

## Agenda

### Day 1

09:00 – 10:00	Registration of participants & coffee
10:00 – 10:20	Welcome & goals of the Workshop
10:20 – 10:40	Biofilm: the good, the bad and the ugly
10:40 – 11:00	Interdisciplinary approach for PJI treatment
11:00 – 11:30	Discussion
11:30 – 12:00	Coffee break
12:00 – 12:20	Algorithmic approach for PJI treatment
12:20 – 12:40	Diagnostic algorithm for PJI
12:40 – 13:00	Systemic antimicrobial treatment
13:00 – 13:30	Discussion
13:30 – 14:20	Lunch
14:20 – 15:20	Therapy of PJI:
	• Algorithmic approach in PJI
	• Surgical approaches: State of the art
15:20 – 15:50	Discussion
15:50 – 16:15	Coffee break
16:15 – 16:30	Principles of antibiotic loaded bone cement
16:30 – 18:00	Hands-on-workshops (two groups in parallel):
	1) Preparation of antimicrobial-loaded bone cement
	2) Demonstration of sonication & biofilm detection methods
From 19:00	Dinner (not included in the registration fee)

### Day 2

08:30 – 09:00	Coffee (meet the experts informally)
09:00 – 09:20	Experience with war injuries from Ukraine
09:20 – 09:40	Hematogenous origin of PJI
09:40 – 09:55	Most common errors
09:55 – 10:10	TBD
10:10 – 10:40	Discussion
10:40 – 11:10	Coffee break
11:10 – 11:30	TBD
11:30 – 11:50	TBD
11:50 – 12:05	Hands-on demonstration
12:05 – 12:20	Participants' cases
12:20 – 13:00	Discussion & wrap-up

Please note that the program is tentative and may be changed without notice.

## Organizational details

**Workshop language:** English

**Course fee:** 480.00 € (early bird rate until 30 days prior to the workshop) / 520.00 € (regular registration)

**CME credits:** Course in November 2025: Approved with **11 CME credits** by the Medical Chamber Berlin. Other courses: Applied for approval by the Medical Chamber Berlin and Ethical MedTech.

**Certificate:** Participants will receive a certificate of participation.

**Educational material:** All participants will receive all presentations of the speakers of the workshop, the latest version of the *Pocket Guide to Diagnosis & Treatment of Periprosthetic Joint Infection (PJI)* as well as a selection of relevant publications related to PJI.

**Group size:** 40-50 participants

Participants are encouraged to actively participate in case discussions by presenting own cases (approx. 5 slides).

**Registration:** <https://pro-implant.org/workshops/>

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### Target audience:

Clinicians and life-science researchers with advanced knowledge and interest in implant-associated infections of the following specialties (or enrolled in an educational program):

- Traumatology, orthopedic or related surgery dealing with implants
- Internal medicine, (micro)biology, infectious diseases or related fields dealing with biofilms and antibiotics
- Pharmacy, pharmacology or related fields dealing with pharmacokinetics/pharmacodynamics

Ideally, a complementary team from individual institutions should attend the same workshop, i.e. orthopedic/trauma surgeon and microbiologist/infectious diseases specialist.



# Workshop on Management of Periprosthetic Joint Infection (PJI)

Berlin, Germany

**April 27 – 28, 2026**  
**October 26 – 27, 2026**

### Faculty:

#### **Prof. Dr. med. Andrej Trampuz**

Royal Brisbane and Women's Hospital (RBWH) and Queensland University of technology (QUT), Australia

#### **Prof. Dr. Maik Stiehler**

University Hospital Dresden, Germany

#### **Dr. med. Sebastian Meller**

Charité - University Medicine Berlin, Germany

# Welcome

Dear colleagues, dear friends,

It is our great pleasure to invite you to our Workshops on Management of Periprosthetic Joint Infection (PJI) in Berlin.

Our goal is to provide you the most up-to-date and best evidence-based knowledge in pathogenesis, diagnosis, treatment and prevention of prosthetic joint infection. We put a special emphasis on the interdisciplinary teamwork, open discussions and practical advice for the routine clinical work.

Since the establishment of the PRO-IMPLANT Foundation in 2013, we have constantly improved the quality of lectures, broadened the content and strived to acquire the best international experts in the field. Practical hands-on sessions, case discussions and interactive lectures are specially designed to share experience and interact with other participants. The interest in our workshops is steadily increasing in countries all over the world, demonstrating the interest and need for such an educational format.

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This is why the PRO-IMPLANT Foundation is tremendously honored to continue fulfilling its mission and commitment to support international research, medical education, global networking and patient care.

We are very pleased to welcome you to one of our next workshops on periprosthetic joint infection to fulfill this aim together.

Yours sincerely,



Prof. Dr. med. Andrej Trampuz  
Chair, Executive Board



## The goal: Advancing knowledge

To review, update and advance the theoretical and practical knowledge in prevention, diagnosis and treatment of implant-associated infections. At the end of the workshop, participants should be able to generate a rational and efficient management plan in an interdisciplinary team.

## The challenge: Biofilm and implants

Implant-associated infections occur in 1-5% after primary and up to 20-30% after revision surgery. Bacteria grow on medical devices as biofilm, making them difficult to detect and to eradicate. These infections cause considerable morbidity and increase healthcare costs. An efficient concept can significantly improve the treatment outcome and life quality of patients.

## The solution: Teamwork

The key to success is an interdisciplinary approach integrating the latest evidence, clinical experience and innovations in diagnosis, local and systemic antimicrobials and surgical techniques.

## Topics of discussion

- Epidemiology & implant registries: Primary and revision arthroplasty
- The importance of animal
- Diagnosis: microbiology, cytology, histology, imaging
- Prevention of infection
- Surgical and antimicrobial therapy
- Therapeutic options for difficult-to-treat organisms
- Local antimicrobial therapy, drug delivery systems, bone substitutes and bone grafts
- Osteomyelitis and septic arthritis, incl. cruciate ligament infections
- Guidelines of international societies
- Hematogenous infection
- Early postoperative infection: when to revise hematoma
- Delayed (low-grade) infection: diagnostic difficulties and treatment options
- Chronic painful joint without obvious signs of infection and repeated negative microbiology
- Culture-negative infections: To treat or not to treat
- Difficult surgical cases: multiple revisions, compromised soft tissues, insufficient bone stock, persistent infection
- Typical mistakes leading to treatment failure



## Venue

Langenbeck-Virchow-Haus (Aesculap Akademie, 5<sup>th</sup> floor)  
Luisenstraße 58/59  
10117 Berlin, Germany

## Local Public Transport

Subway: U6 – “Oranienburger Tor”  
U55 – “Hauptbahnhof”  
Train: S1, S2, S25, S5, S7, S75 – “Friedrichstraße”  
S5, S7, S75 – “Hauptbahnhof”  
Tram: 12, M1, M5 – “Oranienburger Tor”  
M5, M8, M10 – “Hauptbahnhof”  
Bus: 147, TXL – “Charité – Campus Mitte”

## Parking

APCOA Underground Car Park  
Luisenstraße 47-52  
10117 Berlin, Germany

## Accommodation

All hotel bookings must be arranged by participants themselves. Participants can book rooms to a special rate in the Adina Apartment Hotel Berlin Mitte under this [link](#) (according to availability).

