



COMPREHENSIVE  
CANCER  
CENTER VIENNA



**ESMO Translational Research Unit Visit  
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**Medical University of Vienna – Summary profile**

The Medical University of Vienna (abbreviation: MedUni Vienna) is one of Europe's medical training and research facilities with the greatest history and tradition. Counting almost 7,500 students, it is today the largest medical training facility in the German-speaking region. With its 27 university departments and 3 clinical institutes, 12 medical-theoretical centres and numerous highly specialised laboratories, it also ranks amongst the most significant cutting-edge research institutions in Europe in the biomedical sector. Over 48,000 square metres of space have been dedicated to clinical research at the facility.

[www.medunivien.ac.at](http://www.medunivien.ac.at)

**A brief look at the CCC**

The Comprehensive Cancer Center (CCC) Vienna was founded in 2010 as part of the Medical University of Vienna and the General Hospital of Vienna. Since then, the CCC has bundled the strengths of all employees working in the fields of cancer. The CCC's goal is to improve patient care, foster scientific output and provide the highest quality in education and training. The CCC does this according to international standards for comprehensive cancer centres and implemented a quality management system as well as Quality Austria's certification programme. Furthermore, it actively supports Patient Advocacy Groups.

**Three-pillar approach**

The CCC's main research activities focus on clinical as well as on basic and translational research, using a three-pillar approach: the CCC-Clusters (7), the CCC-Units (9) and the CCC-Platforms (5). These 3 main structures combine the expertise of basic and clinical scientists in the respective fields. This makes close interaction, networking and a fast translation of new findings from bench to bedside and back to improve cancer treatment possible. Over and above that, the CCC runs four oncological Ph.D.-programmes, hosts lecture series for experts, and has developed a special course for patients - the Cancer School CCC Vienna. Additionally, there is a programme for cancer and research nurses.

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**AKH Wien – brief profile**

At the Allgemeines Krankenhaus der Stadt Wien (General Hospital of the City of Vienna) - Medical University Campus - around 100,000 patients are treated annually as in-patients. The out-patient and special out-patient wards at the AKH Wien are frequented by around a further 1.1 million people. Together with doctors of the MedUni Wien, a nursing staff of around 3,000, over 1,000 associates of medical, therapeutic and diagnostic health professions and many further employees from different professional groups are available for the care of our patients.

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