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Dear friends of the DRFZ, with freezing temperatures and snow flurries, the last experiments before the year-end are running. An eventful year is almost over. We wish all our readers a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year 2024.



Prof. Dr. Chiara Romagnani

Chiara Romagnani new Director of the Institute of Medical Immunology at Charité

Prof Dr Chiara Romagnani has been appointed Professor of Medical Immunology at Charité - Universitätsmedizin Berlin.

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Upcoming events



Remembering Avrion Mitchison and Award Ceremony

At this year's Avrion Mitchison Award Ceremony, we will remember the first Scientific Director of the DRFZ and look back on the early years of the



7th German Mass Cytometry User Forum (GMCUF) 2024 in Dresden

The DRFZ coordinates the German Mass Cytometry Network. The upcoming network meeting on 25 and 26 January 2024 will take place in

DRFZ together with some of its first staff members.

Dresden. All mass cytometry enthusiasts can register here.

[Program](#)

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Mitchison-Awardee

Timo Rückert from Chiara Romagnani's lab is being awarded this year's Avrion Mitchison Prize for his outstanding research on the development and maintenance of innate immune memory against viral infections in humans.



Dr. Timo Rückert

[Interview with Timo Rückert](#)

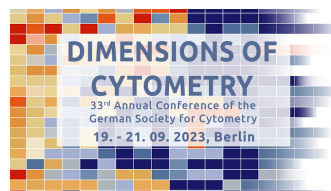
DRFZ events in retrospect



First PhD & MD Day

27.7.23, the first DRFZ PhD Day was an exciting, memorable event with talks, discussions, posters and social activities. Tuan Anh Le from AG Dörner was awarded for the best poster and Sandy Bauherr from AG Hauser for the best presentation.

[Impressions](#)



33. Annual Meeting of the DGfZ: „Dimensions on Cytometry“:

Almost 200 participants, speakers and 20 industry partners made the 33rd Annual Meeting of the German Society for Cytometry in September 2023 an unforgettable event. The current President of the DGfZ is Dr Henrik Mei.

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World-Arthritis-Day,

12.10.23, more than 50 guests followed the joint invitation from the DRFZ, the Rheuma Liga Berlin and the Department of Rheumatology at Charité Mitte to World Arthritis Day. The motto for this year was: "Together against rheumatic diseases: research and clinic in dialogue".

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Science ticker

[NOS inhibition reverses TLR2-induced chondrocyte dysfunction and attenuates age-related osteoarthritis+++++](#) [Immune protection through long-lived plasma](#)

Portraits



Leibniz Magazine: „The Cell Sorter“

The July issue of Leibniz Magazine featured a portrait of Andreas Radbruch discussing his mission: "targeted memory depletion".

Portrait



Leibniz Magazine: Interview with Tilmann Kallinich

In the September issue of the magazine, Tilmann Kallinich explains why it takes far too long to diagnose rheumatic diseases in children.

Portrait

Awards and Honours



Wolfgang Schulze Award for two DRFZ employees

We congratulate Katinka Albrecht & Johanna Callhoff from the DRFZ on being awarded the Wolfgang Schulze Foundation's 2023 Award as part of World Arthritis Day at the DRFZ.

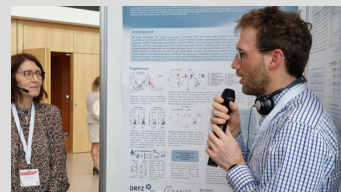
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Awards for two DRFZ researchers at the SFI-DGfI Joint Meeting

This year's Otto Westphal Thesis Prize goes to Timo Rückert, DRFZ, and the Hans Hench Thesis Prize for Clinical Immunology to Lennard Ostendorf, Charité/DRFZ. Congratulations!

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Awards at the DGRH Congress in Leipzig

We congratulate Carl Goetzke, Charité/DRFZ, who was awarded the Experimental Paediatric Rheumatology Research Prize, and Doreen Huschek, DRFZ, for the Scientific Prize in the Epidemiology and Healthcare Research category.

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DRFZ Year Book 2021-2022 is online

The German yearbook can be read as a PDF. For sustainability reasons, it is no longer printed.

[PDF](#)

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Photo of the group leaders' retreat after the new Scientific Director, Eicke Latz, took office.
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