

Metamorphosis in Psychedelic Science



*uniMIND Symposium, 26 April, 2025
Charles University Prague*

Speaker lineup announcement



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Morning Program

8:45

Registration

9:15 - 9:40

Opening - Dr. Marvin Däumichen (MIND)
Greeting by Vice Dean Prof. MUDr. Michal Vrablík, Ph.D. (1.LF CU)

9:40 - 10:10

Keynote I: MUDr. Tomáš Páleníček, Ph.D. - Psychedelic Research at NUDZ and in the Czech Republic

10:10 - 10:40

Keynote II: MUDr. Vivian Winkler - Lessons Learned from the PSIKET_001 Study (Psilocybin vs. Ketamine for Treatment-Resistant Depression): A Clinical and Therapeutic Perspective

10:40 - 11:00

Polina Bedrina, M.Sc. - Altered States and Life Paths: How Psychedelics Shape Development in Emerging Adulthood

11:00 - 11:20

Coffee Break

11:20 - 11:50

Ph.D. Student Projects at the Center for Psychedelic Research at NUDZ:
- Isis Koutrouli, M.Sc. - Inside a Psychedelic Research Lab: Addiction in Focus
- Marek Nikolić, M.Sc. - Insights from Neuroimaging Field Studies with DMT & 5-MeO-DMT

11:50 - 12:10

Dr. Niklaus Reichle - Between Medicalization and Capitalist Profit Orientation: How Research and Capital Shape the Societal Transformation of Psychedelics

12:10 - 12:30

Eirini Argyri, M.Sc. - Growing from Groundlessness: Ontological Shock and Epistemic Metamorphosis Following Psychedelic Experiences

12:30 - 13:00

Keynote III: Jack Allocca, Ph.D. - The Consciousness Reboot: Using Extreme Altered States to Reset Mental and Physical Health

13:00 - 13:10

Introduction to Problem-Based Learning

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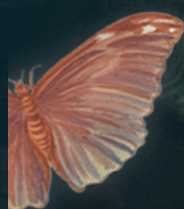


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Afternoon Program



13:10 - 14:40

Lunch Break

14:00 - 15:40

Movie Screening: 'Doctor on a Trip' (84 min)

(Main Lecture Hall)

14:40 - 15:40

Problem-Based Learning: Group Phase

(Simulation Rooms)

15:45 - 16:45

Panel Discussion

(Main Lecture Hall)

16:45 - 17:00

Coffee Break

17:00 - 17:20

Mindaugas Potapovas, M.Sc. - How Psilocin and a Serotonin Blocker Affect Brain Responses to Sound in Rats: Exploring Dose and Frequency Effects

17:20 - 17:40

Max Crosland-Wood, M.Sc. - Healing Trauma with Traditions: Ayahuasca for PTSD in Military Veterans – A Six-Month Follow-Up Study

17:40 - 18:10

Keynote IV: Prof. Albert Garcia-Romeu, Ph.D. - New Directions for Psychedelic Therapies: Exploring Psilocybin in Chronic Illnesses

18:10 - 18:20

Closing

20:00

Dinner (Registration-based at Separate Venue)

23:00

Afterparty - 'PsyQuest' (Separate Ticket)



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Organizers



MIND Foundation

German non-profit that supports education and research in psychedelics for therapy and human development



uniMIND Prague

A non-profit English-speaking social and educational community that hosts academic journal clubs on psychedelic science; part of the global uniMIND network supported by MIND Foundation



NUDZ (NIMH)

Czech National Institute of Mental Health (Národní ústav duševního zdraví) conducts Clinical and Preclinical research in psychedelics at the Center for Psychedelic Research

Promotional Partners



1.LF CU (1.LF UK)

First Faculty of Medicine, Charles University in Prague (1. lékařská fakulta Univerzity Karlovy v Praze)



CZEPS

Czech Psychedelic Society (Česká psychedelická společnost) is a non-profit that organizes lectures, events, and conferences on psychedelics



PsyCare

An international organization focused on harm-reduction, drug awareness, and psychological support at festivals (PsyCareCZ is run by CZEPS)



MEDSOC

The non-profit medical student organization of international students at the First Faculty of Medicine, Charles University (1.LF CU)



CzechedSubstance

Czech non-profit focused on drug education and harm reduction



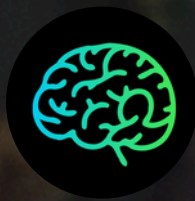
PsychedeLiCare

EU-wide Citizen Initiative that aims to legalize safe psychedelic-assisted therapy under European law



UIMS

United International Medical Schools is a non-profit that connects all English-speaking medical students across Czech Republic



Psychonaut Guide

A non-profit platform focused on drug education, harm reduction, and anonymous structured experience-reports with integrated research tools for data analysis



Psyon

A specialized professional facility focusing on the therapeutic use of psychedelics in the treatment of mental illness. It is the first Ketamine-Assisted Psychotherapy clinic in Czech Republic

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PSYRES

The Czech Psychedelic Science Research Foundation provides funding for Czech scientific projects in the field of researching psychedelics and their use in the treatment of mental illness



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Keynote Speakers



MUDr. Tomáš Páleníček, Ph.D.

is a Czech psychiatrist and the Head of the *Center for Psychedelic Research* at the *Czech National Institute of Mental Health (NUDZ)*, and a co-founder of *Psyon*, the first psychedelic-assisted therapy clinic in Czech Republic



Prof. Albert Garcia-Romeu, Ph.D.

is an Associate Professor of Psychiatry and Behavioral Sciences at the *Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine*, and a founding member of the *Johns Hopkins Center for Psychedelic and Consciousness Research* and the *International Society for Research on Psychedelics*



MUDr. Vivian Winkler

is a research fellow at the *University of Melbourne* in the fields of psychedelic pharmacology, machine learning and the neuroscience of altered states of consciousness.



Jack Allocca, Ph.D.

is a research fellow at the *University of Melbourne* in the fields of psychedelic pharmacology, machine learning and the neuroscience of altered states of consciousness.



Dr. Marvin Däumichen

is a co-founder of the *MIND Foundation*, holds a Ph.D. in social sciences and prevention research, he serves as a Head of Members & Community building connections across scientific, clinical, and cultural contexts. He is also the Chair of the *MIND Members Association*.

Junior Speakers



Eirini Argyri, M.Sc.

Ph.D. Candidate in Psychology, Department of Psychology, University of Exeter



Mindaugas Potapovas, M.Sc.

Ph.D. candidate in Research-oriented Multidisciplinary Biomedicine, Life Sciences Center, Vilnius University



Max Crosland-Wood, M.Sc.

Ph.D. Candidate in Developmental Neuroscience and Psychopathology at University College London (UCL)



Polina Bedrina, M.Sc.

Researcher in Developmental Psychology, Faculty of Educational Sciences, Institute of Psychology, University of Duisburg-Essen



Dr. Niklaus Reichle

Researcher in History of Science and Qualitative Social Research, Institute of Sociology, University of St. Gallen



Isis Rita Koutrouli, M.Sc.

Ph.D. Candidate in Addiction Neuroscience at the Psychedelic Research Center, Czech National Institute of Mental Health (NUDZ); 3rd Faculty of Medicine, Charles University (3.LF CU)



Marek Nikolić, M.Sc.

Ph.D. Candidate in Neurosciences at the Psychedelic Research Center, Czech National Institute of Mental Health (NUDZ); 3rd Faculty of Medicine, Charles University (3.LF CU)

