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## Letter from the Editor

Dear Members,

After the setbacks in respect to clinical breakthroughs and funding in the last decade, government agencies, policy makers, and industry leaders have realized again that tissue engineering and regenerative medicine has the potential to deliver a wide range of innovative products that could be of immense importance in the treatment of severe clinical conditions. This is reflected in the current development of new initiatives and the opening of new institutes in Europe, the United States and Asia in our field.

For example, Germany has four (4) big centers of excellence in the TE/RM field, namely Berlin, Dresden, Hannover and Leipzig, with more than ten (10) smaller regional centers. The national TE programmes in the Netherlands are still very strong. Several new large initiatives developed around the TE/RM theme in the United Kingdom, Italy, Switzerland and Spain. In Portugal, a new European Institute of Excellence on Tissue Engineering and Regenerative Medicine opened its doors.

In April, DOD officials unveiled the Armed Forces Institute for Regenerative Medicine (AFIRM). The program is part of a broad, $250-million effort to rapidly apply the latest techniques in regenerative medicine to the treatment of wounded soldiers. AFIRM is made up of two civilian research consortiums working with the U.S. Army Institute for Surgical Research at Fort Sam Houston in San Antonio. One of AFIRM's civilian consortiums is led by the Wake Forest Institute for Regenerative Medicine and the McGowan Institute for Regenerative Medicine at the University of Pittsburgh. The other is led by Rutgers University and the Cleveland Clinic.

At the World Biomaterials Congress in Amsterdam, more than half of the sessions and topics were related to tissue engineering and regenerative medicine, with a number of other fields in the biomedical sciences including large TE/RM sessions as well. Based on this background, we look forward to an ever growing tissue engineering and regenerative medicine community and I, as should you, am excited to be part of that journey in the 21st century.

Yours sincerely,
Professor Dietmar W. Hutmacher, PhD (NUS), MBA (Henley)

## TERMIS-AP 2008 Taipei, Taiwan


November 6-8, 2008
Chien-Tan Overseas Youth Activity Center
Taipei, Taiwan
www.termis.org/ap2008


Dear friends and colleagues:

On behalf of the organizing committee, I'd like to cordially invite you to participate at the Annual Conference of Tissue Engineering and Regenerative Medicine International Society - Asian Pacific Region (2008 TERMIS - AP). This annual event will be held at the Chien-Tan Overseas Youth Activity Center, Taipei on November 6 through 8, 2008. The weather in Taipei at this time of the year is usually pleasant with a temperature around 20°C.

In this Conference, there will be 3 plenary lectures and 36 invited lectures offered by distinguished speakers from Asian Pacific countries, North America and Europe. The topics to be covered include tissue engineering, regenerative medicine, stem cell technology, cellular/genetic therapies, drug delivery systems and bioreactors.

With your kind support and participation, we believe that we can make this Conference successful. Besides the scientific program, we'd also like to invite you to enjoy the culture, scenery, and hospitality of Taipei, especially for those who have never been to Taipei before. I certainly hope that there will be enthusiastic discussion and dialogue on the recent progress and future perspective of tissue engineering and regenerative medicine in this coming Conference. Also, I wish that the friendship and the communication among all participants would last forever. Finally, I look forward to seeing you all in Taipei in November.

With warmest regards,
Ging-Ho Hsiue, PhD
Distinguished Chair Professor.
National Tsing Hua University
President 2008 TERMIS - AP

All plenary lectures will be delivered in the morning of November 7 on the 10th floor of the Grand Hotel

The rest of the Conference will be held in the Chien-Tan Overseas Youth Activity Center. The Grand Hotel http://www.grand hotel.org/newsite/html/e/ca01.htm

### Important Dates to Remember

**August 31, 2008**
Deadline for Abstract Submission

**October 15, 2008**
Deadline for Advanced Registration & Hotel Reservations

**September 30, 2008**
Notice of Abstract Acceptance

termis 2008 North America Annual Conference and Exposition

**TERMIS-NA 2008 Conference**
**December 7 -10, 2008 at the Hyatt Regency La Jolla, California**
**www.termis.org/na2008**

**Hosted in Conjunction with CTEM - the California Tissue Engineering Meeting**

**Don't delay! Presentation abstract proposals due now!**
**Deadline extended: July 31!**

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**CLICK HERE** for details. The submission deadline has been extended to **July 31, 2008**.

