



5th UROART Symposium 2027

January 28 and 29, 2027

University Hospital Basel, Department of Urology

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Dear Ladies and Gentlemen,

It is our pleasure to invite you to the **5th UROART Symposium**, taking place on **January 28–29, 2027** at the **University Hospital Basel**.

The 2027 edition of UROART will focus on one of the most dynamic and rapidly evolving fields in urology: the management of localized prostate cancer.

The symposium will begin on January 28 with the UROART Bootcamp, a dedicated educational course on robot-assisted radical prostatectomy (RARP). Through expert lectures, live surgery, and interactive panel discussions, participants will gain practical insights into robotic platforms, surgical techniques, learning strategies, and the management of challenging intraoperative situations.

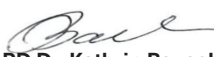
On January 29, the scientific symposium will bring together internationally recognized experts to discuss the latest advances in prostate cancer diagnosis and treatment. The program will feature live robotic surgeries, keynote lectures, and interactive discussions covering contemporary imaging, prostate biopsy strategies, neoadjuvant treatment concepts, biomarker-guided decision making, and personalized treatment selection. A multidisciplinary treatment debate highlighting surgery, radiotherapy, and focal therapy will provide a comprehensive overview of current therapeutic options for localized prostate cancer.

The UROART Symposium continues to serve as an international platform for innovation, education, and collaboration, bringing together leading experts to share their experience and discuss emerging concepts that are shaping the future of prostate cancer care.

We are delighted to welcome distinguished faculty from across Europe and beyond and look forward to welcoming you to Basel for two inspiring days of education, scientific exchange, and collegial discussion.

We look forward to seeing you in Basel.


Prof. Helge Seifert
Head of Urology


PD Dr. Kathrin Bausch
Scientific Board


Thomas J. Lautenschlager
Senior Healthcare Expert

11:30 Uhr	Registration & Welcome coffee
12:00 Uhr	Welcome Address <i>Prof. Helge Seifert, Basel, Switzerland</i>
12:10 Uhr	Robotic platforms comparison: Xi, Dv5, and SP - choosing the right tool <i>Prof. Dr. med. Christian Fankhauser, Winterthur, Switzerland</i>
12:40 Uhr	Live surgery: prostatectomy unplugged: a step-by-step guide to RARP <i>Prof. Dr. Jochen Walz, Marseille, France</i> <i>Prof. Dr. Tobias Maurer, Hamburg, Germany</i>
14:30 Uhr	Coffee break and industry exhibition
15:00 Uhr	Keynote lecture: How do we learn RARP? Strategies for surgical proficiency <i>Prof. Dr. Jochen Walz, Marseille, France</i> <i>Prof. Dr. Tobias Maurer, Hamburg, Germany</i>
15:30 Uhr	Case presentation: nightmares in RARP <i>Dr. med. Robin Ruszat, Basel, Switzerland</i> <i>Dr. med. Svetozar Subotic, Basel, Switzerland</i> <i>Dr. med. Christian Engesser, Basel Switzerland</i>
16:00 Uhr	Panel discussion: Complications in RARP - what experts don't show <i>Prof. Dr. Jochen Walz, Marseille, France</i> <i>Prof. Dr. Tobias Maurer, Hamburg, Germany</i> <i>Dr. med. Robin Ruszat, Basel, Switzerland</i> <i>Dr. med. Svetozar Subotic, Basel, Switzerland</i> <i>Representatives of Swiss Residents in Urology</i>
16:30 Uhr	Closing remarks <i>Prof. Helge Seifert, Basel, Switzerland</i>

Program January 29 - UroArt Symposium

08:30 Uhr **Registration & Welcome coffee**
Prof. Helge Seifert, Basel, Switzerland

08:45 Uhr **Welcome Address**
Prof. Helge Seifert, Basel, Switzerland

09:00 -12:15 Uhr **LIVE SURGERY**

09:00 Uhr **Live surgery 1**
Retzius Sparing
Prof. Karen Fransis, Antwerp, Belgium

09:15 Uhr **MRI vs. Micro-Ultrasound: who owns prostate imaging—urologists or radiologists?**
Dr. med. Petr Macek, Paris, France

09:40 Uhr **Live surgery 2**
Nerve Sparing
Prof. Prabhakar Rajan, London, UK

10:00 Uhr **PSMA PET – Clinical revolution or diagnostic overuse?**
Prof. Dr. Jochen Walz, Marseille, France

Chairs: *Prof. Dr. Tobias Maurer, Hamburg, Germany*
Prof. Andreas Skolarikos, Athens, Greece

10:30 Uhr **Coffee break and industry exhibition**

11:00 Uhr **Live surgery 1**
Live surgery 2

11:15 Uhr **Keynote presentation: To biopsy or not? - mastering patient selection in the Era of AI**
Prof. Caroline Moore, London, UK

11:45 Uhr **Live surgery 1**
Live surgery 2

12:15 Uhr **Lunch and industry exhibition**

13:15 Uhr **Live surgery 3**
Single Port Surgery
Prof. Dr. med. Agostino Mattei, Lucerne, Switzerland

Chair: *Dr. Tay Kae Jack, Singapore*
Prof. Dr. med. Christian Gratzke, Freiburg, Germany

13:30 Uhr - 15:00 Uhr **Optimizing treatment in localized prostate cancer: Who, when and why**

13:30 Uhr **Neoadjuvant therapy in localized prostate cancer: patient selection & rationale**
Prof. Steven Joniau, Leuven, Belgium

14:00 Uhr **Rapid fire session - Biomarker-driven decision making: translating prostate cancer genomics into practice**
Representatives of Swiss Residents in Urology

14:30 Uhr **Live surgery 3**

15:00 Uhr **Coffee break and industry exhibition**

15:30 Uhr - 17:15 Uhr **Tailoring therapy: Mastering personalized prostate cancer treatment selection**

15:30 Uhr **Option 1: Focal therapy**
Dr. Tay Kae Jack, Singapore

15:45 Uhr **Option 2: Radiotherapy**
Dr. Alison Tree, Sutton, UK

16:00 Uhr **Option 3: Surgery**
Prof. Prabhakar Rajan, London, UK

16:15 Uhr **The prostate cancer treatment showdown: three approaches, one decision**

Chair: *Prof. Dr. Jochen Walz, Marseille, France*
Prof. Caroline Moore, London, UK

17:15 Uhr **Closing remarks**
Prof. Helge Seifert, Basel, Switzerland

17:15 Uhr **End of Symposium**

Speakers

Dr. med. Christian Engesser
Universitätsspital, Basel

Prof. Dr. med. Christian Fankhauser
Kantonsspital Winterthur

Prof. Karen Fransis
Antwerp University Hospital

Prof. Steven Joniau
University Hospitals Leuven

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Institut Mutualiste Montsouris, Paris

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Dr. Tay Kae Jack Singapore
General Hospital

Prof. Dr. Jochen Walz Institut
Paoli-Calmettes, Marseille

Information & Registration

Event date: Thursday and Friday, January 28 & 29, 2027

Credits: 12 SGU

Participation fees:

• **Thursday:** CHF 65 (all participants)

• **Friday:** CHF 110 (residents) / CHF 140 (specialists)

• **Combination Ticket** (Thursday & Friday):
CHF 160 (residents) / CHF 195 (specialists)

Venue:
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