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# Café international

The last half millennium of life sciences  
in Basel – from Paracelsus to the European  
Silicon Valley of life sciences

Talk by Prof. em. Dr. Ed Constable

Date: Thursday, 16 November 2023

Time: 18:15 till 19:30





The International Office and the Language Center invite you to the next Café international:

## **The last half millennium of life sciences in Basel** **From Paracelsus to the European Silicon Valley of life sciences**

Talk by Prof. em. Dr. Ed Constable, Chemist and former Vice President for Research

Welcome by Prof. Dr. Torsten Schwede, Bioinformatician and Vice President for Research

For over half-a-millennium, Basel has been a hub of scientific innovation – from scientists such as Vesalius, Paracelsus, the Bernoullis and Clara Immerwahr to thinkers such as Erasmus and Jung. The evolution of the life sciences culture and the establishment of the chemical and life science industries in the city, is also a microcosmic history of Europe. This talk paints this history with a broad brush and sketches in a few anecdotes about the acts of our distant and not-so-distant predecessors.

Before the talk, participants who wish to, may visit the interactive exhibition *Wonders of Medicine* free of charge.

You are invited to an Apéro riche after the talk.

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### **DATE & TIMES**

Thursday, 16 November 2023

17:00 till 18:00 Optional exhibition visit – *Wonders of Medicine*

18:15 till 19:30 Talk – *The last half millennium of life sciences in Basel*

19:30 Apéro riche

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### **VENUE**

Novartis Pavillon, St. Johannis-Hafen-Weg 5, 4056 Basel. For directions and information, visit the [website](#) of this new event, learning and exhibition space.

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### **REGISTRATION DEADLINE**

Register here by Thursday, 2 November 2023 for either the combo or only the talk:

<https://sprachenzentrum.unibas.ch/en/cooperation/cafe-international/registration/>

Participation is limited; places are allocated on a first-come-first-served basis.

Please consider your registration as binding.

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### **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION AND CONTACT**

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We are greatly looking forward to welcoming  
you to this event!



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