UNIVERSITY CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL ZURICH

The hospital of the Eleonore Foundation

Universität Zürich[UZH]

USZ Universitäts Spital Zürich

II. ZFMM 2026

ZURICH INTERNATIONAL SYMPOSIUM ON FETO-MATERNAL MEDICINE



NOVEMBER 19-20 2026

WORLD'S BEST SPECIALIZED HOSPITALS 2026
OBSTETRICS & GYNECOLOGY
Newsweek
statista

Department of Obstetrics

INFORMATION

THE SYMPOSIUM



THE SYMPOSIUM

The 2nd Zurich International Symposium on Feto-Maternal Medicine (ZFMM) will take place November 19-20, 2026 in the lecture hall of the University Hospital Zurich. The ZFMM brings together world leading experts to discuss practical solutions of current challenges in the field of feto-maternal medicine.

SWISS FETUS - SCIENTIFIC WORK

In 2010, as one of the first centers in Europe, fetal spina bifida repair was introduced. Since then, more than 200 mothers and fetuses have undergone surgery at our center in Zurich. Through systematic follow-up of every operated fetus up to the age of 16 years, the Zurich Center (www.swissfetus.ch)
provides a unique prise en charge for these patients and their families, offering an unparalleled opportunity for outcome assessment and quality control.
This comprehensive data collection, together with detailed prenatal data—particularly in ultrasound diagnostics—has enabled several studies aimed at refining treatment approaches and improving outcome prediction for these children. This highly regarded scientific work has contributed significantly to advances in treatment and counseling strategies.
In addition to fetal spina bifida therapy, the Zurich Center for Fetal Diagnosis and Therapy offers a broad spectrum of prenatal diagnostic and therapeutic services.

REGISTRATION

Registration for the ZFMM conference will be available starting in March 2026.
The early bird registration fee of CHF 350.00 will be available until August 31, 2026.

Regular registration: CHF 390.00
Reduced fees:

CHF 200.00 for resident physicians and midwives
CHF 50.00 for students

PARTNER AND SPONSORS

A sincere thank you to our partners, sponsors, and exhibitors.

CREDITS

SGGG: 11 credits (2 days)
SSAPM: 6 credits
SGUM: 5 credits (Thursday), 5 credits (Friday)
DEGUM: Certification in Germany – receipt of a grey DEGUM quality badge
Medical Associations (Germany): Baden-Württemberg and Bavaria
After the event, participants from Baden-Württemberg and Bavaria may submit their certificate of attendance and the event program to the respective authorities: via email to auslandsfortbildungen@laek-bw.de for Baden-Württemberg, and electronically to the Bavarian Medical Association.
There is also an agreement between the Swiss Medical Association and both federal states, meaning that continuing education credits from Switzerland are recognized.
Akademie der Ärzte, Vienna
After the event, participants from Vorarlberg may submit their certificate of attendance and the event program via email to dfp@arztakademie.at, following the same procedure as above.
e-log (midwives and nursing staff): 10 log points

ZFMM 2028

We are pleased to announce that the III Zurich International Symposium on Feto-Maternal Medicine will take place on November 9–10, 2028, in Zurich.
Registration for the conference will open in March 2028.
We look forward to welcoming you again in 2028!

LOCATION

Universitätsspital Zurich, Grosser Hörsaal NORD1
Frauenklinikstrasse 10—Eingang NORD1



ACCOMODATION

There is a number of hotel rooms reserved for participants of the conference with reduced ZFMM-rates. Please note that booking rooms with reduced rates is possible until mid of August 2026 and subject to availability!

