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International Stem Cell Conference

«From Lab to Life – Regulations for New Developments in Stem Cell Research»

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Background of the Conference

Promising advances in stem cell research have been accompanied by the lack of clear regulatory frameworks leading to the situation that most of it is still in petri dishes or in early phase clinical trials. The difficult and fragmented laws on stem cell research and application give no clear guidelines for scientific activities in this field. This conference will bring together legal practitioners and academics with natural science scientists and medical doctors to discuss the stem cell research regulation in the EU and Switzerland, biobanking, stem cell patents as well as licensing and technology transfer issues in this field.

Registration

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The participation in the conference including lunch and coffee breaks is free of charge.

Please register by 8 May 2017 at the latest by using the attached registration form.

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8.30 **Registration**

8.50 – 9.00 **Welcome**

Prof. Dr. iur. Dipl.-Biol. Herbert Zech, University of Basel, Faculty of Law

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Session 1: A Closer Look at Recent Developments in Stem Cell Research

9.00 – 9.30 **Introduction to Stem Cell Technology and Recent Developments in the Field**

Prof. Dr. rer. nat. Volker Enzmann (Research Director, Department of Ophthalmology, Inselspital, University of Bern)

9.30 – 10.00 **The Regulation of Stem Cell Medicine – New Possibilities due to Point-of-Care Treatments and Hidden Hurdles by Patent Law**

Dr. iur. Timo Faltus, Dipl.-Jur., Dipl.-Biol. (Research fellow and the Project coordinator of the joint research project „GenomELECTION“, Martin Luther University, Halle-Wittenberg)

10.00 – 10.30 Coffee break

Session 2: International Stem Cell Research and Biobanking

10.30 – 11.00 **Responsible Research and Innovation: EBiSC**

Dr. Shawn Harmon (Reader in Law, University of Edinburgh, School of Law, European Bank for induced pluripotent Stem Cells)

11.00 – 11.30 **Discussion**

MLaw Inesa Chmurec (PhD student, University of Basel, Faculty of Law)

11.30 – 13.00 Lunch break

Session 3: Regulations of Stem Cell Research

13.00 – 13.30 **Legal History of the European Research Commons and Recent Approaches to Stem Cell Research**

Dr. Shakeel Thomas Bhatti (Post-doctoral research fellow, University of Basel, Faculty of Law)

- 13.30 – 14.00 **Stem Cell Research Regulations in Switzerland**
MD Julia Djonova (Head of Unit Transplants Division Inspectorates, Swissmedic, Bern)
- 14.00 – 14.30 **Stem Cell Research Regulations in the EU**
MLaw Inesa Chmurec (PhD student, University of Basel, Faculty of Law)
- 14.30 – 15.00 **Discussion**
Prof. Dr. Claudia Seitz, M.A. (University of Basel, Faculty of Law)

15.00 – 15.30	Coffee break
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Session 4: IP Review – “Putting” the IP in Stem Cell Technologies

- 15.30 – 16.00 **Recent European Case Law Developments in Stem Cell Patenting: Where do we stand and what lies ahead?**
Prof. Dr. Timo Minssen (Centre for Information & Innovation Law (CIIR), University of Copenhagen (UCPH))
- 16.00 – 16.30 **Stem Cell Research and Technology Transfer – Challenges for the Commercialization and Licensing of Stem Cell Technologies**
Prof. Dr. Claudia Seitz, M.A. (University of Basel, Faculty of Law)
- 16.30 – 17.00 **Discussion**
Prof. Dr. iur. Dipl.-Biol. Herbert Zech (University of Basel, Faculty of Law)

17.00	End of conference
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