Experts from academia and commerce are invited to present timely information ranging from cutting edge research to successful implementation of tissue engineering technologies in all areas of tissue engineering/regenerative medicine including:

Synthetic and Biologic Scaffolds
Printing and Stereolithography for 3D Scaffolds
Hydrogels
Smart Biomaterials
Stem Cells (MSCs, adult stem cells, embryonic stem cells)
Cell Tracking and Imaging
Cell Regulation and Microenvironment
Bioreactors and Mechanical Training of Tissue Constructs
Microvascularization and Angiogenesis
Skin and Wound Healing
Soft Tissue Repair
Craniofacial and Dental Tissue Engineering
Musculoskeletal Tissue Engineering
Cardiovascular and Vascular Tissue Engineering
Neural Tissue Engineering
Organ Tissue Engineering
Cancer: In Vitro Models, Stem Cells
Endocrine and Metabolic Tissue Engineering
Immunology of Allografts and Xenografts
Nanotechnology for Tissue Engineering
Product Development, Scale-Up, Preservation and Shelf-life
Tissue Engineering and Regenerative Medicine in the Clinic

For more information about abstract content, format and submission procedure, contact Andrea Lubienski, Forecast Technology Group, Inc., alubienski@conferencestrategists.com.

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## SYIS-NA 2008 Activities Gearing Up

The new meeting and fundraising committee chairs, Jen and Allison, have been hard at work planning the SYIS-NA activities for the 2008 TERMIS-NA meeting in San Diego. Many of your favorite events from last year will be included as well as a couple of new events. Tentatively scheduled events include a welcome reception, resume workshop, poster competition, career fair, fun run 5K, student mentor lunch, and a panel discussion. Stay tuned for more details about these events as the meeting approaches. If you are interested in helping with the student activities at the 2008 TERMIS meeting, please contact Julie Steen at justeen@wfubmc.edu.

## 2008 Tentative Schedule for SYIS-NA Activities in San Diego

Visit the TERMIS-NA 2008 San Diego conference website, www.termis.org/na2008, for the latest information on the SYIS-NA activities.

Saturday December 6
7:00-9:00 p.m.: Welcome Reception

Sunday December 7
12:45-1:45 p.m.: Resume Workshop
6:00-8:00 p.m.: Poster Competition
6:00-8:00 p.m.: Career Fair

Monday December 8
7:00-7:45 a.m.: Fun Run
12:30-1:30 p.m.: Student Mentor Lunch

Tuesday December 9
12:30-1:30 p.m.: SYIS Annual Business Meeting
5:00-11:00 p.m.: Social Event

Wednesday December 10
8:30-9:30 a.m.: Panel Discussion

**Schedule is subject to change

## Mark Your Calendars to Attend the 2010 TERMIS-EU Galway Meeting!



TERMIS-EU: Galway, Ireland
Conference Dates: 13-17 June, 2010
Meeting Chair: Prof. Abhay Pandit
Conference Venue: Galway Radisson SAS Hotel

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## Laboratory Feature
## Nagoya University School of Medicine

**Department of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery, Department of Clinical Cell Therapy and Tissue Engineering, and Center for Genetic and Regenerative Medicine, Nagoya University School of Medicine**

**Minoru Ueda, Professor and Director**
Department of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery, Nagoya University Graduate School of Medicine
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http://www.med.nagoya-u.ac.jp/saisei/

Regenerative medicine is both an alternative procedure for transplants and has the potential to cure serious diseases. Japan has the most aged society in the world and could benefit from advances in regenerative medicine. Anti-aging medicine aims to improve or maintain patient quality of life as they age, and using regenerative medicine for this purpose is one of our central missions.


