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Hermann Bujard EMBO Executive Director

I am pleased to introduce this annual report informing you of EMBO activities in 2007. My short time as Executive Director has reinforced my conviction of the continuing relevance of our mission and the unique asset of the EMBO membership to guide us in achieving our goals.

Since 1964 EMBO has adhered to the founding principles of *promoting molecular biology in Europe and neighbouring countries*. Accordingly, recognising and fostering of talented scientists and disseminating cutting edge scientific knowledge are hallmarks of our programmes. They aim at furthering our understanding of processes and mechanisms of living systems at the molecular level and thereby contribute knowledge to meet the challenges of a changing world.

In 2007 we have again seen outstanding research achievements in molecular life science with impressive contributions of members of our communities. We are delighted with the recognition of *Sir Martin Evans* who was awarded the Nobel Prize in Physiology or Medicine. He is the 45th Nobel Laureate in our membership. His discoveries were crucial for present-day stem cell research and together with his co-laureates, *Oliver Smithies* and *Mario Capecchi*, he opened up new perspectives for the exploration of gene functions in mammalian systems, obviously of utmost relevance to medicine.

The following report details the objectives, operations and highlights of EMBO programmes, activities and publications over the past year. Almost 800 of the 1300 EMBO Members are actively involved in these endeavours. While participating in many of last year's committee meetings, I witnessed engaged and well-informed members prepared for critical discussion preceding decisions. This engagement is why EMBO excels in the quality of its programmes and policies. Indeed, the EMBO membership is more than an illustrious body of scientists with outstanding research achievements. It is, and always has been, a spirited *academy* of leading scientists who care about future generations.

Dedicated EMBO staff members in Heidelberg ensure the successful delivery of all EMBO programmes, activities and publications. The EMBO Fellowship Programme – now also reaching out to molecular medicine to foster relationships between clinicians and scientists - again saw record numbers of applications for funding of post-doctoral studies (see page 20). Eighteen scientists joined the EMBO Young Investigator Programme to benefit from the networking and career advancement initiatives offered (see page 22). Nine scientists were recipients of the EMBO Installation Grants - the second year of this initiative that supports leading young scientists to return from abroad to set up their laboratories in countries aiming to improve their research capability (see page 23).

A hallmark of all these programmes is the cultivation of contacts within each community as exemplified by the EMBO Fellows Meeting and the meetings of EMBO Young Investigators and Installation Grant awardees. These meetings spark exchange and initiatives across disciplines and countries.

Equally successful was the EMBO Courses & Workshops Programme in which we sponsored and co-organised over 70 practical courses, workshops and conference series, attracting more than 6,000 participants (see page 21). EMBO also joined with EMBL and CERN to organise the conference *Women in Science: The Way Forward* (see page 33). A renowned speaker faculty at the 8th Annual EMBO/EMBL Science & Society Conference last November stimulated lively discussion related to *The future of our species – Evolution, disease and sustainable development* (see page 24).

Our publications – *The EMBO Journal, EMBO reports* and *Molecular Systems Biology* – continued to perform well over the past year and EMBO Council supported the planned launch of a molecular medicine journal in 2009 (see pages 28 to 31).

Each year EMBO Members rigorously adhere to the election process of new members who have made significant contributions to molecular life sciences. In 2007, 50 new members – ordinary and associate – joined our ranks (see pages 54 to 63). These new members, while enjoying recognition by their peers, also join the *academy* and thus participate in the guidance of our programmes, activities and publications. They ensure continuous rejuvenation of the membership. Ten of the newly elected members were former EMBO Young Investigators. Thus, we observe interesting transitions between our communities, as also exemplified by *Jan Löwe*, the 2007 awardee of the EMBO Gold Medal – a former EMBO Fellow and Young Investigator elected to EMBO membership in 2004 (see page 34).

Attention to the changing European research environment by both EMBO and EMBC allows the proactive introduction of new activities to benefit our communities of members, young investigators and fellows. In 2007, EMBO Council supported a recommendation by the ELSO President and EMBO Executive Director to incorporate ELSO into EMBO in late 2008. By doing so, we will address yet another community of young scientists - graduate and PhD students - and are confident that future EMBO Annual Meetings, to begin in 2009, will be significant events on the calendars of life scientists at all career stages. Importantly, this annual meeting also will incorporate aspects of the EMBO Science & Society Programme and hopefully stimulate public policy debate.

Of course, this reflection on the achievements of 2007 cannot be complete without recognition of *Frank Gannon*, who retired as Executive Director of EMBO this past June. Frank's tenure of more than 13 years created a strong platform from which we will execute the EMBO mission as we move forward. My sincere thanks to Frank for this foundation and to EMBO Council and EMBC Delegates for the support I have enjoyed to date. I look forward to the year ahead and to opportunities for EMBO to further influence the direction of European research by promoting excellence in molecular life sciences.

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Tim Hunt EMBO Council Chair



Christiane Nüsslein-Volhard EMBO Secretary General

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For EMBO, 2007 was a year of change, with the departure of *Frank Gannon* in June and the subsequent appointment of *Hermann Bujard*, an EMBO Member since 1976, as Executive Director. Hermann is no stranger to EMBO. He was integral to the location of EMBO in Heidelberg and has previously served two terms on EMBO Council. The transition appeared seamless, thanks to the devoted and experienced staff and highly engaged and loyal EMBO Members who ensured the high scientific standards were maintained.

