RIGeL Newsletter February 2015

RIGeL News

RIGeL room

From 1 February 2015 RIGeL has a new meeting room. PhD students and RIGeL sudent activity groups have the opportunity to use the RIGeL room for meetings or as a writing room for PhD thesis. The RIGeL room has the number BIO 1.2.37 and it is located in the old biology building (former Institute of Microbiology). The key for the room can be picked up in the RIGeL Coordination Office and soon also at the PhD Representatives of the RIGeL Sections.

BIOMED Summer School 2015

The next BIOMED Summer School will take place from 18 to 19 September 2015 in Weltenburg. The deadline for registration is 13 April 2015. For registration please contact Veronika Schmid (Veronika.Schmid@ur.de).

Updated list of methods

The list of methods used at the Faculty of Biology and Preclinical Medicine and in some departments of the Medical Faculty has been updated and is available within the RIGeL Members Area. In addition to the search option in the Members Area the list provides a complete overview of methods used in departments and institutes of the faculties.

Excursion Jobvector Career Day

The RIGeL Excursions & Trips team organizes a trip to the upcoming Jobvector Career Day in Munich. The excursion is scheduled for the 5th of March. Up to 50 RIGeL PhD students can participate in the excursion. For registration please see the RIGeL Event Calendar.

Deadlines

The next RIGeL application deadlines are: 13 February, 31 March, 28 April 2015.

People

New PhD Students

- Sara Afonso, Section Biomedicine, PhD topic: „Role of EHD1 for intracellular vesicle transport“
- Hans-Friedrich Ehrnsberger, Section CBB, PhD topic: „mRNA export in *Arabidopsis thaliana*“
- Silvia Esposito, Section CBB, PhD topic: „Co-transcriptional mRNA splicing in *Arabidopsis*“
- Thomas Rössler, Section CBB, PhD topic: „The function and regulation of Skp2 in the control of the cell cycle in Drosophila“
- Anna-Kristina Schmidtner, Section Neurobiology, PhD topic: „Utilizing animal models to assess the pathophysiology underlying depression and optimize treatment options“

RIGeL Events

Career Supporting Courses

04.02.2015	Method course **RNA Lecture Series Part II**: Detection and functional characterization of long non-coding RNAs; Dr. Markus Kretz, Biochemistry I, 17.00 h, H 53

09.-13.02.2015	Method course **Genexpressionsdatenanalyse (R-Course)** Prof. Dr. Rainer Spang, Institute of Functional Genomics, The course is already booked. Next course will take place after the summer semester.

Lectures & Talks

06.02.2015	**Dr. Roland Hatzenpichler** (Division of Geological and Planetary Sciences, California Institute of Technology) Title: „Visualization, identification, and proteo-genomic characterization of translationally active inter-domain consortia in methane seep sediments“ 11.00 h, H 53 Host: Prof. Dr. Reinhard Rachel, SFB 960-/ BZR-Colloquium
12.02.2015	**Dr. Wen-Hui Shen** (CNRS, IBMP-CNRS, Strasbourg, France) Title: „Chromatin remodeling in plant response to environmental stress“ 14.00 h, H 53 Host: Prof. Dr. Klaus Grasser, SFB 960-/ BZR-Colloquium
20.02.2015	**Prof. Dr. John A Gerlt** (Institute for Genomic Biology University of Illinois, USA) Title: „Enzyme Function Initiative: Tools and Strategies for Discovering Novel Enzymes & Metabolic Pathways“ 14:00 h, DE. 2.133 Host: Prof. Dr. Reinhard Sterner, SFB 960-/ BZR-Colloquium
26.02.2015	**Dr. Yuu Kimata** (Cancer Research UK Career Development Fellow, Cell Cycle Development Group, Department of Genetics, University of Cambridge) Title: to be announced Host: Prof. Dr. Frank Sprenger, SFB 960-/ BZR-Colloquium