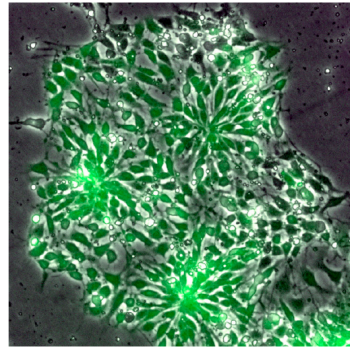


## Bochum Stem Cell Group

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### Newsletter Nr.2 February 2010

Please find herewith the second issue of the Newsletter of the Bochum Stem Cell Group. This Newsletter will appear at least once per semester and inform you about important developments and dates around the Stem Cell Network NRW.

The year 2010 has already witnessed a series of interesting results in stem cell biology, both on the basic research level and with regard to transfer from the bench to the bedside. These are good premises for the up-coming meeting of the **International Society for Stem Cell Research (ISSCR)** that will hold the **8<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting in San Francisco** from June 16-19, 2010. As one of many highlights the meeting features a plenary talk by S. Yamanaka, the famous discoverer of induced pluripotency. The generation of iPS-cells has meanwhile turned into one of the hottest fields in current life sciences and already has an important impact on many areas of research. The Stem Cell Network NRW has advertised a small number of stipends that will enable excellent young postdoctoral scientists at an early stage of their careers to attend the meeting in San Francisco. People interested in this programme may contact the speaker of the Bochum Stem Cell Group. Another important up-coming event is the **Annual Internal Meeting of the Stem Cell Network NRW**. The internal

meeting will take place in Herne from April 16-17 this year. This meeting offers an excellent opportunity to present the results of the laboratory to an interested group of colleagues who are all based in NRW. In the past, this meeting has fostered many interactions and collaborations, due to the relaxed and informal atmosphere and the opportunity given to interactions and discussion. There is no registration fee. Those who wish to participate should contact the Speaker of the Bochum Stem Cell Group.

Finally, the stem cell community in Dresden that developed around the newly founded and already famous Max-Planck-Institute of Molecular Cell Biology and Genetics have organized the **3rd International Congress on Stem Cells and Tissue Formation** that will take place from July 11-14

(<https://www.stemcellcongress-dresden.org/UserRegistration/tabid/95/Default.aspx>). The meeting in Dresden is programmed on a bi-annual rhythm and alternates with the international meeting set up by the Stem Cell Network NRW. The next meeting in the NRW series is planned for the

year 2011 in Essen. You will be informed in due time about further details.

Similar to the past years, the Stem Cell Network NRW has some funding means at its disposition for the current year. As already mentioned in the accompanying message, this year's **Internal Call 2010** is focussed on two funding areas. Grants will be given for interdisciplinary and trans-regional projects on the one hand. On the other hand, start-up financing for young researchers (max. 6 years of postdoc) will be provided. The details for the applications are explained in the addenda of the E-mail you received. The grants have to be submitted using the official channels, that is the Speaker of the Stem Cell Group who will forward the documents to the University President's office. Investigators interested in the call should contact the Speaker of the Bochum Stem Cell Group.

(<http://www.ruhr-uni-bochum.de/bochum-stemcell-group/>)

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