Symposium to honor Marc van Regenmortel  
Friday, June 29th, 2018  
Medical University of Vienna, Austria

Program

9.00  | Tim Skern, Medical University of Vienna, Max F. Perutz Laboratories, Vienna, Austria  
Symposium opening

9.05  | Michaela Fritz, Vice-Rector Research, Medical University of Vienna, Austria  
Opening remarks

9.15  | Eric Westhof, IBMC/CNRS, Strasbourg, France  
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9.30  | Marc van Regenmortel, CNRS, Strasbourg, France  
Is rational design of biological complexity a utopia?

10.20 | Coffee break

10.50 | Jean-Marie Andrieu, Paris Descartes University, France  
Towards a tolerogenic vaccine against AIDS

11.40 | Adan Rios, University of Texas, Houston, TX, USA  
Fundamental challenges to the development of preventive HIV vaccine and a possible solution

12.30 | Lunch break

13.30 | Erwin Tschachler, Medical University of Vienna, Austria  
Moriz Kaposi in Vienna

13.50 | Peter Simmonds, University of Oxford, UK  
Classification of viruses – where do we draw the line?

14.40 | Jens Kuhn, NIH, Bethesda, MD, USA  
Philosophical versus Operational Virus Taxonomy – Advances and Setbacks

15.30 | Coffee break

16.00 | Charles H. Calisher, Colorado State University, Fort Collins, CO, USA  
Viruses do not have polythetic properties, species are polythetic classes and do not have any properties.

16.50 | Marc van Regenmortel, CNRS, Strasbourg, France  
Closing remarks