The Science Council of Japan chairman award (2004)
(The second person from right)

**1. Outline of our laboratory**

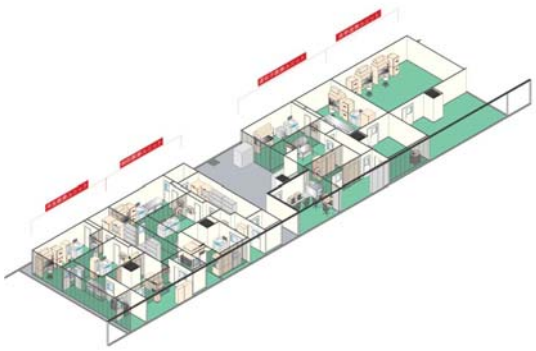
Professor Minoru Ueda assumed duty in 1994, and researches and clinical applications of regenerative medicine were accelerated. Clinical application of tissue-engineered bone for reproducing the alveolar and jaw bone lost due to periodontitis, face injury, tumor resection and so on was started and good results have been obtained. Furthermore, the predictable wrinkle treatment by the patient's own fibroblasts from the oral mucosa as a cell source is also being applied clinically. These techniques that are based on the concepts of translational research, always keep clinical applications in our mind. As a result, new business models have been found such as industry-university collaborations, new endowed chairs and translational research centers have been set up, and funds and talented researchers and clinicians have become available. Because of these distinguished achievements and high evaluations what comes to grips about his activities in industry-university collaborations is that he was awarded the Science Council of Japan chairman prize in 2004. Furthermore, the cultured epithelium that had been investigated at our laboratory over a long time was commercialized for the first time in Japan in 2007. With more than 70 members in and outside Japan, our laboratory has remained only in the field of oral and maxillofacial surgery, but has extended its activities in every direction.

**2. Research group**

**1) University, Institute**

(1) The Nagoya University Group

- Center for Genetic and Regenerative Medicine (2002~)



- Department of Clinical Cell Therapy and Tissue Engineering (2007~)
- Milk Teeth Cell Bank (2007~)

(2) Institute of Medical Science, the University of Tokyo
Stem Cell Engineering (2003~2008)

(3) Institute of Biomedical Research and Innovation
Kobe Medical Industry Development Project Research Group (2000~)

**2) Collaborated bio-venture companies**

(1) Japan Tissue Engineering Co., Ltd. (J-TEC)
http://www.jpte.co.jp/index.html

(2) ArBlast Co., Ltd.
http://www.arblast.jp/english/index.html

(3) Tooth Cell Bank Ltd.
http://t-c-b.info/

**3. Research activities**

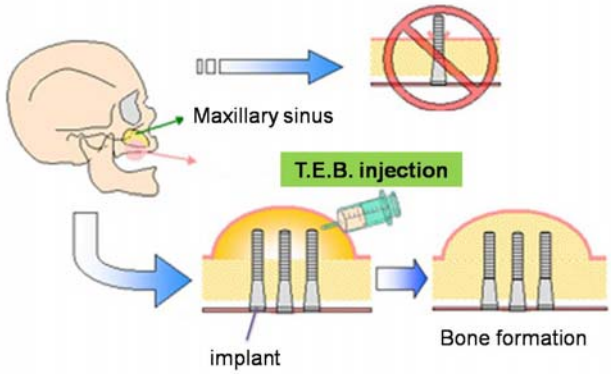
The research in our departments focuses on regenerative medicine by combining autogenous cells with tissue engineering technology. We have attempted to regenerate various tissues, including bone, skin, cartilage, and teeth. We have successfully translated basic

research into clinical applications, using mechanisms such as founding bio-venture companies to develop regenerative medicines. The main applications of our tissue engineering technology are:

**1. ) Injectable tissue-engineered bone**

Injectable tissue-engineered bone (TEB) is a novel technique of bone regeneration that uses mesenchymal stem cells and platelet-rich plasma to provide signaling molecules and matrix. TEB

