Girl’s Day 2018 – High School Pupils Visited ICCAS
On the occasion of the nationwide Girl’s Day in April 2018, pupils from the 8 - 10th grades visited the University Medicine to learn more about the application fields of medical informatics. At the ICCAS, Claire Chalopin and Lisa Landgraf explained how they work in science. The two group leaders are researching in physics and biology on new diagnoses and treatment methods using imaging techniques. The pupils got excited with the insights into the digitized working world in medical technology.

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ICCAS at ConhIT 2018
At this year’s ConhIT congress, Thomas Neumuth chaired the session “Intelligent Technology in Hospitals – Convergence of Medical Technology and IT“. The session provided a view toward the near and distant future of medical and surgical technology combined with medical IT.

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Final Presentation of Project BIOPASS
At the end of April, the final presentation of the Federal Ministry of Education and Research (BMBF) founded joint project BIOPASS took place in Siegburg. During the workshop the final demonstrator was presented and questions of applications discussed.

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SONO-RAY at ISTU in Nashville
Andreas Melzer and Lisa Landgraf represented the project group SONO-RAY at this year’s ISTU – one of the most important international meetings in the field of focused ultrasound therapy in Nashville (USA). Both chaired the “Thermal Therapies” session and presented research results on “In Vitro Effects of Ultrasound Hyperthermia and Radiation Therapy on Glioblastoma, Prostate and Head and Neck Cancer Cell Lines: Preliminary Studies” and “Towards Integrating Robotics for Combined Focused Ultrasound and Radiation Therapy into the Treatment Process”. Andreas Melzer was elected a co-chair of the 18th ISTU / 5th EUFUS joint symposium taking place from June 12-15, 2019 in Barcelona.

35 European CME-Credits for DORS 2018
August 27 - 31, 2018 | Leipzig, Semmelweisstraße 14
ICCAS's 5th Digital Operating Room Summer School with its unique interdisciplinary interaction of medical and technical aspects will take place in August 2018. International experts meet participants from all over the world to share their knowledge about newest developments and trends in digital medicine. DORS 2018 has been accredited by the European Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education (EACCME®) with 35 European CME-Credits (ECMEC®s). This increases the attractiveness of the event especially for clinicians, whose participation is much welcomed.

PhD Workshop „Future Med Technologies“ – Register Now!
September 12, 2018 | Leipzig, Medical Campus, Liebigstraße
This event allows PhD students from Saxony, Saxony-Anhalt and Thuringia to present their technology-related research topics and to gain information about job offers or future working environments from partners of the accompanying industrial exhibition. Workshops on scientific writing, patent issues and third-party funding extend the scientific program.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Warm Invitation to this Year’s ICCAS Open Day
June 7, 2018 | Leipzig, Semmelweisstraße 14
For the 3rd time, we open our doors to showcase exciting exhibits of all research areas. Interested parties are cordially invited to experience our working spectrum. This event is free of charge.

Long Night of Sciences – Visit our Booth at BIO CITY!
June 22, 2018 | Leipzig, BIO CITY, Deutscher Platz 5c
At the ICCAS booth, visitors can observe their own lung function in live videos. A device for measuring the electrical impedance tomography in combination with a special measuring belt is used. The scientists will experimentally explain how this gentle imaging method works and present clinical applications.

Sono-Ray Group Takes Part in Robot Challenge
June 24, 2018 | Imperial College London, UK
The SONO-RAY group will compete with some of the leading surgical robotics groups from around the world at the Surgical Robot Challenge of this year’s prestigious Hamlyn Symposium in London. The exhibit is a robotic system for ultrasound assisted needle targeting in biopsies. The group will showcase novel ideas to operate collaboratively with a KUKA lbr iiwa robot in surgery including concepts for touch gesture interaction and an augmented-reality based tablet application for treatment planning.

CURAC 2018 – Extended Paper Submission until June, 11
September 13 - 15, 2018 | Leipzig, Medical Campus, Liebigstraße
ICCAS is hosting the 17th Annual Meeting of the German Society for Computer and Robotic Assisted Surgery guided by the motto “Connected into the Future”. You are invited to submit your paper until June 11, 2018. This event will be located in the heart of the Medical Campus of Leipzig University Hospital. We look forward to your participation!

Registration & Info