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Training course on neurological examination according to ISNCSCI/ASIA - VIENNA on November 19th, 2026

Dear EMSCI colleagues,

the consistent level of knowledge among ISNCSCI examiners is a basic requirement for valid data collection in our multi-center project. By offering regular interdisciplinary ISNCSCI/ASIA training courses, we significantly enhance data quality within the EMSCI project.

This time, we are excited to offer a two-day ISNCSCI training for the third time at a new location - the AUVA center in Vienna. Our former colleague and experienced training instructor PD Dr. Steffen Franz, now heads the Department Spinal Cord Injury there, making this the perfect setting to host the course once again.

The program will focus on deepening both your practical skills and theoretical knowledge in applying the ISNCSCI protocol.

Please register by October 20th, 2026 by email: EMSCI.OUK@med.uni-heidelberg.de

Program:

November 19th, 2026

- 1:00 p.m Welcome in AUVA Rehabilitationszentrum Wien Meidling (Kundratstraße 37, 1120 Wien)
- 1:20 p.m ISNCSCI Pre-Test
- 1:50 p.m Theory and practice of the sensory ISNCSCI protocol
- 2:20 p.m Coffee break
- 2:35 p.m Theory and practice of the sensory ISNCSCI protocol
- 3:50 p.m Theory and practice of the motor ISNCSCI protocol for the upper extremity OEX
- 4:50 p.m Coffee break
- 5:00 p.m Theory and practice of the motor ISNCSCI protocol for the lower extremity UEX
- 6:00 p.m End



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November 20th, 2026

- Bus departure from:
AUVA-Traumazentrum Wien, Standort Meidling
Kundratstraße 37, 1120 Wien
to AUVA Rehabilitationszentrum Weißer Hof
- 8:00 a.m.
- 9:00 a.m. ISNCSCI examination on patient, group assignment
- 9:30 a.m. Patient examination
- 11:30 a.m. Discussion/questions
- 12:00 p.m. Lunch
- 1:00 p.m. Theory of ISNCSCI classification
- 1:30 p.m. Evaluation of patient examinations
- 3:00 p.m. Coffee break
- 3:30 p.m. ISNCSCI classification - difficult cases
- 5:00 p.m. ISNCSCI Post-Test
- End of workshop and return by bus to:
AUVA-Traumazentrum Wien, Standort Meidling
Kundratstraße 37, 1120 Wien
Or - if this is desired by a lot of the participants -
to the Airport (travelling time between 1.5 and 1.75 hours!)
- 5:30 p.m.

To enable as many centers as possible to participate, registration is limited to 2 people per center. For participants from active EMSCI centers in Europe (see below), EMSCI will cover 50% of the travel costs (max. public transport fare 2nd class) and 1 night of accommodation (max. 100€ per night) for a maximum of 2 people per active center. **Participants from passive and external centers must cover their own travel and hotel costs and pay a course fee of 400€ in advance.**

Hotel and travel costs for participants from active centers in Europe will be reimbursed by Christine Ackermann, Zurich, Christine.Ackermann@balgrist.ch. Please submit your receipts, 2nd class train or flight tickets, and hotel bill to Mrs. Ackermann after the course.

Hotel

We recommend hotels in the proximity of the [AUVA Center in Vienna Meidling](#). The following hotel can be recommended but is slightly over the budget:

<https://www.booking.com/hotel/at/clarion-hotel-vienna-south.de.html>

Of course, you will receive a certificate of attendance after completing the course. We look forward to welcoming you in Vienna for two days of learning, exchange, and collaboration.

Sincerely,

- Prof. Dr-Ing. Rüdiger Rupp
Head of Experimental Neurorehabilitation / Spinal Cord Injury Center
- Prim. Priv.-Doz. Dr. med Steffen Franz
Head of Department Spinal Cord Injury | Vice Medical Director
Allgemeine Unfallversicherungsanstalt (AUVA)/Rehabilitation Center Weisser Hof
- Christian Schuld, Dipl. Inf.-Med.
- Laura Heutehaus, Physiotherapist, M.Sc. Clinical Research & Translational Medicine

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