



Bone and Cartilage: from Development to Human Diseases

Suzhou, China

June 11 - 15, 2012

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We are pleased to announce the Cold Spring Harbor Asia conference on Bone and Cartilage: from Development to Human Diseases which will be held at the Suzhou Dushu Lake Conference Center in Suzhou, China, located approximately 60 miles west of Shanghai. The conference will begin at 7:00pm on the evening of Monday June 11, and will conclude after lunch on Friday, June 15, 2012. It will include a combination of oral sessions and poster sessions, covering the latest findings across many topics in skeletal biology by bringing together a group of scientific leaders.

Major Topics:

- Cartilage Development
- Osteoblast Development
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- Cartilage Degeneration and Osteoarthritis
- Osteopetrosis and Osteoporosis
- Growth Plate and Endocrine System
- Genetic and Epigenetic Basis of Human Skeletal Disease
- Therapeutic Approaches for Skeletal Diseases

Registration available until June 11, 2012

The on-line registration will be available until the meeting starts. But early registration will help to save cost. Rates vary for corporate/industry, academic (PhD, MD, staff scientists) and student (up to PhD) attendees. Endowed student package costs as low as USD250/CNY1530 before March 30th, 2012.

Abstract Deadline Extended to April 20th, 2012

We encourage abstracts to contain new and unpublished materials. Acceptance of the submitted abstracts for presentation will be determined by the organizers on the basis of scientific merit and relevance. In addition, more than 25 abstracts will be selected for short talk presentation.

Fellowships will be available to graduate student and post doc who have an abstract accepted for poster presentation or short talks. The details will be posted later on the website (<http://csh-asia.org/bone12.html>)

Keynote Speakers

Henry Kronenberg, *Massachusetts General Hospital & Harvard Medical School, USA*

Stefan Lohmander, *Lund University Sweden and University of Southern Denmark, Sweden*

Björn Olsen, *Harvard School of Dental Medicine, USA*

Invited Speakers

Benjamin Alman, *University of Toronto/The Hospital for Sick Children, Canada*

Frank Beier, *University of Western Ontario, Canada*

Xu Cao, *Johns Hopkins University, School of Medicine, USA*

Kathryn Cheah, *The University of Hong Kong, China*

Christine Hartmann, *University of Münster, Germany*

Matthew Hilton, *University of Rochester Medical Center, USA*

Masaru Ishii, *Osaka University, Japan*

Hiroshi Kawaguchi, *University of Tokyo, Japan*

Dae-Won Kim, *Yonsei University, South Korea*

Andrew Lassar, *Harvard Medical School, USA*

Brendan Lee, *Baylor College of Medicine/HHMI, USA*

Veronique Lefebvre, *Cleveland Clinic Lerner Research Institute, USA*

Eryuan Liao, *Second Xiangya Hospital of Central South University, China*

Fanxin Long, *Washington University School of Medicine, USA*

David Ornitz, *Washington University School of Medicine, USA*

Vicki Rosen, *Harvard School of Dental Medicine, USA*

Gary Stein, *University of Massachusetts Medical School, USA*

Hiroshi Takayanagi, *Tokyo Medical and Dental University, Japan*

Noriyuki Tsumaki, *Kyoto University, Japan*

Wim van Hul, *University of Antwerp (UIA), Belgium*

Yihong Wan, *UT Southwestern Medical Center, USA*

Matthew Warman, *Harvard Medical School/Children's Hospital Boston, USA*

Michael Whyte, *Washington University School of Medicine and Shriners Hospital for Children, USA*

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