

Foreword

Dear Ladies and Gentlemen,
We would like to invite you to our **4th UROART Symposium on January 22 and 23, 2026** at the University Hospital, Basel.

Are you curious about the latest advancements for your bladder cancer patients?

Then don't miss the 4th UROART Symposium, taking place in Basel on Thursday and Friday, January 22 and 23, 2026!

The event will feature live robotic surgeries, including cystectomy and intracorporeal urinary diversion, performed by the renowned Prof. Wiklund and Dr. Hosseini. The morning will be dedicated to non-muscle-invasive disease, followed by a keynote lecture by Prof. Peter Black on emerging biomarkers essential for guiding treatment decisions. In the afternoon, we will shift the focus to muscle-invasive disease with discussions on promising bladder-preserving strategies, involving collaboration among urologists, oncologists, and radiation oncologists.

We look forward to welcoming you in Basel,


Helge Seifert, MD
Head of Urology


Richard Cathomas, MD
Scientific Board


Cyrill A. Rentsch, MD, PhD
Scientific Board


Thomas J. Lautenschlager
Senior Healthcare Expert

Information & Registration

Event date:

Thursday and Friday, January 22 and 23, 2026

Credits:

6 SGU

Participation fee online registration:

CHF 135.- incl. breaks and standing lunch

CHF 85.- for residents and researchers

Participation fee fax or mail registration:

CHF 140.- incl. breaks and standing lunch

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Registration deadline:

January 21, 2026 (box office thereafter)

Venue:

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Program January 22 - Master Class Robotic

12:30	Registration & Welcome coffee
13:00	Welcome speak <i>Helge Seifert, Prof., University Hospital Basel, Basel, Switzerland</i>
13:00 - 16:30	Block I: Simulator Training and OR Observation Rotation in small Groups General Robotic Skills Training Suturing Techniques Intraoperative Ultrasound Interactive Obervership in the OR: Ask the Surgeon/Nurse/Assistant
13:05	Case Presentations
13:25	Live surgery I: Robotic transperitoneal Pyeloplasty Live surgery II: Robotic Multiport transperitoneal Nephrectomy Live surgery III: Robotic Multiport retroperitoneal Live-surgeryIV: Robotic Multiport retroperitoneal Nephrectomy
13:45	Block II: Basics of Renal Surgery · Specific Anatomy of the Kidney · Diagnostics and Imaging before Renal Surgery · Decision Making and Planning of the Operation · Surgical Access: Transperitoneal or Retroperitoneal
14:25	Live Surgery
14:45	Block III: Basics of Robotic Renal Surgery · Preparation of the Patient · Positioning of the Patient · Trocar Placement · Intraoperative Imaging
15:25	Live Surgery
15:45	Coffee break (<i>industrial exhibiton</i>)
16:10	Live Surgery
16:30	Block IV Basics of Robotic Renal Surgery Dissection of the Hilum, Clamping Techniques Suturing and Hemostatics Management of Complications Postoperative Management
17:10	Closing Remarks <i>Prof. Helge Seifert, Basel</i>
17:15	End of Symposium

Program January 23 - UROART

08:55	Live-Surgery Transperitoneal Multiport Robotic Partial Nephrectomy <i>Prof. Alex Mottrie, Aalst</i> Robotic Multiport Transperitoneal Nephrectomy with IVC Thrombus <i>Prof. Inderbir S. Gill, Los Angeles</i>	13:35	Live-Surgery Robotic Multiport Transperitoneal Nephroureterectomy with LAD <i>Prof. Andrea Minervini</i> Retroperitoneal Multiport Robotic Partial Nephrectomy <i>Prof. Helge Seifert, Basel</i>
ChairsOP-OR: ChairsOP-LH:	<i>PD Pascal Zehnder, Luzern; Prof. Jan Ebbing, Basel</i> <i>Prof. Karen Fransis, Antwerp; Prof. Massimo Valerian, Geneva</i>	ChairsOP-OR: ChairsOP-LH:	<i>Dr. Abolfazl Hosseini, Stockholm; PD Dr. Kathrin Bausch, Basel</i> <i>PD Ashkan Mortezaei, Zürich; Dr. Sveto Subotic, Liestal</i>
09:05	Clamping y/n? Suturing y/n? All About the Technique of Robotic Partial Nephrectomy <i>Prof. Andrea Minervini, Florence</i>	13:40	Systemic Treatment of Renal Cancer: Prof. Axel Bex, London
Chairs:	<i>PD Ilaria Lucca, Lausanne; Prof. Stephan Michel, Mannheim</i>	Chairs:	<i>Prof. Arnulf Stenzl, Tuebingen; Prof. Frank Stenner, Basel</i>
09:35	Live-Surgery	14:10	Live-Surgery
09:45	Complex Robotic Partial Nephrectomy: Tipps and Tricks <i>Prof. Anant Kumar, New Delhi</i>	14:20	Molecular Differences between Bladder and Upper Tract Urothelial Cancer: <i>Prof. Arndt Hartmann, Erlangen</i>
Chairs:	<i>PD Ilaria Lucca, Lausanne; Prof. Stephan Michel, Mannheim</i>	Chairs:	<i>Prof. Arnulf Stenzl, Tuebingen; PD Tatjana Vlajnic, Basel</i>
10:15	Live-Surgery	14:40	Systemic Treatment of Upper Tract Urothelial Cancer <i>Prof. Richard Cathomas, Chur</i>
10:25	Single Port Robotic Partial Nephrectomie <i>Prof. Paolo Gontero, Turin</i>	Chairs:	<i>Prof. Arnulf Stenzl, Tuebingen; Prof. Cyrill Rentsch, Basel</i>
Chairs:	<i>PD Ilaria Lucca, Lausanne; Prof. Stephan Michel, Mannheim</i>	15.10	Coffee break (<i>industrial exhibiton</i>)
10:50	Live-Surgery	15:30	Live-Surgery
11:00	Coffee break (<i>industrial exhibiton</i>)	15:40	Endoscopic Management of Upper Tract Urothelial Carcinoma <i>Prof. Marianne Brehmer, Stockholm</i>
11:20	Live-Surgery	Chairs:	<i>Prof. Thomas Herrmann, Frauenfeld; Dr. Adrian Masaeli, Basel</i>
11:30	Fire Debate: Small Renal Masses ≤3cm a) Active Surveillance b) Focal Ablation c) Stereotactic Body Radio Therapy d) Partial Nephrectomy <i>a) Dr. Anas Elyan, Basel</i> <i>b) Tommy K. Nielsen, Aalborg</i> <i>c) Prof. Matthias Guckenberger, Zürich</i> <i>d) Prof. Paolo Gontero, Turin</i>	16:10	Live-Surgery
Chairs:	<i>Swiss Residents in Urology</i>	16:20	Keynote Lecture II: Management of Complex Cases for Robotic Nephrectomy. How Far Can We Go? <i>Prof. Inderbir S. Gill</i>
12:10	Keynote Lecture L: The Evolution of Robotic Partial Nephrectomy" <i>Prof. Alex Mottrie</i>	Chairs:	<i>PD Pascal Zehnder, Luzern; Prof. Helge Seifert, Basel</i>
Chair:	<i>Prof. Helge Seifert</i>	16:50	Panel Discussion: Future Role of Robotic Surgery in Renal Carcinoma All Faculty Members
12:40	Live-Surgery	Chairs:	<i>Prof. Helge Seifert, Basel</i>
12:50	Lunch (<i>industrial exhibiton</i>)	17:10	Closing Remarks <i>Prof. Helge Seifert, Basel</i>