

Welcome to the 17th International SLS Days

Collaborate to Innovate:

At the Intersections of Science, Innovation, and Development

September 24-25, 2026
At TWINCORE, Hannover



Thursday September 24, 2026

12:00 – 13:00

Registration & Snacks

13:00 – 13:20

Dr. Leander Grode (Serum Life Science Europe GmbH)
Welcome & opening remarks

Keynote Lecture

Moderation: Darius Gorny

13:20 – 13:50

Prof. Dr. Meta Roestenberg (Leiden University/Infecta)
"Novel CHIMs for Influenza, RSV, and C. difficile,"

Session 1

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13:50 – 14:10

Dr. Mehreen Dattoo (Oxford University)
"Steps towards Malaria elimination with R21/Matrix-M"

14:10 – 14:30

Prof. Dr. med. Christoph Schindler (Center for Clinical Trials
(ZKS), Hannover Medical School)
"ZKS Hannover: MHH's Integrated Clinical Trials Hub"

14:30 – 14:50

Dr. Heike Gielen-Haertwig (IBT Lower Saxony)
"The Translational Playbook"

14:50 – 15:10

Zahra Ghodrati, VMD (Dense Immune)
"Dense Immune: Engineering complete Immunity against
HCMV"

Coffee break

15:10 – 15:40



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Session 2

Moderation: Dr. Vu Vi Pham

15:40 – 16:00	Dr. Alexandra Resch (Resch Consulting) "Turning Data into Faster Decisions: Accelerating Drug Development"
16:00 – 16:20	Ellen Goel (Life Science Factory) "From Lab to Market - How Incubators Make Startups Successful"
16:20 – 16:40	Casper Silvis (Endurivac) "Next Generation Vaccine Design – Two Technologies in One Spin-off"
16:40 – 17:00	Reinhold Schilling (Wörwag Pharma GmbH & Co. KG) "GxP/AI Governance – From Interesting Tools to Controlled Processes"
17:00 – 17:20	Dr. Sara Haag (TRAIN) "Translational Alliance in Lower Saxony (TRAIN) – From Omics to Academy: Enabling Translational Health Research"
17:20 – 17:40	Prof. Dr. Elisabeth Zeisberg (GO ^e FUTURE gGmbH) "From Discovery to Impact: GO ^e FUTURE as a Complementing Catalyst for Translational Innovation"
17:40 – 22:00 Get-together / Barbeque 	

Friday September 25, 2026

Session 3

Moderation: Dr. Elmira Aliabadi

09:00 – 09:20	Prof. Dr. Ulrich Kalinke (TWINCORE) <i>"Immunity by design: Encoding neutralizing antibodies <i>in vivo</i>"</i>
09:20 – 09:40	Judith Kamper (Alveolix) <i>"The Road to IND: Integrating Organ-on-Chip Technology into Modern Drug Development"</i>
09:40 – 10:00	Dr. Peggy Riese (Helmholtz Center for Infection Research) <i>"From Discovery to Clinical Confidence: Building a GCLP-Compliant Laboratory for Translational Research"</i>
10:00 – 10:20	Esther Lange (Revvity) <i>"Building Innovation Ecosystems: How Integrated Approaches Are Driving Cell & Gene Therapy Advancement"</i>
10:20 – 10:40	Prof. Dr. Sven Hammerschmidt (University of Greifswald) <i>"Function, Structure and Immunogenicity of Pneumococcal Proteins"</i>
10:40 – 11:00	Jan-Willem Prügel (Osborne Clarke) <i>"The EU Pharma Package – Consequences for the EU Patent Law"</i>

Coffee break

11:00 – 11:30



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Session 4

Moderation: Michelle Lippmann

11:30 – 11:50	Dr. Aneta Karczmarek (Infecta) "Accelerating Infectious Disease Pipelines with INFECTA"
11:50 – 12:10	Lineke Pelleboer (Bilthoven Biologicals) "How to Avoid Pitfalls in Tech Transfer"
12:10 – 12:30	Dr. Wolfgang Weiß (Weickmann & Weickmann) "Freedom to Operate"
12:30 – 12:50	Dr. Vistasp Sethna (Serum Institute of India) "Development of a 10-valent Pneumococcal Conjugate Vaccine"
12:50 – 13:00	Dr. Leander Grode (Serum Life Science Europe GmbH) <i>Closing remarks</i>

Networking Lunch



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