

Call for Applications



European Pain School

at the University of Siena

2026

Pain in Translation:
From Cellular and Animal Models to Humans

13-19 June 2026

University of Siena, Certosa di Pontignano, Siena, ITALY

Topics

From bench to bedside: tops and flops

Human thermal pain: TRP and NaV ion channels, Schwann cell-nerve interactions

Spinal nociceptive transmission: inhibition and sensitization, neurosteroids

Veterinary diseases and humans: translation in both directions

Pig skin similar to human skin: single-fiber recordings vs. microneurography and pain

Complex regional pain syndrome: animal models vs. human disease

Painful diabetic polyneuropathy: animal models, genetic associations, patients

Human pain reflected in cortical functions: special EEG and fMRI, applicable to animals

Rheumatoid arthritis pain: preclinical research penetrating clinical studies

Sex and gender differences: hormonal cycle, CB2 agonism, nutritional effects

Childhood pain: fetal responses and analgesia, infant pain scale and management

Scholars

Young scientists at the Ph.D. or postdoctoral levels in all fields of pain science and pain medicine are encouraged to apply.

Applications

Exclusively online at <https://EuropeanPainSchool.eu>

Deadline: 2 March 2026

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