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## **Lecture**

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**Implementing psychodynamic diagnostics and psychoanalytic psychotherapy  
in a routine clinical setting:  
The outpatient clinic for personality, psychodynamic diagnosis and psychotherapy**

**Saturday, September 7, 2024 / 2.30 – 4.00 pm / Parallel session 2  
University of Vienna, Währinger Straße 29, 1090 Wien**

### **Abstract:**

The implementation of psychoanalytically based diagnostic and treatment programs in routine clinical settings can be challenging due to time constraints and the necessity for highly structured and unified communication in the medical field. We established a program for psychodynamic in- and outpatient diagnostics based on the Operationalized Psychodynamic Diagnosis (OPD) framework as well as for psychoanalytic treatment in the outpatient setting. In the talk, we will present the rationale, model, and clinical experience for the specialized outpatient clinic for personality, psychodynamic diagnosis, and psychotherapy (Spezialambulanz für Persönlichkeit, Psychodynamische Diagnostik und Psychotherapie [PDP-Ambulanz]) at Medical University of Graz.

We will focus on efforts made and challenges encountered in implementation, clinical practice (including communication with patients and colleagues), as well as academic research and teaching of psychodynamic concepts in the medical field. While our experiences with the specialized outpatient program to date are encouraging, we will also highlight potentials for further development and collaborative efforts to promote psychoanalytically based diagnostics and treatment in routine clinical settings.

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