

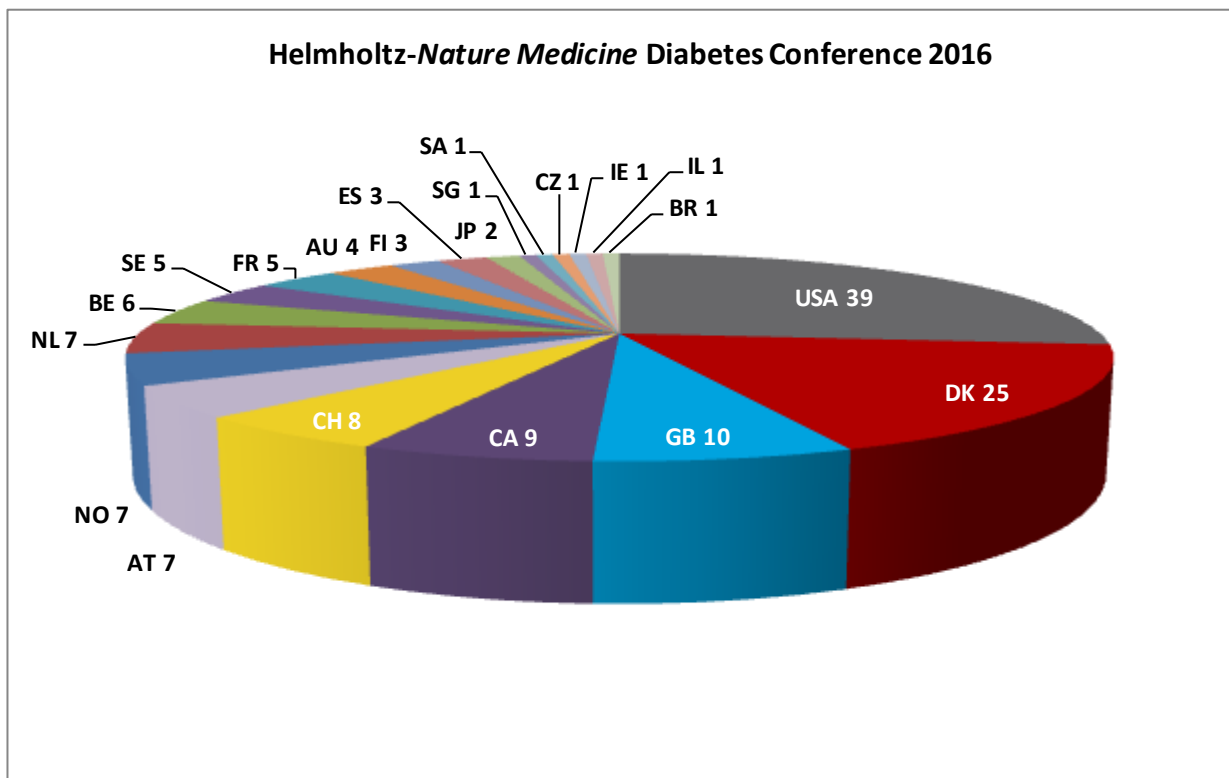
4th Helmholtz-Nature Medicine Diabetes Conference

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The **4th Annual Helmholtz-Nature Medicine Diabetes Conference** took place September **18th-20st 2016** at Lenbach Palais Munich. Top international researchers and promising young scientists took advantage of the three-day conference for an intensive exchange of ideas concerning the latest scientific findings in the field of diabetes research. A total number of **272 attendees** took part in this exclusive conference. Along with 126 German participants also **146 (54%) international guests from 22 countries** participated in the conference. Most of them came from the United States of America, Denmark and Great Britain (see statistic below).



International participants by origin:



Speaker

Helmholtz Diabetes Lecture: Sir Stephen O’Rahilly, Cambridge University, UK



The Helmholtz Diabetes Lecture recognizes outstanding contributions made by a leading scientist and this year the honor of presenting the lecture was given to Sir Stephen O’Rahilly from Cambridge University, UK.

Lecture topic: “Common Metabolic Disease: Lessons from Human Genetics”.

Plenary Speaker:

- Domenico Accili**, Columbia University, USA
- Sir Stephen Bloom**, Imperial College London, UK
- Susan Bonner-Weir**, Harvard Stem Cell Institute, USA
- Hans Clevers**, Hubrecht Institute Utrecht, NL
- Roger Cone**, Vanderbilt University, USA
- Richard DiMarchi**, Novo Nordisk, USA
- Ronald Evans**, Salk Institute for Biological Studies, USA
- Jeffrey Flier**, Harvard Medical School, USA
- Jeffrey Friedman**, The Rockefeller University, USA
- Philippe Froguel**, Imperial College of London, UK
- Matthias Hebrok**, University of California, San Francisco, USA
- Pedro Herrera**, University of Geneva, CH
- C. Ronald Kahn**, Joslin Diabetes Center, USA
- Rohit Kulkarni**, Joslin Diabetes Center, USA
- Heiko Lickert**, Helmholtz Zentrum München, GER
- Terry Maratos-Flier**, Joslin Diabetes Center, USA
- Diane Mathis**, Joslin Diabetes Center, USA
- Josef Penninger**, Institute of Molecular Biotechnology Vienna, AT
- Pere Puigserver**, Harvard Medical School, USA
- Maike Sander**, University of California, San Diego, USA
- Henrik Semb**, University of Copenhagen, DK
- Mathias Treier**, Max Delbrück Center for Molecular Medicine, GER
- Christopher Wright**, Vanderbilt University, USA

Awardees

Novo Nordisk – Helmholtz Young Investigator in Diabetes Award (HeIDI):



The Novo Nordisk Helmholtz Young Investigator in Diabetes (HeIDI) Award for young scientists who have achieved outstanding results in diabetes research was awarded to Davis Zachary Knight from University of California, San Francisco, United States of America and Andrew Pospisilik from Max Planck Institute of Immunobiology and Epigenetics, Germany.

Zachary Knight talked in his lecture about “The Neurobiology of Hunger” and Andrew Pospisilik about “The Role of Epigenetic Silencers in Metabolism – from Beta Cell Dedifferentiation to Stochastic and Inter-generational Obesity”.

Round Table Sessions and Nature Reviews Endocrinology Abstract Prize:

The Scientific Round Table Session provides a unique opportunity for selected, highly-qualified young researchers to network in an informal setting with the plenary speakers and top scientists in the field. Each young scientist has 15 minutes to informally present research data on an interactive screen to one established senior scientist, followed by five minutes of feedback and discussion.



The ***Nature Reviews Endocrinology*** abstract prize for the best two round table presentations was awarded to:

- Vera Nies, University of Groningen: “ERK and AKT Dependent Regulation of Glucose Uptake by the novel Metabolic Regulator FGF1 in Adipocytes”
- Alexander Häusl, Max-Planck-Institute of Psychiatry Munich: “The Role of Hypothalamic FKBP51 in Energy Homeostasis”.



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