

Dear GSCN members, friends and colleagues,

The deadline for abstract submission and the early registration fees has been extended until Friday, August 15, 2014. Due to limited space in the DKFZ a contingent of places for current GSCN members can only be reserved until August 15, 2014.

Submit your abstract and register now!

We are pleased to inform you that there is a limited number of **travel awards** to the GSCN conference available. To apply please submit your application to the GSCN office (gscn.office@mdc-berlin.de) until **August 15, 2014**. Please find detailed information here.

One scientific session at the GSCN Annual Conference 2014 will be organized on Wednesday November 5th, 11:00 - 12:30 by the **German Society for Stem Cell Research (GSZ)**. In this session GSZ members will have the opportunity to present their results in short oral presentations. The selection of presentations is organized by the GSZ. GSZ members can register for the GSCN conference for the reduced (member) early registration fee of 300€ (full member) or 150€ (junior member) until August 15, 2014 and 375€ (full) or 200€ (junior) thereafter. Official documentation of GSZ membership as of December 31st, 2013 is required. Identical to GSCN members, abstracts for the selection of oral presentations for the main program have to be submitted by August 15, 2014.

The GSCN conference will cover the latest scientific and strategic topics in stem cell biology, including genetic and epigenetic mechanisms of reprogramming, maintenance of pluripotency, somatic stem cells in vertebrates and invertebrates, stem cells in disease and regenerative medicine, cancer stem cells and many more stem cell-related topics.

Highlights

- (1) Four Keynotes covering "Neuronal stem cells" (Jürgen Knoblich), "Cancer stem cells" (Eduard Batlle), "Muscle stem cells and dormancy" (Shahragim Tajbaskhsh) and "Stem cell therapies" (Philippe Menasche).
- (2) **Two Poster sessions and 38 oral presentations** selected from the most interesting submitted abstracts. This is THE platform for young researchers to present and discuss their work with the entire stem cell field.
- (3) Session on the **latest techniques** in stem cell research, including cell printing and genetic engineering as well as an industry session in which companies present their latest stem cell technologies and instruments to the field.
- (4) **Networking evening event above Heidelberg in the "Molkenkur"** for all participants of the conference on Tuesday, November 4, 2014 (included in registration fee).
- (5) Free participation in the Joint Satellite Symposium on neural stem cells on November 6th, 2014 at the German Cancer Research Center (DKFZ) in Heidelberg

We hope that you will not miss this opportunity to become part of the German stem cell community and to present and discuss your scientific achievements! Please find detailed information on the 2nd International Annual Conference of the GSCN on the conference Website.

We are looking forward to welcoming you in Heidelberg!

Yours sincerely,

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