PLATTENHOF HOTEL
www.plattenhof.ch
044 251 19 10

ABSTRACT submission

Abstract submission on these topics will be open from June 1 to August 1, 2026.
to: adriana.schellenbaum@usz.ch

THURSDAY 19th NOVEMBER 2026

13.00 - 14.00	Registration/Welcome Desk
14.00	Introduction *Prof. Nicole Ochsenbein*
14.10-14.35	Fetal brain - what should be seen? *PD Kai Heling*
14.35-15.00	FGR correct diagnosis in singletons & twins *Prof. Christian Bamberg*
15.00-15.25	Management of sFGR in singletons & twins *Prof. Philipp Klaritsch*
15.25-15.50	Ethics in fetal therapy and prenatal management *Dr. Joanne Verweij*
15.50-16.10	Coffee Break
16.10-16.35	Spina Bifida Center Zurich - prenatal Ultrasound and Outcome prediction *PD Ladina Vonzun*
16.35-16.45	EXTEND - Ready to implement the artificial placenta? *Dr. Julia Wawrla-Zepf*
16.45-17.10	Twin case *Dr. Ladina Campana-Rüegg*
17.10-17.35	Risk stratification, diagnosis & therapy of TTTS and TAPS *Prof. Liesbeth Lewi*
17.35-18.00	Robotic fetoscopy in twins *Prof. Ueli Möhrlen*
18.00	Apéro

QUESTIONS FOR THE SPEAKERS

FOR YOUR NOTES

ZFMM 2026

FRIDAY

20th NOVEMBER 2026

08.00	Introduction *Prof. Martin Ehrbar*
08.05-08.30	Membrane Repair Mechanisms: What We Know So Far *Dr. Tina Chowdhury*
08.30-08.55	PPROM: Understanding the Clinical Burden and Current Management *Prof. Anna David*
08.55-09.20	A Proteomic Approach to study amnion aging *Dr. Katharina Gegenschatz-Schmid*
09.20-09.35	Advancing Minimally Invasive Precision Surgery in Large Open Cavities with Robotic Flexible Endoscopy *Dr. Michelle Mattille*
09.35-10.15	Coffee Break
10.15-10.40	Strategies to Prevent iPPROM *Lukas Moser*
10.40-11.05	Engineered Regenerative Biomaterials for the Healing of Fetal Membrane Defects *Rodi Odabasi*
11.05-11.30	Repair of ruptured amnion *Haruta Mogami*
11.30-13.00	Lunch Break
13.00-13.30	Fetal membrane biology and its failure, contributing to pathology *Prof. Ramkumar Menon*



PD Dr. Luca Mazzone (not pictured) PD Dr. Sasha Tharakan— Dr. Hannah Neeser— PD Dr. Ladina Vonzun— Prof. Nicole Ochsenbein— Nele Strübing— Prof. Ueli Möhrlen

As an interdisciplinary team of experienced specialists, we offer your expectant mother and her unborn child state-of-the-art diagnostic and therapeutic care **www.swissfetus.ch**

swiss fetus

FRIDAY 20th NOVEMBER 2026

13.30-13.50	Newest genetic analysis - what you should know *Prof. Anita Rauch*
13.50-14.10	Abnormalities of the Sex Chromosomes - prenatal Diagnosis, Counseling and Outcome *Dr. Ivonne Bedei*
14.10-14.30	Fetal face - diagnostic clues and pathologic findings *Prof. Florian Faschingbauer*
14.30-14.50	New fetal shunt - for whom and why *Dr. Enrico Danzer*
14.50-15.10	Special heart case *Dr. Flurina Famos*
15.10-15.30	History of and Overview on fetal therapy *Prof. Jan Deprest*
15.30-16.00	Coffee Break
16.00-16.25	Blood group incompatibility - new therapies *Dr. Emeline Maisonneuve*
16.25-16.50	Robotics in fetal surgery *Dr. Tim Van Mieghem*
16.50-17.15	Treatment of fetal heart defects - for whom and how? *Dr. Iris Scharnreitner*
17.15-17.40	Stem cell therapy in the prenatal treatment of spina bifida *Dr. Lucie Guilbaud*
17.40-18.00	Discussion

GE HealthCare

Ihr Voluson Team in der Schweiz



Systemberatung:



Roland Cancino
Mobil: +41 79 344 97 26
roland.cancino@gehealthcare.com



Pasquale Carone
Mobil: +41 79 821 59 36
pasquale.carone@gehealthcare.com



René Padrun
Mobil: +41 79 447 23 22
rene.padrun@gehealthcare.com



Jan Hemmers (ViewPoint)
Mobil: +41 79 550 98 51
jan.hemmers@gehealthcare.com

Applikation:



