

Dear GSCN members, friends and colleagues,

May 2019

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1) GSCN goes ISSCR - please join us at the GSCN WunderBar Event and Meet-Up Hub in L.A.

The annual Meeting of the ISSCR takes place in Los Angeles from 26 to 29 June. As in previous years, the GSCN offers two events at the international meeting:

The GSCN Meet-Up Hub takes place on Thursday, 27 June, 15:15 – 16:00 – please join us for the informal gathering at the ISSCR to catch up with friends and colleagues, exchange news and enrich your and our network.

The GSCN WunderBar Event - a great get-together for the GSCN members and friends in L.A. on 29 June from 8 - 11pm. Join us for Mexican food and drinks in a relaxed and welcoming setting for networking and meeting with old and new friends. Please save the date, a detailed invitation to GSCN members for the WunderBar Event will follow in the coming week.

2) GSCN Travel Awards – apply now for the period 1 July to 30 September

Is there an international conference or workshop that you would like to visit and need financial support? The GSCN offers travel awards – the deadline for the period 1 July to 30 September is 30 May 2019.

If you would like to apply, please send the submitted abstract to the event and a short letter of motivation (max. 1 page) to the GSCN Office (gscn.office@mdc-berlin.de). The letter should contain 1) the importance of the event for the applicant, 2) how the applicant profits from the event and 3) why financial support is important.

3) GSCN Conference 2019 in Berlin - Registration is open

We would like to remind you, that the <u>7th Annual Conference</u> of the German Stem Cell Network (GSCN) is coming up. The conference will be held on 23 - 25 September 2019 at the Max Delbrück

Centrum MDC in Berlin. The **deadline for early registration and abstract submission** to be considered for oral presentation is 21 June. The deadline for all other abstracts is 26 August.

Please find here the online registration and abstract submission.

4) Still Wanted: Suggestions for GSCN awardees

Like in previous years the GSCN will celebrate three GSCN awards in the field of stem cell research and we would like to ask you for suggestions for two of these awards. The deadline for the proposals is Friday, 21 June 2019.

- 1. Young Investigator Award (based in Germany). The candidate should be within 8 year after the doctorate degree (i.e. 2011) and in her/his first faculty/independent position (non-tenured). GSCN membership is not required. Please place your suggestions here.
- 2. Female Scientist Award (based in Germany) (no limitations on the level). GSCN membership is not required. Please place your suggestions here.

The awardee will give a presentation in the presidential session at the GSCN conference, 23 - 25 September 2019 in Berlin. They will be selected by the 2019 GSCN conference program committee and the executive board.

We are looking forward to your suggestions – this is your chance to promote your favorite scientist that impressed you most in the last year!

5) News from the field April 2019

How fish brain cells react to Alzheimer's disease (GSCN)

23.04.2019

Zebrafish, in contrast to humans, have outstanding regenerative capacities: If brain cells are lost due to illness or injury, they will easily regrow from so-called progenitor cells. With sophisticated methods, researchers from the German Center for Neurodegenerative Diseases (DZNE) and the Technische Universität Dresden (TUD) have now characterized these progenitor cells in great detail and determined that they consist of eight different sub-populations. (press text)

Developmental origin, functional maintenance and genetic rescue of osteoclasts (GSCN)

15.4.2019

Bone marrow transplantation is currently the only treatment option for osteopetrosis, but it is often only partially successful. Researchers at the Leibniz Institute for Aging (FLI) in Jena have now discovered in the mouse model that osteoclasts have a different cellular origin than previously assumed. This opens up new therapeutic options for the treatment of osteopetrosis. (press text)

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