

Editorial

38th Conference of the German Society for Clinical Microcirculation and Hemorheology (DGKMH)

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The 38 Conference of the German Society for Clinical Microcirculation and Hemorheology was held at Braunschweig, 21–23 November 2019, organized by Prof. Dr. P. Wiggermann from the Department of Radiology and Nuclear Medicine, Hospital Braunschweig, Braunschweig, Germany. Embedded in the DGKMH Conference was the Conference of the German Society for Cellular Biotechnology – the sister society of the DGKMH. In addition, Prof. Dr. B. Hiebl from the Tierhochschule Hannover organized a workshop about “3R – Alternative Methods to animal testing” and Prof. EM Jung and DA Clevert held a hands-on workshop on Contrast-Enhanced Ultrasound.

The Conference counted with more than 100 participants mainly from Germany but also from other European countries. A high-level scientific program was produced with excellent scientific presentations contributing to the increase of knowledge of basic and clinical hemorheology and microcirculation. During fruitful discussions new questions arose and new opportunities of networking were initiated. Selected presentations of the Conference are published in this issue of *Clinical Microcirculation and Hemorheology*.

The focus of the conference was traditionally oriented to the scientific interests of the society members, which are physiology and pathophysiology, pre-clinical and clinical studies, interactions of blood and tissue cells with body foreign materials, surgical and conservative therapy of lymph edema, cutaneous microangiopathy of severe vascular diseases as well as the diagnostic value of contrast-enhanced ultrasound. The central features of the conference – according to the profession of the conference President – were interventional radiological procedures.

We wish to thank all participants and speakers for this fantastic conference.