

# CAS in Clinical Research



## Writing a study protocol

### Description

Researchers are required to write various types of protocols. Many researchers consider this a difficult, or even the most difficult part of the research process. Understanding the differences between various types of protocols is important. This course concentrates on the processes of writing different protocols (not on the study design), using researchers' actual studies.

### Objectives

The goal of this course is to enable researchers to know the different types of protocols (study protocol, grant proposal, submission to ethics committees) and to get them written and sent.

### Dates

**28 – 30 August 2023 (Monday – Wednesday)**

### Equipment

Please bring along your laptop

### Course Structure

Participants each bring an idea for, or draft of a study protocol, a grant proposal or a submission to an ethics committee. We will help you to develop this. By the end of the course, participants will have a clear idea of how to complete their protocol – and have a timetable for doing so.

Day 1	Day 2	Day 3
<p><b>Introduction:</b> Differences between the various types and purposes of protocols/ pitfalls/ target audience/ expectations from reviewers/ from theory into practice</p> <p><b>Exercises on structure and writing:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>-Setting the brief</li><li>-Organizing the material</li><li>-Planning the protocol</li><li>-Writing the protocol</li></ul>	<p>Participants work on their own protocols, the teachers are available for personal support</p>	<p><b>Morning:</b> Discussion and revision of drafts/ From a reviewer's perspective</p> <p><b>Afternoon:</b> An afternoon with funders from EU and SNF</p>
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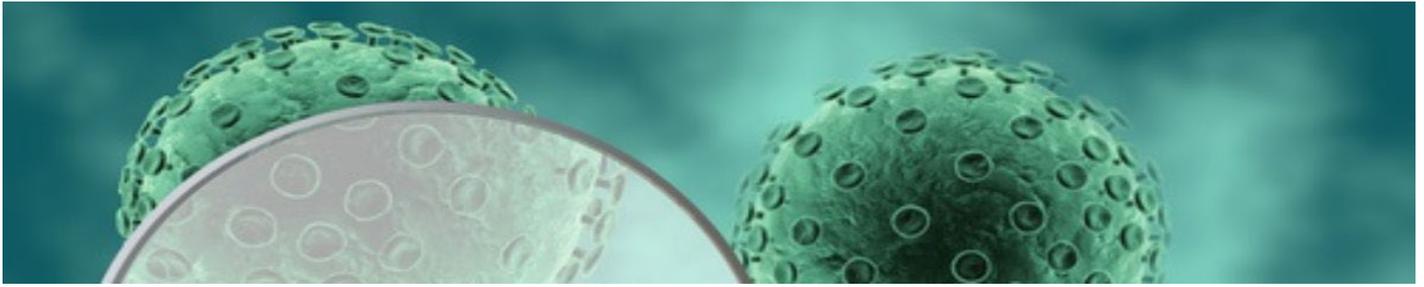
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## Assessment

Attainment of learning objectives measured by assessing progress of participants' own proposed protocol

## Credits

**1 ECTS**

Preliminary Work: 8 h, Contact: 12 h, In-course work: 6 h

(1 ECTS corresponds to appr. 25/30 hours' work)

## Facilitators

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