and then returned back to Austria to work as at the Medical University in Vienna, where he focused his hybrid imaging research on oncologic imaging and in particular in PET/CT and PET/MR. To round off his educational training, he completed a MBA degree in International Health Care Management at the Frankfurt School of Finance and Management. At this MBA program, he gained practical business experience, and studied the advantages and disadvantages of various health care systems around the world, which included visits to Johns Hopkins, Singapore, and India among others.

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Erich Sorantin, MD was born in 1957 and, after finishing high school, he studied Medicine at the University of Vienna graduating in 1982. Afterwards he worked in several hospitals, fulfilled training as general practitioner and became fully qualified as Pediatrician and Radiologist. In 1988 he joined the team of the Department of Radiology, Medical University Graz, where he became a faculty member in 1994 and earned his professorship in 2002. Currently, Dr. Sorantin is the acting Head of the Section of Pediatric Radiology as well as the Head of the Research Unit for Digital Information and Image Processing. Moreover, he coordinates a multi-institutional, multidisciplinary academic network in Central Europe, which focuses on biomedical imaging and technology transfer of advanced pediatric care as well as radiation protection. Additionally, Dr. Sorantin served as a consultant for Computer graphics for the medical vendor Siemens concentrating on virtual endoscopic techniques for approximately eight years. During this cooperation, two products were brought to the market: the Virtuoso3D and the Leonardo Workstation. Moreover several software releases for optimizing plain film post processing in pediatric patients. Dr. Sorantin has been married since 1984 and has fathered three sons.

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In 2010/11 he completed a Surgical Oncology Fellowship at the Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center in New York, where he was trained in Advanced Surgical Oncology procedures. His special focus was colorectal and hepatobiliary/pancreatic surgery. During that fellowship, his interest in radiology was raised and continued to increase after his return to Vienna in 2011. After working at the Surgical Department for almost another year, he decided to switch subjects and started a new residency in Radiology, which he completed in 2017. In 2017, he also passed the European Board Examination for Radiology (EBiR). Similar to his previous scientific interest, his main attention is on abdominal and oncological radiology, and he also published several papers in that field.

He has authored and co-authored around 50 peer-reviewed articles and 4 book chapters. He is a regular speaker at national and international conferences. He is reviewer for several surgical and radiological journals and is also currently assistant editor at the Journal of Pancreatic cancer. He continues to work at the Medical University of Vienna. He is married and has two sons.

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During this last week of September, the Open Medical Institute had the pleasure of seeing a great number of doctors in its halls. Alone, the faculty included fourteen members, with some of them only staying for a day or two at a time to give their lectures. However, this was perfectly in tune with the group of fellows, which was not only large, numbering thirty-nine, but also diverse, coming from thirty-one different countries and regions. Familiar with the week’s proceedings after his eighteen prior visits, Dr David W. Trost was very fit to lead the group as course director. He was complemented by co-course director Dr. Franz Kainberger, who represented the Austrian half of the faculty.

One of the main considerations of the week was technology. By its nature, these seminars seek to bring people from different socio-economic regions together. This poses a unique problem when a field of medicine relies heavily on technology in practice, which some fellows from under-resourced hospitals cannot afford. One example of this was the Siemens machine used by Dr Franz Kainberger for his ultrasound workshop, in which he was dutifully assisted by his resident Dr Gregor Dovjak. During the demonstrations, many fellows asked questions about the four different probes that were attached to the machine, because the machines they are accustomed to normally have only two probes. Furthermore, this particular model had a variable frequency setting, allowing greater versatility in the image by adjusting the number of Megahertz the system is using. This feature is not standard on ultrasound machines by any means, and although it was not part and parcel to the workshop, it nonetheless reveals how the technology at hand affects doctors’ methods in their practices.

In their comments, fellows found Dr. John Tsiouris’ lectures on Spine and Head & Neck Neoplasms particularly relevant. Similarly, Dr Thomas Helbich received a lot of praise for his lectures on Prostate and Breast Cancer Imaging. The most cited talk was undoubtedly Dr Benjamin Halpern’s on RECIST, which many fellows have said they plan to implement in their practices at home. Lastly, Dr Christian Pirich’s lecture on thyroid and endocrine tumors, and Dr Jake Kazam’s lecture on soft tissue tumors and tumor mimics were also lauded.

The Salzburg Open Medical Institute was happy to work again with Weill Cornell Medicine, and excited to welcome physicians from the Medical University of Vienna. It is clear how pleased the entire team was with the results of the seminar week.
I was eight years old when I first watched Amadeus, by Miloš Forman.

Then I watched it again.

And again.