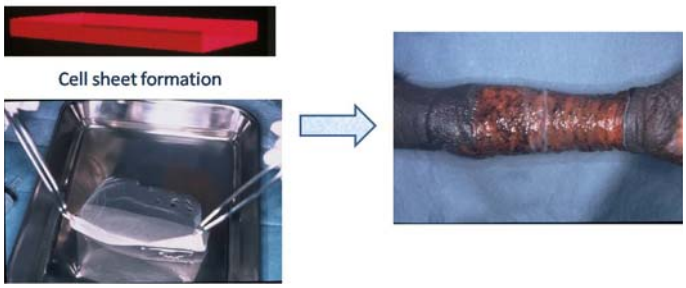
technology has been applied in clinical cases such as periodontitis, sinus floor elevation, and alveolar cleft, with favorable outcomes. This technology has been transferred to ArBlast Co., Ltd.



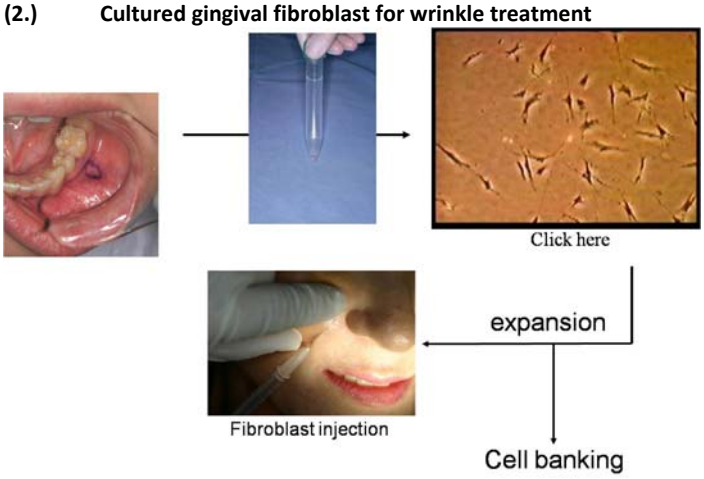

**2.) Skin**

**(1.) Cultured epidermis**

A cultured epidermis for skin grafting is made by isolating keratinocytes from a skin biopsy, culturing them in flasks, and forming them into epidermal sheets. By isolating keratinocytes from a 1-$cm^2$ skin sample and culturing them as illustrated below, a sheet of cultured epidermis measuring around 1000 $cm^2$ can be produced in around two weeks. This technology for keratinocyte cultivation was transferred to Japan Tissue Engineering Co., Ltd. (J-TEC).

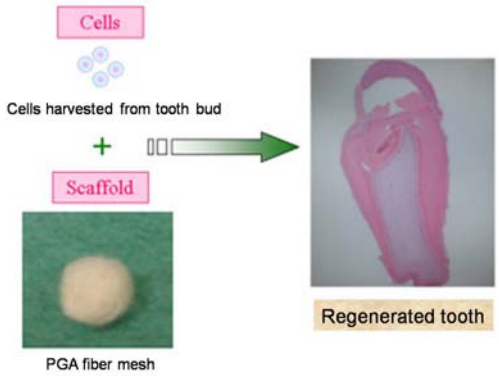



**(2.) Cultured gingival fibroblast for wrinkle treatment**



**(3.) Tissue-engineered tooth**

To regenerate teeth with tissue engineering, we are: a) identifying and characterizing stem cells in tissues from tooth germ, b) searching for molecules that affect stem cell differentiation, c) assembling these stem cells on artificial scaffold.




**4. Social activities**

Our research group has in the past organized several domestic and international meetings such as International Congress on Tissue Integration, the Tissue Engineering Society International and the Japanese Society for Regenerative Medicine. In addition to this, Professor Ueda serves on the continental council member of Tissue Engineering International & Regenerative Medicine, the international committee of the Academy of Osseointegration and he was the former president of the Asian Society of Tissue-Engineering. Moreover, Professor Ueda also serves as a scientific adviser of some bio-venture companies and he is a member of the regenerative medicine-related committee of the government.