Ulrike Heckrodt
Mobil: +41 79 967 53 11
ulrike.heckrodt@gehealthcare.com



Monika Hottinger
Mobil: +41 79 722 70 14
monika.hottinger@gehealthcare.com



Barna Abraham
Mobil: +41 79 532 86 65
barna.abraham@gehealthcare.com



Chiara Fontana
Mobil: +41 79 478 64 98
chiara.fontana@gehealthcare.com

Applikation:



Chayenne Garcia
Mobil: +41 79 600 02 35
chayenne.garcia@gehealthcare.com



Regula Greco
Mobil: +41 79 691 27 66
regula.greco@gehealthcare.com

Weitere Informationen finden Sie unter: **gehealthcare-ultrasound.com**

GE Medical Systems (Schweiz) AG I Europa-Str. 31 I 8152 Glattbrugg I JB00566CH

FACULTY THE SYMPOSIUM



Prof. Christian Bamberg — Medical University of Vienna
Division of Obstetrics and Feto-Maternal Medicine

Dr. Ivonne Bedei — University Hospital Giessen
Head of Adolescent Gynecology — Consultant Maternal-Fetal Medicine

Dr. Ladina Campana-Rüegg — University Hospital Zürich
Senior Consultant

Dr. Tina Chowdhury (PhD, SFHEA) — Queen Mary University of London
Reader in Regenerative Medicine

Dr. Enrico Danzer — Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center, New York
Pediatric Surgeon

Prof. Anna David — University College London
Director EGA Institute for Women's Health

Prof. Jan Deprest — KU Leuven
Professor in Obstetrics&Gynaecology

Prof. Martin Ehrbar — University Hospital Zurich
Head of Research, Dept. of Obstretics

Dr. Flurina Famos — University Hospital Zurich
Fellow

Prof. Florian Faschingbauer — University Hospital Erlangen
Senior Consultant

Dr. Katharina Gegenschatz-Schmid — University Hospital Zurich
Senior Scientist

Dr. Lucie Guibaud — Hôpital Armand-Trousseau Paris
Gynaecology&Obstetrics

PD Kai-Sven Heling — Center of Prenatal Diagnosis Berlin
Specialist in Obestetrics&Gynaecology

Prof. Philipp Klaritsch — Medical University of Graz
Head of Research unit for Fetal medicine

FACULTY THE SYMPOSIUM



Prof. Liesbeth Lewi — University Hospitals Leuven
Head of the Mulitiple Pregnancy Service

Dr. Emeline Maisonneuve — University Hospital Zurich
Senior Consultant

Dr. Michelle Mattille — ETH Zürich
Medical Robotics Researcher (Postdoc)

Prof. Ramkumar Menon — The University of Texas Medical Branch at Galveston
Dept.of Obstetrics&Gynaecology

Prof. Ueli Möhrlen — University Children's Hospital
Director of surgery

Prof. Haruta Mogami — Kyoto University
Director, Dept. Women's Health Medical Sciences

Lukas Moser — University Hospital Zurich
Doctoral student, Dept. of Obstretics

Prof. Nicole Ochsenbein — University Hospital Zurich
Director Dept. of Obstretics

Rodi Odobasi — University Hospital Zurich
Doctoral student, Dept. of Obstretics

Prof. Anita Rauch — University of Zurich
Director Institute of Medical Genetics

Dr. Iris Scharnreitner — Kepler University Hospital
Senior Consultant for Feto-Maternal Medicine

Dr. Tim Van Mieghem — Mount Sinai Hospital Toronto
Maternal-fetal medicine specialist

Dr. Joanne Verweij — Leiden University Medical Center
Maternal-fetal medicine specialist

PD Ladina Vonzun — University Hospital Zurich
Senior Consultant for Feto-Maternal Medicine

Dr. Julia Wawrla-Zepf — Children's Hospital of Philadelphia
Research Fellow

Ärztliches Kader der Klinik für Geburtshilfe

USZ Universitäts Spital Zürich



Nicole Ochsenbein-Kölble
Prof. Dr. med.
Klinikdirektorin
+41 43 253 97 12
nicole.ochsenbein@usz.ch

