

PROGRAM
NEWBORN SCREENING SWITZERLAND
ANNIVERSARY SYMPOSIUM 2026

60 Years of Newborn Screening in Switzerland



**Lecture Hall B, Build. Forschung & Lehre
August-Forel-Strasse 51, 8008 Zürich
Wednesday, 6 May 2026, 14:00 – 17:30 h**

**Anniversary Symposium 2026
60 Years of Newborn Screening
in Switzerland**

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Lecture Hall B, University Children's Hospital Zurich

Dear Sir or Madam

Dear Colleagues

At the end of 1965, the first newborns were tested for phenylketonuria at the University Children's Hospital in Zurich. Since then, newborn screening in Switzerland has enabled around 3'000 children with congenital diseases to benefit from early diagnosis and timely treatment.

To mark the 60th anniversary of newborn screening in Switzerland, we are pleased to invite you to our anniversary symposium on May 6, 2026.

The symposium will highlight the history of the Swiss newborn screening program, the screening tests that have been introduced over the years, as well as current developments and future challenges.

We are very much looking forward to welcoming you!



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Director Research & Education
Professor of Metabolic Diseases
Head of the Division of Metabolism



Dr. Susanna Sluka
Head of Newborn-
Screening Switzerland



Program

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Moderation: Prof. Dr. Matthias Baumgartner & Dr. Susanna Sluka

14:00 60 Years of Newborn Screening Switzerland

Prof. Dr. Matthias Baumgartner
Div. of Metabolism, University Children's Hospital Zurich

14:30 Practical Aspects of Newborn Screening

Dr. Susanna Sluka
Newborn-Screening Switzerland, University Children's Hospital Zurich

15:00 CF Screening

Prof. Dr. Jürg Barben
President Task Force Neonatal CF Screening, SWGCF

15:20 SCID Screening

Dr. Maarja Soomann
Div. of Immunology, University Children's Hospital Zurich

15:40 Coffee Break

16:10 SMA Screening

Dr. David Jacquier
Dep. of Paediatrics, CHUV Lausanne

16:30 Combining Biochemistry and Genetics in the Norwegian Newborn-Screening Program

Dr. Alexander D. Rowe
Div. of Paediatric, Norwegian National Unit for Newborn Screening

17:00 Lessons Learned in the Past and Challenges for the Future

Prof. Dr. Jim Bonham
Dep. of Clinical Chemistry, Sheffield Children's NHS Foundation Trust

17:30 Apéro

Registration

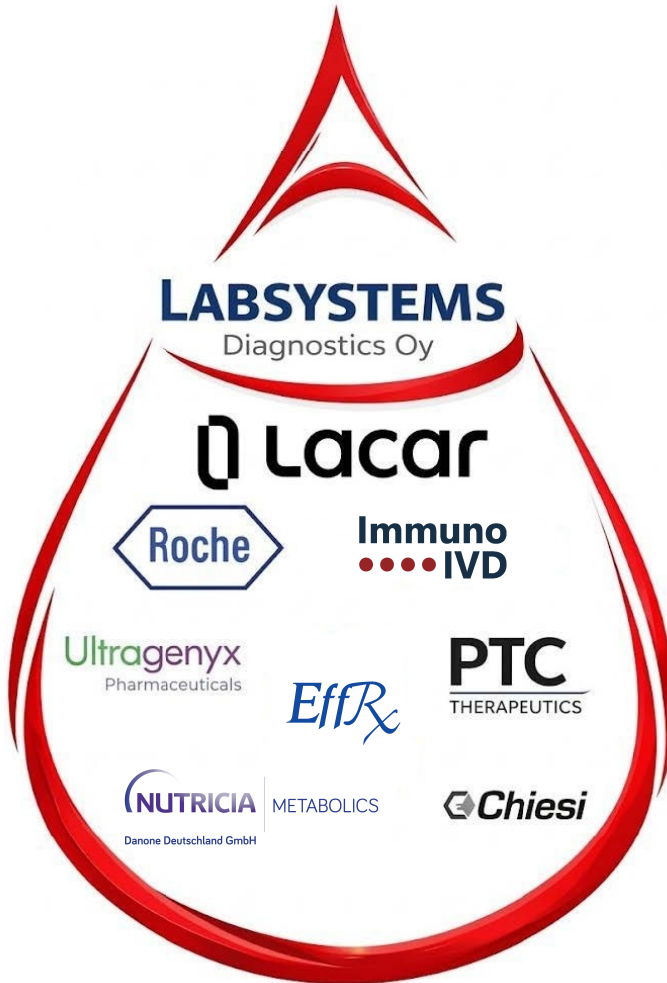
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