ETRS young investigator workshop (Munich, September 2019)

Have you ever been curious to know - what innovative and exciting tissue repair projects other researchers are working on? - how to perfect your scientific writing? - if your research will ever make a difference to public health? Or – how to end up in your dream job? Then you should attend the free ETRS YI pre-conference workshop

The YI pre-conference workshop will take place 10th September 2019, the day before the ETRS Annual Scientific Meeting, at the Helmholtz Institute, Max Lebsche Platz 31, Munich, Germany. Our mission for this workshop is to enhance and strengthen young investigators research skills and career prospects – and at the same time ensure lots of time for networking for you to exchange ideas with other early career researchers.

The workshop will kick off with short, quick-fire oral presentations from all participants on their research to build the network and to promote and share knowledge. Between the presentations, the audience will be encouraged to actively contribute with questions and feed-back in a friendly and constructive manner and there will be small prizes in different categories. This will be a great opportunity to practice your presentation skills.

This session will be followed by a presentation from Julian Venables, founder of Science Sense, who has comprehensive experience in optimizing manuscripts in biology for publication in high impact journals. He will share his experiences and tips on how to clarify the scientific message and perfect the language in manuscripts.

In the afternoon, a panel of senior researchers will be ready to tell about a life in academia or industry, and answer all your questions about career planning to support your career development. The panel will consist of (i) Phil Stephens, Professor of Cell Biology, Dean of International, College of Biomedical and Life Sciences, Cardiff University and the current ETRS President and (ii) Yuval Rinkevich, Young Principle Investigator with a supervising and mentoring position at the institute for Lung Biology and Disease, CPC, Munich. Both Phil and Yuval have worked for several years in academia in different countries worldwide and have extensive experience in what it takes to work as a senior researcher in an academic environment. The panel will also consist of representatives from industry, for whom we are just finalizing details.

Following this session, Hans Oliver Rennekampff, Head of Department of Plastic and Aesthetic Surgery, Burn Surgery Klinikum Leverkusen will give a talk about how innovative findings in basic research can be translated into a clinical setting. Hans' clinical work encompasses the treatment of paediatric burn injuries and pressure ulcers and his research has successfully led to the development of different topical treatments to improve wound healing.

To complete the workshop, there will be a guided tour at the Klinikum Rechts der Isar hospital facility in Munich where participants will get an insight in to how patients are treated at the hospital, what challenges they face, but also how research makes a difference to public health and well-being.

In the evening there will be a dinner in the Munich down town area for those who wish to join us – this is a further opportunity to network in cosy surroundings.

We are looking forward to an exciting and inspirational day with a lot of great science, time to share knowledge and network with other early career researchers from different countries.

Good to know
The workshop is free to attend if you are a young investigator (PhD student or within 7 years of obtaining your PhD) and ETRS member, providing you register for the ETRS conference by the early bird deadline (register now). If more than 25 register for the workshop a panel will decide who will attend.

If you have any questions about this event don't hesitate to contact Louise Bundgaard (loubun@dtu.dk), ECR representative on the ETRS board.

Full details on the ETRS annual meeting can be found at www.etrs2019.de

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Remember to submit an abstract for the YI session at the ETRS conference to be considered for the Oral Presentation Prize (see website for details)