Schwerpunkt
Fetomaternale Medizin
Schwerpunkt Operative
Gynäkologie und Geburtshilfe
SGUM Kursleiterin



Christian Haslinger
Prof. Dr. med.
Stv. Klinikdirektor
+41 43 253 75 75
christian.haslinger@usz.ch

Schwerpunkt
Fetomaternale Medizin



Verena Bossung
PD Dr. med.
Leitende Oberärztin
+41 43 253 28 47
verena.bossung@usz.ch

Schwerpunkt
Fetomaternale Medizin
Stillberaterin (IBCLC), MHBA



Franziska Krähenmann
Dr. med. em.
Leitende Ärztin
+41 43 253 1619
franziska.kraehenmann@usz.ch

Schwerpunkt
Fetomaternale Medizin
Schwerpunkt Operative
Gynäkologie und Geburtshilfe



Jana Celnarova
Dr. med.
Oberärztin
+41 43 253 32 22
jana.celnarova@usz.ch



Sara Fraydl-Martin
Dr. med.
Oberärztin
+41 43 253 87 23
sara.martin@usz.ch



Julia Herken
Dr. med
Oberärztin

julia.herken@usz.ch



Regina Kuhn
Dr. med.
Oberärztin
+41 43 253 50 53
regina.kuhn@usz.ch



Fabienne Noll
Dr. med.
Oberärztin
+41 43 253 50 11
fabienne.noll@usz.ch

Schwerpunkt
Fetomaternale Medizin



Nina Kimmich
PD Dr. med.
Stv. Klinikdirektorin
+41 43 253 87 05
nina.kimmich@usz.ch

Schwerpunkt
Fetomaternale Medizin



Ladina Vonzun
PD Dr. med.
Leitende Ärztin
+41 43 253 05 55
ladina.vonzun@usz.ch

Schwerpunkt
Fetomaternale Medizin
Schwerpunkt Operative
Gynäkologie und Geburtshilfe
SGUM Kursleiterin/DEGUM II



Emeline Maisonneuve
Dr. med. phD
Leitende Oberärztin
+41 43 253 72 79
emeline.maisonneuve@usz.ch

Schwerpunkt
Fetomaternale Medizin



Ladina Campana-Rüegg
Dr. med.
Oberärztin
+41 43 253 63 86
ladina.campana-rueegg@usz.ch



Christina Coelius
Dr. med.
Oberärztin
+41 43 253 21 52
christina.coelius@usz.ch



Nele Hempel
Dr. med.
Oberärztin
+41 43 253 17 06
nele.hempel@usz.ch



Stylianos Kalimeris
Dr. med.
Oberarzt
+41 43 253 17 08
stylianos.kalimeris@usz.ch

Schwerpunkt
Fetomaternale Medizin



Michael Simon Messerli
Dr. med.
Oberarzt
+41 43 253 15 04
michaelsimon.messerli@usz.ch

Schwerpunkt Operative
Gynäkologie und Geburtshilfe



Elisabetta Ranieri
Dr. med.
Oberärztin
+41 43 253 75 27
elisabetta.ranieri@usz.ch

Anlaufstellen

24/7 Dienst AA	044 255 15 61	
24/7 Dienst/OA	044 255 15 60	
24/7 Gebärabteilung	044 255 53 15	geb.leitstelle@usz.ch
Kliniksekretariat	044 255 51 03	geb.office@usz.ch
Direktionssekretariat	044 255 51 01	angela.marchesi@usz.ch (Mo-Mi)
	044 255 51 01	adriana.schellenbaum@usz.ch (Mi-Fr)
Poliklinik	044 255 51 05	geb.ambulant@usz.ch
Privatsprechstunde	044 255 51 02	geb.praxis@usz.ch

Anschrift

Universitätsspital Zürich
Klinik für Geburtshilfe
Frauenklinikstrasse 10
8091 Zürich

www.usz.ch/geburtshilfe