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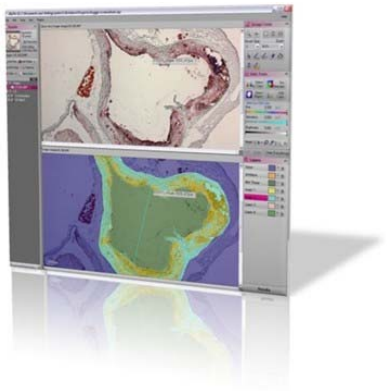
**Use your images as evidence!**



Microscope images can, if objectively quantified or measured, often be used as scientific evidence. BioPix iQ is an image analysis program, used for quantifying histological images of cells and tissues. BioPix iQ is so **easy to use and learn**, that anybody in a lab can use it. Let BioPix empower you with image analysis that is both **easy yet powerful**.

The program has been developed together with scientists at Gothenburg University, in order to guarantee the usefulness and ease of use. The interface and workflow is adapted for fast and easy quantification of hundreds of images and produces reliable data in no time. The applications of the program have been published in several journals (e.g. Boström et. al. Nature Cell Biology 2007).
BioPix is now happy to give you as a TERMIS member, a special sponsorship offer. We will rebate the standard price (4200 USD) to **3500** USD, and donate **15%** of all sales from its members to TERMIS.

A free trial of the program can be downloaded from our webpage www.biopix.se. Look for the TERMIS logo!
For any questions, of scientific or technical nature, please email peter.holmdahl@biopix.se




**Blood** **Transfusion Centre of Slovenia**
**Faculty of Technology and Metallurgy, University of Belgrade, Serbia**
**National Institute of Biology, Slovenia**
**Tissue Engineering and Regenerative Medicine International Society**
Organize the

**International Summer School**
*On*
**Advanced Biomedical Technologies for Treatment of Osteochondral Defects**

**Piran, Slovenia, September 14- 21, 2008**

The Summer School is organized as a PhD level course intended for graduate students in engineering and life sciences, with the focus on advanced approaches to the treatment of osteochondral defects. The aim is to introduce the students to different aspects of developing new strategies for clinical applications, starting with the clinical problem and laboratory scale systems, and ending with engineering, ethical and legislative issues in translation to clinics. The course will begin with the physiology of cartilage and bone, and the clinical problem of injury of these tissues. Next, the tissue engineering approaches to regeneration of injured tissues will be presented, with focus on the design and selection of appropriate biomaterials, and the design and operation of bioreactor systems. Finally, the methods for evaluation of engineered tissues will be reviewed followed by ethical issues and legislation in clinical applications. The course will include lectures and laboratory demonstrations of synthesis and production of various biomaterials as well as set up and operation of several tissue engineering bioreactors.

Program:

Clinical problem of cartilage and bone tissue injury
Autologous cell therapies for cartilage and bone tissue regeneration
Tissue engineering approaches to treat osteochondral defects
Biomaterials for cell support for cartilage and bone regeneration:
- Hydrogels (applications in cartilage tissue regeneration)
- Hydroxyapatites and composite biomaterials for bone tissue regeneration

Smart biomaterials in regeneration of cartilage and bone (functionalized biomaterials, biomaterials with controlled delivery of regulatory molecules, composite biomaterials)
Bioreactor systems for cartilage and bone tissue engineering
Characterization of engineered tissues
Ethical issues and legislation

Lecturers:
Andrea Barbero, Research Associate, University Hospital Basel
Bianca Baroli, Assistant Professor, University of Cagliary
Branko Bugarski, Professor, University of Belgrade
Smadar Cohen, Professor, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev
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Ralf Toenjes, Professor, Paul Erlich Institute, Langen
Gordana Vunjak-Novakovic, Professor, Columbia University
Dieter Wirz, Senior Scientist, University-Hospital Basel

Literature**:** Course notes available on July 15, 2008

Exam: 2 hour written exam after the completion of the course

Total**: 35 hours, 4 ECTS credits**

Certificate: The students who have completed the course and passed the exam will obtain a certificate for the PhD level course "Advanced Biomedical Technologies for Treatment of Osteochondral Defects" (4 credits) from the Faculty of Technology and Metallurgy, University of Belgrade, Serbia.

