



DaCRA news

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Program for this year's Sandbjerg Meeting

The program has now been finalized and can be found on www.DaCRA.dk under meetings. During the Meeting the Steering Committee will meet and if **YOU** have suggestions for topics to be discussed, please send them to dacra@sund.ku.dk

New PhD course in "Cardiovascular Physiology"

August 29th to September 2nd, 2011, Sandbjerg Manor, 4 ECTS

PhD students enter their study with variable knowledge of cardiovascular physiology and it is therefore essential that they are brought to a relatively advanced, common level of understanding that will enable them to critically evaluate the physiological relevance of their project. The new '**Cardiovascular Physiology**' course aims at providing students with a thorough knowledge of the complexities of the integrated cardiovascular system.

The course will consist of a mixture of **lectures** (covering topics such as functions of the circulatory system, cardiac metabolism, blood pressure regulation, characteristics and functions of cardiac and vascular cells, cardiovascular pharmacology, experimental models, atherosclerosis and thrombosis), **project-based group work** (centered around cardiac and vascular pathophysiology) and **student-based presentations** in plenum (poster presentations & presentation of group assignments).

The course is free for all PhD students enrolled at the University of Copenhagen or at a University associated within the "open market agreement". **The deadline for enrollment is May 31, 2011.**

Please see details at: <http://phdkursus.sund.ku.dk/frontPlanner/DetailKursus.aspx?id=95725>.

We hope that you/your PhD students will join us at Sandbjerg Manor! More information can also be found on **DaCRA.dk** under PhD courses.

PhD course “Atherosclerosis – from molecular mechanisms to clinical disease”

The ph.d. course “Atherosclerosis – from molecular mechanisms to clinical disease” [3.2 ECTS] is being offered by the Graduate School of Health Sciences, University of Aarhus, on August 22-25, 2011. It is arranged in collaboration between researchers at Aarhus and Copenhagen University and we hope to attract students from across the country.

Criteria for participation: University degree in medicine, dentistry, nursing, or Master’s degree in other fields and/or postgraduate research fellows (PhD students and research-year medical students).

Aim: To provide students with comprehensive knowledge of the cause, pathogenesis and clinical presentation of atherosclerosis.

Contents: Atherosclerosis is the most prevalent cardiovascular disease and one of the leading causes of death worldwide. It causes heart attack and stroke, and it mediates much of the morbidity caused by widespread conditions such as hypertension, obesity and diabetes. Knowing about this disease is thus relevant to a wide range of researchers. The course will discuss etiological factors, disease mechanisms, clinical presentation, and current therapies. Particular focus will be on how to design preventive strategies for the future. Lectures and workshops are designed to accommodate students with a wide variety of backgrounds. Both students working in basic science as well as those focusing on clinical science, epidemiology or public health are very much encouraged to attend.

Instructors: Jan Borén, Jan Nilsson, German Camejo, Patric Rensen, Anne Tybjærg Hansen, Marianne Benn, Erling Falk, Søren Dalager, Torben Hansen, Morten Grønbæk, Jacob Bentzon, Lars Bo Nielsen, Anne Kaltoft, and more to be announced.

Head of Course: Jacob Bentzon, Aarhus University, and Lars Bo Nielsen, Copenhagen University.

Dates and Times: 22-25. august 8.15 - 16.00. The course also includes a mandatory evening seminar.

Place: The Blue Auditorium, Viktor Albeck Building, University of Aarhus

Course Fee: Participation in the course is without cost for PhD students, research-year students as well as lecturers and professors of the Faculty of Health Sciences, Aarhus, with documented need for participation owing to supervisory duties regarding PhD students. PhD students from other institutions can participate without cost if approved by their own institution.

Application:

Please see <https://service.health.au.dk/modules/Course/mypage/viewfulldesc/courseID/212> **Deadline: June 27th noon.**

If you have any questions regarding the course, please contact Jacob Bentzon, jben@ki.au.dk.

More information can also be found on **DaCRA.dk** under PhD courses.

16 Annual Meeting of the European Council for Cardiovascular Research (ECCR)

Friday 30 September -Sunday 2 October 2011, La Colle sur Loup - Nice – France

We look forward to receiving your abstracts for inclusion in the programme and to seeing you in Nice in October 2011! The ECCR was established in 1997 to create within Europe a unique annual forum for clinical and non-clinical researchers in the important field of blood pressure and cardiovascular disease. We welcome the participation of both clinicians and basic scientists. The aim of these meetings is to highlight novel areas of research and to foster the translation of new scientific findings into clinical practice. We particularly encourage the active participation of young researchers in these meetings.

Please visit www.eccr.org for more information on the meeting and also on ECCR membership.

Also link to meeting announcement can be found at **DaCRA.dk** under Meetings.

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