All together I have seen it about thirty times. I became an addict, literally. As it is well known, it became a part of cinematography history. The movie is remarkable from many points of view, but my biggest personal impression was how Mozart’s personality was delivered to the public. After I got to know his music, I became sure that he really was so bubbly, full of joy and life energy, because it pops up from every single note of his genius music. And it confirmed that it is possible to be on the sunny side of life, to be happy, to laugh out loud, and still be able to create a highly intelligent, brilliant harmony in a musical, mathematical, frequental and in every other way. While listening, I can actually feel and smell all the varieties of flowers, with their different shapes, colors and perfumes in his music. In other words, it became clear to me that it doesn’t necessarily take darkness, seriousness and sadness to become the greatest composer of all time.

Many years later, I got the chance to come to Salzburg.

And my arrival was colored by flowers of Mozart’s music...

Sunday, September 24

I arrived in Schloss Arenberg after travelling for ten hours, by a car, plane, train and bus – tired, but full of excitement! After the opening speech by Dr David Trost, Course Director and Dr Franz Kainberger, Co-Course Director, we had dinner and spent some time in the lobby getting to know each other. We got along very well right from the start. Then it was bedtime – tomorrow is the first day of the Seminar!

Monday, September 25

Sunny morning, fresh mountain air, beautiful surrounding – perfect, let’s get started!

The classroom is like something out of a movie I saw, Dead Poets Society, brought me back to school again.

We were given the chance to introduce ourselves, had a Pre-Seminar Test, and then the lectures began.

After 5PM we decided to take a walk to the town center, visited Mozart Geburtshaus and Kollegienkirche. Beautiful.

Back to the Schloss, had dinner and played pantomime for the whole evening. There was a lot of laughing involved.
Tuesday, September 26

Another beautiful sunny morning as a start up to the new day.

The lectures were great; I was all eyes and ears!

Group photo at ten o’clock. Nice.

More great lectures.

Then we hopped on a tourist bus, sightseeing for the whole afternoon. Amazing nature, especially the lakes. We spent the entire day in a very friendly atmosphere, all participants are very nice people, talked a lot about our countries and cultures, got to know each other better, it was cheerful. I have to note that Kostja is a professional photographer, so all of us have memories from Salzburg in amazing pictures. Thank you, Kostja!

Had dinner, tired in a nice way, then another meeting in the hotel lobby. Heard around one hundred jokes from Narek, the whole room was filled with laughter. Thank you, Narek!

Wednesday, September 27

Very good sessions, all of them!

After lunch, the second part of Fellow Case Presentations started. It was my day and I must admit I was a little bit nervous. It went well, but I would like to have some feedback, i.e. explanations of what was good and what should be improved.

After dinner, there was a very happy group of fellows in the Armenian Lounge playing table soccer. And pantomime, of course. But with Narek, there was a lot of Armenian Lounges throughout the whole Arenberg Schloss anyway! ... 😊

Thursday, September 28

Another beautiful morning.

I love my room; it is full of fresh air and sunlight in the morning, filling you with optimism and good energy to start the day. I find that very important.

Great sessions, fulfilled all of my expectations.

After lunch, the Ultrasound Workshop started. I have to note that the concept was very good, but putting it into practice maybe not so, meaning they were too short, and because of that a little bit confusing.

Then went to Schloss Mirabell...oh, what can I say in front of all that beauty, and not to ruin it with words...
Friday, September 29

It’s our last day...how so soon?

We had the last session, then the Post-Seminar Test. I passed. I just wish we had a chance to discuss some of the questions and answers.

Then our last walk to the city. Went to visit Festung Hohensalzburg, took the funicular to climb, it was interesting. Kostja took more beautiful pictures. Then bought some souvenirs and ran to the Arenberg Schloss, we had to prepare ourselves for the Graduation Dinner.

Another group photo before that.

We had dinner and the certificates were awarded in a very nice, but a bit sad atmosphere, only because everything had passed so quickly for all of us.

Went to my room to get packed. This time next evening I’ll be at home.

I left a part of me here...I should come back to pick it up...😊

Special thanks to the staff, they all were absolutely great in every single way!!!

Because the purpose of which we all were here, and because of the importance of knowledge, I decided to write my impressions about the sessions apart from the unofficial daily activities.

So, here they are...

We are a small hospital, but have a lot of oncologic patients on a daily bases, and that includes every day imaging and staging of all kinds of oncologic diseases, so this Seminar was more than useful for me, mainly to refresh my knowledge, revise some scientific facts, to think about every day problems and dilemmas from a different point of view, and especially to learn something new.

All the sessions were very well organized, with a good concept, systematic approach and according to the newest scientific information.

The Attending Case Presentations were also remarkable, some of them very rare and therefore interesting. A lot of take home messages from them for sure.

For every day work, the most useful sessions for me personally, were about RECIST, cervix, endometrium, ovarian and prostate cancer, imaging of bone and soft tissue tumors, spine and head & neck neoplasms. The imaging biomarker in oncology is the topic I have learned from the most.

To summarize, I think I definitely achieved the aim of this medical journey!

I am thankful for the opportunity to be a part of it and hope for a chance to attend it again!

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