Fees: The School fee is 300 Eur, which will include attendance to the school lectures, exam, course notes, the book of abstracts as well as welcome cocktail and the farewell dinner. All students from Slovenia and Serbia are granted with the 60 % of the School fee by the Blood Transfusion Centre of Slovenia and the Faculty of Technology and Metallurgy, University of Belgrade so that the school fee for them is 120 Eur.

All members of the Tissue Engineering and Regenerative Medicine International Society (TERMIS) are granted with 60 % of the School fee.

Students of the Faculty of Technology and Metallurgy, University of Belgrade are exempt of paying the School fee and will receive the book of abstracts and course material for free. For a limited number of the best graduate students who are granted stipends from the Ministry of Science, Republic of Serbia during the year 2008, free travel to Piran, accommodation and attendance to the School will be arranged.

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## Upcoming Sessions Organized by the TERMIS-EU

ESAO Annual Meeting
Conference Dates: 3-6 September 2008
Conference Location: Geneve, Switzerland

Session title: "Innovative Emerging Approaches for the Tissue Engineering of Bone"
Time: 4 September, 2008 from 10:00 AM – 11:00 AM
Speakers: Dr. Rui Reis and Ivan Martin

European Society of Biomechanics
Conference Dates: July 6-9, 2008
Conference Location: Lucerne, Switzerland
ESB in Lucerne, details are as follows:

Session title: "Physical conditioning of engineered tissues: in vitro or in vivo bioreactors?"
Time: 7 July, 2008 from 16:00-17:30
Speakers: Mauro Alini, Georg Duda, Keita Ito, Ivan Martin

## Solicitation of Proposals for the 2011 TERMIS-NA Chapter Meeting

The TERMIS-NA Chapter Council would like to announce the solicitation of proposals for hosting the 2011 TERMIS-NA Chapter meeting. If you are interested in hosting the 2011 TERMIS-NA Chapter meeting, please submit your request to Sarah Wilburn at swilburn@termis.org. You will be provided with a meeting host form that asks detailed questions about the meeting organizers, location/venue, program, and meeting financials. When proposals are submitted, they will be reviewed by the TERMIS-NA chapter council and an official vote is conducted. Click here to view details about hosting a TERMIS meeting.

**The deadline to submit proposals is July 31, 2008.**

## 2009 2nd TERMIS World Congress

In

***Daejeon, South Korea at the***
***Daejeon International Convention Center***

From
***August 31 – September 3, 2009***

***In Conjunction with the***
2009 Seoul Stem Cell Symposium

www.termis.org/wc2009

Conference President: Dr. Shin-Yong Moon
Honorary Presidents: Drs. Hai Bang Lee, Jeong Man Kim, Kwang Won Kim and Chong Su Cho

Organized by:
The Tissue Engineering and Regenerative Medicine International Society
The Korean Tissue Engineering and Regenerative Medicine Society
Stem Cell Research Center

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**2009 3rd TERMIS World Congress**
In

***Vienna, Austria***

**September 5-8, 2012**

Hofburg Congress Center

*"Tissue Engineering and Regenerative Medicine"*

**Conference Chair: Heinz Redl, PhD**

**Program Chair: Martijn van Griensven**

**Ludwig Boltzmann Institute for Trauma Care in the AUVA Research Center and the Austrian Cluster for Tissue Regeneration**

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***Tissue Engineering,*** Official Journal of the Tissue Engineering and Regenerative Medicine International Society, has been receiving increasing numbers of excellent reviews and methods papers. ***Tissue Engineering*** (Part A) has traditionally focused on hypothesis-driven scientific reports. The ***Reviews*** and ***Methods*** journals will enable the flagship ***Tissue Engineering*** to bring these valuable papers to the readership on a much larger scale.

