

RINECKER PROTON THERAPY CENTER



PTCOG 43 FIRST CIRCULAR

PURPOSE OF PTCOG 43:

PTCOG is a semi-annual meeting which brings together professionals in the fields of conventional and particle radiation therapy. This international meeting attracts clinicians, physicists, biologists, administrators and engineers active in the field of radiotherapy. Different aspects of dosimetry, radiobiology, treatment protocols, trials and clinical results as well as new treatment modalities and facilities will be discussed during this meeting. The meeting tries to place particle therapy into the context of mainstream treatment.

DATE AND LOCATION:

PTCOG 43 will be held in Germany, Munich between December 10 and 14, 2005.

PTCOG 43 is hosted by RINECKER PROTON THERAPY CENTER MÜNCHEN, an institution of ProHealth AG, München. The Conference will be held at RINECKER PROTON THERAPY CENTER and the Dorint Hotel Sofitel "Bayerpost" a hotel downtown Munich.

INFORMATION:

General information, registration, and abstract submission can be found on www.ptcog43.com.

The PTCOG 43 ORGANIZING COMMITTEE:

Scientific Program:

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SCIENTIFIC PROGRAM:

The tentative program for PTCOG 43 is now available at <http://www.ptcog43.com/program/program.htm>. The listed times and lengths of the proposed sessions are subject to change depending on the number of abstracts we receive. At this stage we encourage people to register and submit their abstracts as soon as possible. As far as possible we will try to honor the authors' requests for oral or poster presentations. Abstracts can be uploaded on the PTCOG 43 website. Abstracts must be submitted until November 20, 2005.

PTCOG 43 will feature the following focus sessions:

- Focus Session 1:** Pediatric Tumors
- Focus Session 2:** Base of skull and Head&Neck
- Focus Session 3:** Lung Cancer
- Focus Session 4:** Prostate
- Focus Session 5:** Treatment planning and dosimetry
- Focus Session 6:** Beam application techniques

FALL SCHOOL IN BASIC PROTON THERAPY BASICS:

We are pleased to host a "fall school in basic proton therapy clinics and physics" on the Saturday prior to PTCOG 43, i.e. December 10, 2005 at the RPTC. Young and upcoming proton therapy specialists are encouraged to attend this event. The times for the fall school are indicated on the tentative program.

SOCIAL PROGRAM:

PTCOG 43 will host the following social events:

December 11, 2005:

17:00-20:00 Welcome Reception at RINECKER PROTON THERAPY CENTER

December 12, 2005:

19:00-22:00 Exhibition "Carl Larsson – Ein schwedisches Wintermärchen"
(A Swedish Winter Fairytale) exclusive for PTCOG Participants at the Hypo Kunsthalle downtown Munich

December 13, 2005:

20:00 Conference Dinner at Ratskeller

As shown on the registration page all the social events are included in the registration fee. An additional € 70,- fee will be charged for accompanying persons.

LODGING AND TRAVEL:

We have arranged special accommodations for PTCOG 43 participants. We strongly recommend you book early – please visit our website <http://www.ptcog43.com/accomodation/accomodation.htm>.

For travel information please visit our website <http://www.ptcog43.com/transportation/transportation.htm>).

Please feel free to contact any one of the organizing committee members if you need any assistance.

REGISTRATION AND FEES:

The registration page is available on the PTCOG 43 website (<http://www.ptcog43.com/registration/registration.htm>).

IMPORTANT DATES AND DEADLINES

- Early registration Deadline: November 10, 2005
- Submission of Abstracts: November 20, 2005