

Symposium Deep Focus on Movement Disorders

Thursday, September 4, 2025, 14:00–18:00

**Bellevue Palace,
Bern**
The event only
takes place on site



Dear colleagues,

On the occasion of the newly announced strategic partnership between the Insel Group and the Swiss Medical Network, we are pleased to invite you to the interdisciplinary symposium «Deep Focus on Movement Disorders», taking place on September 4, 2025, at the Bellevue Palace in Bern.

This in-person event will focus on recent advances and clinical applications of cutting-edge therapies such as MRgFUS (Magnetic Resonance-guided Focused Ultrasound) and DBS (Deep Brain Stimulation). Discussions will center on how these technologies are shaping the treatment landscape for patients with Essential Tremor and Parkinson's disease.

An international panel of experts will present current evidence, share clinical experiences, and offer insights into future perspectives – including the potential of focused ultrasound to open the blood-brain barrier.

We look forward to welcoming you for an afternoon of exchange, inspiration, and innovation.

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Program

14:00–14:10	Welcome and Opening Remarks Urs Fischer & Andreas Raabe
14:10–14:30	Introduction: Functional Neurosurgery for Movement Disorders Evidence for MRgFUS Georg Kägi Evidence for DBS Ines Debove
14:30–15:00	DBS vs MRgFUS: Clinical Workflow DBS: How we do it? Claudio Pollo MRgFUS: How we do it? Marc Gallay
15:00–15:30	Which Treatment for Which Patient: MRgFUS, DBS, or Gamma Knife? Lain González
15:30–16:00	Coffee Break
16:00–16:45	Stanford Experience with FUS Technology in the Brain and Body: Current and Future Applications Pejman Ghanouni
16:45–17:30	Focused Ultrasound in Neurooncology: Advances and Perspectives Francesco Prada
17:30–18:00	Round Table with all Speakers Moderation: Georg Kägi, Claudio Pollo, Marc Gallay
18:00	Aperitif

Credits

SNG 4 Credits, SGAIM, SGNC (requested)

Speakers

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General information

The event only takes place on site at the Bellevue Palace in Bern.
Please register by August 27, 2025, using the [registration form](#).

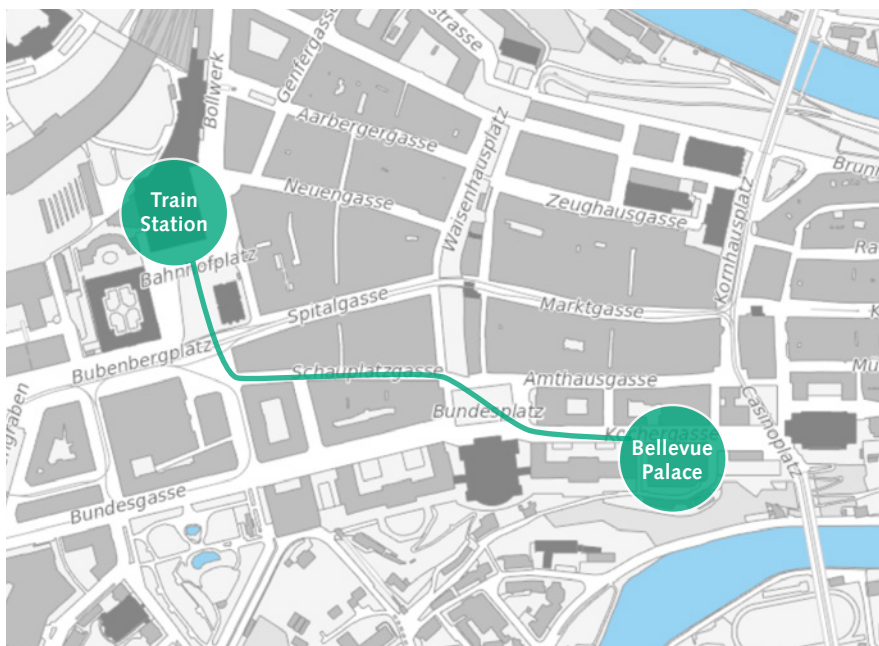
Participation is free of charge.

Directions

Bellevue Palace
Kochergasse 3–5
3010 Bern

Travelling by car and coming from Basel/Zurich, head for Interlaken/Thun and take the Bern Ostring exit. Follow signs for Zentrum, then Casino and turn into Jungfraustrasse. Cross the Kirchenfeldbrücke bridge towards Casinoplatz. Turn into Amthausgasse. Go around Bundesplatz into Kochergasse.

If you come by train, after arriving at Bern station, take a 5-minute walk or tram line 6, 7, 8 or 9 to Zytglogge.



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