

Welcome & Introduction Events for Students of Major Cancer Biology 2026

• Monday, Oct. 12, 2026

Virtual Event – Zoom Video Conference

10:00	Central Welcome Event "Introduction to Molecular Biosciences" for all new Master Students of all Majors by Dr. Andrea Wolk, Faculty of Biosciences including presentation of Frontiers-2 modules by all Major Speakers
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"Welcome to Major Cancer Biology and the DKFZ" – mostly In-person Events

Location: ATV/IIC Building (INF 242), Large Seminar Room on ground floor

13:30–14:00	Round of Personal Introductions with Prof. Dr. Ilse Hofmann, Scientific Coordinator, and Eva Gundel, Administration Office of Major Cancer Biology
14:00–14:20	Welcome Address and Introduction to the German Cancer Research Center DKFZ by Prof. Dr. Duncan Odom, Director of the DKFZ Cancer Research Academy and Head of the Division of Regulatory Genomics and Cancer Evolution
14:20–14:30	Group Picture Photo Shooting
14:30–15:00	Introduction to the Study Program of Major Cancer Biology, by the Coordinator Prof. Hofmann

Meeting point: Entrance Area of ATV/IIC Building

17:00	"Meet your Peers" – Welcome by the Senior Students of Major Cancer Biology, with DKFZ Campus Tour and Election of Student Speakers 2026
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• Tuesday, Oct. 13, 2026

Location: DKFZ Communication Center, Grand Lecture Hall

10:00–12:30	DKFZ Laboratory Work Safety Instructions Mandatory Attendance! by Dr. Slawomir Pitula, DKFZ Staff Unit Occupational Safety
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13:30–15:00	Short Presentations of the 1st Semester HP-F Practical Courses by the Hosts & Organizers of courses HP-F1 through HP-F7
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• Wednesday, Oct. 14, 2026

Location: ATV/IIC Building (INF 242), Large Seminar Room on ground floor

10:30–11:00	Distribution of the Places in the 1st Semester Practical Courses Students' Preferences and Final Assignments (lottery, if necessary)
11:00–12:00	Information and Organization of various DKFZ Administrative Matters (DKFZ student contracts and access permits, keys, computer network log-in, internal website Sharepoint, etc.) by Eva Gundel, Administration Office

Location: DKFZ Main Building, 8th floor seminar room, Glaskasten H824

13:30–16:00	"Scientific Writing – How to Write a Protocol" part I Introduction to DKFZ Protocol Standards and Protocol Writing Workshop, by Dr. Cindy Körner, Div. of Metabolic Crosstalk in Cancer
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• **Thursday, Oct. 15, 2026**

Location: DKFZ Main Building, 8th floor seminar room, Glaskasten H824

10:15–11:15	Introduction to "Good Scientific Practice" by Dr. Michael Milsom, Division of Experimental Hematology and HI-STEM
11:15–12:15	"Productivity Turbo or Bullshit Bingo – Guidance on the Use of AI in Scientific Writing" Introduction and Discussion of AI Tools, Risks and Responsibilities by Dr. Phillip Port, Div. of Signaling and Functional Genomics

Lunch Break

14:00–14:15	"Get connected – get involved: Junior GBM" Introduction to the student and young investigator section of the German Society for Biochemistry and Molecular Biology, by Juliana Messegueé Andres, DKFZ master student, Major Cancer Biology class of 2025, and other jGBM members
14:15–15:15	Introduction "Career Development and Networking" by Dr. Barbara Janssens, Head of DKFZ Career Service & Alumni Relations

• **Friday, Oct. 16, 2026**

Location: ATV/IIC Building, Large Seminar Room on ground floor

10:15–11:45	"Visualization and Presentation of Scientific Data" Introduction and Short Training by PD Dr. Maiwen Caudron-Herger, Research Group RNA-Protein Complexes and Cell Proliferation
11:45–15:00 incl. lunch break	"Scientific Writing – How to Write a Protocol" part II Introduction to DKFZ Protocol Standards and Protocol Writing Workshop, by Dr. Cindy Körner, Div. of Metabolic Crosstalk in Cancer

CANCELLED	"Search and Find" – Introduction to the services of the DKFZ Central Library and PubMed , by Andrea Heppert, DKFZ Core Facility Library repeat date will be arranged!
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