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This new journal meets the urgent need for high-quality review papers due to the rapid expansion of the field. The Journal presents critical discussions, analyses, and concise summaries of research in different aspects of the field to assess where we are now and future directions.

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*Tissue Engineering*, Part C, Methods

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Published: Quarterly ISSN: 1937-3384

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This new journal presents procedures and protocols that will be adopted by the tissue engineering community as the research is translated into clinical applications. Authoritative papers will bring consistency to the research methods employed and help the field grow and mature.

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**Upcoming Meetings Endorsed by TERMIS!**

**July 2008**

- European Society of Biomechanics
  Conference Dates: July 6-9, 2008
  Conference Location: Lucerne, Switzerland

  A TERMIS-EU Session will be held on July 7th from 16:00-17:30 titled, "Physical conditioning of engineered tissues: in vitro or in vivo bioreactors?" The speakers are Maruo Alini, Georg Duda, Keita Ito and Ivan Martin.

- XX International Fibrinogen Workshop
  Conference Dates: 10-13 July 2008
  Conference Location: Venice, Italy

**August 2008**

- Advances in Tissue Engineering Short Course
  Conference Dates: August 13-16, 2008
  Location: Rice University Campus, Houston, Texas

- CELLutions SUMMIT
  Conference Dates: August 11-13, 2008
  Conference Venue: Boston Marriott Cambridge Hotel
  Location: Cambridge, Massachusetts, USA

**September 2008**

- 3rd International Conference on Tissue Engineering
  Conference Dates: September 21-16, 2008
  Conference Location: Rhodes, Greece
  Conference Chair: Dr. Antonios G. Mikos

- ESAO Annual Meeting
  Conference Dates: 3-6 September 2008
  Conference Location: Geneve, Switzerland
  Deadline for Abstracts: 1 April 2008
  2nd Announcement & Call for Papers

**October 2008**

- IFATS08
  Conference Location: Toulouse, France
  Conference Dates: October 24-26, 2008
  Abstract Submission Deadline: August 10, 2008

- bone-tec 2008 - International Bone Tissue Congress
  Conference Dates: 7 - 9 November 2008
  Conference Location: Hanover, Germany

'The Institute Indente and all scientific partner organisations would like to invite you to participate in the international congress for modern bone regeneration **bone-tec 2008**. On the initiative of the ESB there will be a special ESB symposium as part of the bone-tec congress. We ask you to submit abstracts for this symposium 'Biomaterials for Hard Tissue Replacement'. **Bone-tec 2008** is based on the intention of showing new ways in bone, cartilage and tendon regeneration for the benefit of our patients. We would be delighted to welcome you to Hanover in November 2008.'

***Incorporating Special ESB Symposium***
**„Biomaterials for Hard Tissue Replacement"**
**ESB co-chairs: Prof. E. Schacht & Prof. L. Di Silvio**
**CALL FOR ABSTRACTS**
**Poster or Oral presentation**
- online submission only -
**Deadline 31 July, 2008**

**Sixth Annual meeting of the International Federation of Adipose Therapeutics and Science (IFATS)**
Investigators in basic and translational science and therapy will share knowledge, ideas, applications and prospective issues in an interactive and collaborative meeting from **October 24-26, 2008** in downtown Toulouse. Highlights of the conference will be characterization of the adipose stromal/stem cells, mechanisms and processes involved in the control of their fate, engineering and therapeutic applications in soft tissue reconstruction, bone formation, cardiovascular repair as well as plastic surgery.

We anticipate more than 150 researchers attending from dozens of countries around the world, joining with representatives of the more than 15 companies that are actively working in the area of adipose stem cells. **Register now for IFATS 08!** **www.ifats08.org.**

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