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INVITATION / REGISTRATION

EXPERT Anatomy Dystonia & Sialorrhea

Bern, 14th of November 2026

at the Institute of Anatomy, Bühlstrasse 26, 3012 Bern

Meeting Rationale:

The management of dystonia and sialorrhea requires experience and skills in a range of practical aspects. To ensure safe usage and optimal treatment response with botulinum toxin therapy, target structures must be correctly localized and injected. The objective of this course is to foster the use of ultrasound as a guiding technique for injections on cadavers, with a particular focus on cranial, cervical, and salivary regions. Our experts will answer your questions and guide you through the challenges of botulinum toxin treatment to increase your confidence in daily practice.

Speakers

Prof. Dr. Laurent Tatu
University Professor of Anatomy, Hospital Practitioner in Neurology, Head of the Neuromuscular Pathology Department at the Centre Hospitalier Universitaire (Besançon, France) and Coordinator of the Anatomy Laboratory (Université de Franche-Comté, France).

Prof. Dr. Georg Kägi
Chief Physician at the Center for Parkinson's Disease and Movement Disorders (ZPfB), University Clinic for Neurology, Inselspital Bern. Pioneer in the treatment of patients with movement disorders using highly focused ultrasound (MRgFUS).

Dr. Julia Waskönig
Head of Botulinum Toxin Consultation, Center for Parkinson's Disease and Movement Disorders (ZPfB), University Clinic for Neurology, Inselspital Bern. Diagnosis and treatment of movement disorders and the medical-therapeutic use of botulinum toxin for dystonia and spasticity.

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Part I Theory: Head and neck dystonia & sialorrhea / anatomy & ultrasound

09:00 – 09:15	**WELCOME & INTRODUCTION**
09:15 – 10:45	• Prof. Dr. Georg Kägi - *Dystonia phenomenology / classification* • Dr. Julia Waskönig - *Botulinumtoxin in cervical dystonia and sialorrhea, ultrasound-guided injection techniques* • Prof. Dr. Laurent Tatu - *Topographical and functional anatomy, including relevant anatomical landmarks*
10:45 – 11:00	**COFFE BREAK**
11:00 – 12:30	• Prof. Dr. Laurent Tatu - *Anatomical demonstration on cadavers* • Dr. Julia Waskönig - *Ultrasound-guided injection techniques cervical dystonia and sialorrhea on a model*
12:30 – 13:15	**LUNCH BREAK**

THEORY

Part II Hands on Training: Head and neck dystonia & sialorrhea / anatomy & ultrasound

13:15 – 16:45	• Prof. Dr. Laurent Tatu & Dr. Julia Waskönig: *Practical laboratory work – ultrasound-guided injection techniques on cadavers*
16:45 – 17:00	**CLOSING & DEPARTURE**

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