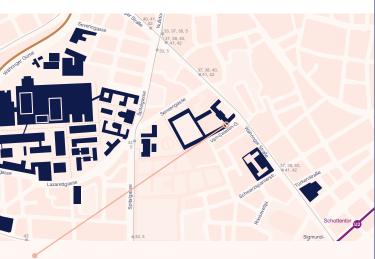
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Dear Colleagues,

It is our great pleasure to welcome you to the 14<sup>th</sup> Austrian Peptide Symposium, bringing together researchers from academia and industry to exchange ideas and share the latest advances in peptide science. The meeting continues a proud tradition of fostering collaboration and innovation across chemistry, biology, and pharmacology within the Austrian and European peptide community.

A highlight of this year's symposium is the presentation of the 5<sup>th</sup> Bachem Award for Peptide Science, recognizing outstanding achievements in the biology and/or chemistry of peptides within the DACH countries and celebrating excellence across our regional research network.

We wish you an inspiring and enjoyable meeting and warmly invite you to join us next year for the 38<sup>th</sup> European Peptide Symposium, which will be held in Vienna from from 6 to 11 September 2026.

With kind regards,

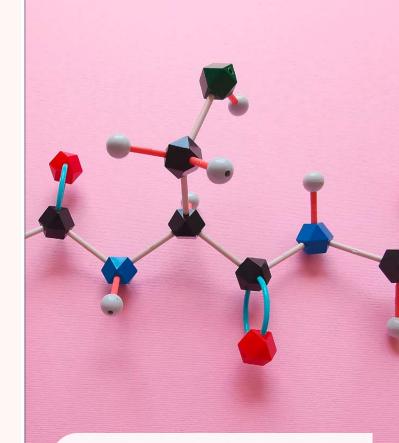
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# Invitation 14<sup>th</sup> Austrian Peptide Symposium

5<sup>th</sup> December 2025

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#### Programme

8.00 - 9.00 am

Registration and poster display

9.00 - 10.30 am

#### Session 1: Peptide and protein chemistry

Chair: Christian Becker, Institute of Biological Chemistry, University of Vienna, Austria

#### Solid phase peptide synthesis of heteromeric catalytic a,d-foldamers

Andre Cobb, Department of Chemistry, King's College London, UK

#### Stepwise design of multifunctional proteins and bimolecular assemblies

Florian Praetorius, Institute for Science and Technology Austria

## Breaking a 60-year-old paradigm in collagen model peptide research

Tomáš Fiala, Masaryk University, Czechia

10.30 – 11.00 am **Coffee break** 

11.00 am - 12.30 pm

## Session 2: Peptide pharmacology and biology

Chair: Christian Gruber, Center for Physiology and Pharmacology, MedUni Vienna, Austria

#### Evolution and diversity of ant venom peptide toxin arsenals

Eivind Undheim, Centre for Ecological and Evolutionary Synthesis, University of Bergen, Norway

#### Prediction of peptide bitter taste

Antonella Di Pizio, Leibniz-Institut für Lebensmittelsystembiologie, TU München, Germany

## Molecular resilience by design: Aromatic interactions and folding as intrinsic stabilizers of peptides and foldamers

András Perczel, Eötvös Loránd University, Hungary

12.30 – 12.35 pm Group photograph

12.35 – 1.15 pm **Lunch break** 

1.15 - 2.15 pm

#### Poster session and industry presentation

Details of the poster session presentations will be announced on site on the day of the event.



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2.15 – 3.30 pm

## Session 3: Hot topics in peptide science – selected from abstracts

Chair: Anne Conibear, Institute of Applied Synthetic Chemistry, TU Vienna, Austria

### Light-fueled competitive exclusion in a protein-catalyzed dissipative peptide replication

Éva Bartus, Department of Medical Chemistry, University of Szeged, Hungary

#### Photocaged neuropeptides for precision studies

Konstantin Raabe, Institute of Biological Chemistry, University of Vienna, Austria

#### Late-Stage functionalization of peptides on the solid phase

Marius Werner, Institute of Organic Chemistry and Institute of Pharmacy and Molecular Biology, Heidelberg University, Germany

# Semi-synthesis of site-specifically modified HMGN1 to explore crosstalk between Ser-phosphorylation and Lys-acetylation in the nucleosome binding domain

Medine Soydan, Institute of Applied Synthetic Chemistry, Faculty of Technical Chemistry, TU Vienna, Austria

#### Probing GPCR signaling using evolutionary conserved invertebrate neuropeptide systems

Simon Hasinger, Center for Physiology and Pharmacology, MedUni Vienna, Austria

## Effects of site-specific glycation on $\alpha$ -synuclein aggregation

Tim Baldensperger, Institute of Biological Chemistry, University of Vienna, Austria

3.30 – 4.00 pm Coffee break 4.00 – 4.45 pm

## Session 4: Peptides in drug discovery and production methods

Chair: Roland Hellinger, Center for Physiology and Pharmacology, MedUni Vienna, Austria

#### Greening peptide purification through replacement of acetonitrile with ethanol

Christian Behn, CEM GmbH, Kamp-Lintfort, Germany

#### Real time electrophysiological analysis of peptide-membrane interactions

Alison Obergrussberger, Nanion Technologies, Munich, Germany

4.45 - 5.30 pm

#### Session 5: Award lecture

Chair: Christian Becker, Institute of Biological Chemistry, University of Vienna, Austria

Christian Gruber, Center for Physiology and Pharmacology, MedUni Vienna, Austria

## Charting the unnatural space: the use of AS-MS in peptide drug discovery

Nathalie Grob, Department of Chemistry, ETH Zürich, Switzerland

5:30 - 6.00 pm

Poster prizes and closing remarks

6.00 - 10.00 pm

Dinner with wine tasting and networking party