



## Module B – Tumors and the immune system 2026

### Infection-Induced Cancers

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**Course Venue** UZH City Center, Schönberggasse 11, SOE-E-8

#### General outline

09.00 – 11.00 Hepatitis B/C and hepatocellular carcinoma (Achim Weber)

11:15 – 13:00 Infectious agents as the cause of cervical and gastric carcinogenesis  
(Anne Müller)

*Lunch Break*

14:30 – 15:30 Cancer and HIV  
(Roberto Speck)

#### Learning outcomes:

On this course day, students are introduced to the concept that bacterial and viral infections can cause human cancers of the cervix, stomach, and other organs, and to examine the mechanisms underlying infection-induced carcinogenesis.

Students will learn that not all retroviruses are equal, HIV is per se not a tumorigenic virus, and that the immune system is key for the control of tumorigenic viruses in HIV.



Students will understand that chronic viral hepatitis is one of the major risk factors for the development of liver cancer.