EMBO aims to identify scientific quality, mainly in people. Most of the budget is spent on fellowships, and we know we do an excellent job of identifying the best candidates who benefit from the recognition and support as an EMBO Fellow. The evaluation of applications is extremely labour-intensive, and the Committee must read an unimaginably large pile of paper. Applications number well over 1000 each year and continue to increase. We could give twice as many long-term fellowships without seriously compromising our standards, and we would love to do so: but this would require the budget to double. This could only happen if the contributors to EMBC would agree.

While visiting the last EMBC meeting, I felt that delegates from a number of EMBC Member States appeared favourable to a substantial budget increase. For smaller countries, the advantages appear obvious, but how can we convince the UK Medical Research Council, for example, that giving more EMBO Fellowships is a sensible, cost-effective use of their limited funds? They will say that they have no interest in sending, say, Swedes to the USA, and you can easily sympathize with this view. But it overlooks the fact that the UK is a huge beneficiary almost certainly a net gainer - of first-rate young scientists, hand-picked by an experienced panel of judges. The postdocs and young investigators come from all over Europe, and they greatly enrich research in the life sciences in the UK. We, EMBO, know that science makes progress through clever, hard-working people, that investment in the best people pays dividends, while spending money on second-rate science is a horrible waste.

A large fraction of EMBO personnel are editors of our journals. Pernille Rørth left Heidelberg for Singapore in 2007 but continues as Editor-in-Chief of The EMBO Journal, keeping in close touch with the team by regular videoconferences. Likewise, Frank Gannon continues in charge of EMBO reports, with regular visits to Heidelberg. A plan to launch a new journal devoted to molecular medicine has been incubating for some time. EMBO aims to set a good example with its journals, and they bring in a small but most welcome income that allows us to experiment with new ideas. I hope that those among you with medical connections will support our latest journal by submitting your best work, as well as reviewing and advising.

As an intergovernmental organisation, EMBC is fortunate to rely on EMBO, an organisation of scientists for scientists in Europe, to define and execute its programme. During 2007 we aimed at intensifying the communication between EMBC and EMBO Council.

The development of the EMBL Advanced Training Centre (ATC) is an ideal opportunity to intensify and expand the collaboration between EMBC, EMBO and EMBL and to attract not only European scientists but scientists worldwide.

With the launch of the European Research Council (ERC), competition for funds has increased. But the support of the 27 Member States for EMBC continued with strong conviction to support frontier research at the international level in the domain of molecular life sciences.

In addition to well-established elements of its General Programme, like the long- and shortterm fellowships, courses and workshops and the science and society activities, EMBC responds to the needs of the scientific community in a rapid and pragmatic way. An example of this responsiveness is the EMBC acceptance, in 2006, of the EMBO Installation Grants Programme as a special project. Croatia, the Czech Republic, Estonia, Hungary, Poland, Portugal and Turkey participate to attract researchers, who have spent a successful research period abroad, to establish laboratories in these countries. The second call in 2007 attracted 58 high-quality candidates, from whom nine were selected and are linked to the EMBO Young Investigator network. The programme is open for other EMBC Member States to join.

EMBC and EMBO responded to the European Commission's Charter for Researchers and the Code of Conduct for the Recruitment of Researchers, welcoming all efforts to improve researchers' careers. The co-ordination of social security schemes and improving the portability of pension rights are important aspects of the global scientist labour market. EMBC and EMBO support the general principles applicable to funders, employers and researchers as outlined in the Commission's European Charter for Researchers and the Code of Conduct for the Recruitment of Researchers.

In 2007, EMBC welcomed two new Member States, the Slovak Republic and Luxembourg. EMBC is opening up for worldwide co-operation, with the drafting of a collaborative agreement with South Africa, to be signed in early 2008. Australia recently signed an agreement with EMBL and has now also approached EMBC to explore possibilities for collaboration.

At the end of 2007 Marja Makarow ended her four-year term as President of EMBC and left the Finnish delegation to the EMBC to take office as Chief Executive of the European Science Foundation in Strasbourg.

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Marja Makarow EMBC President

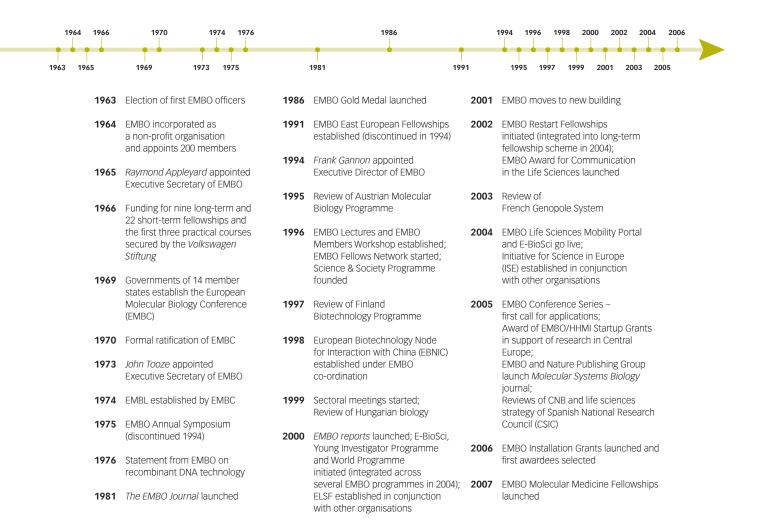


Isabella Beretta EMBC Secretary General

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History

The origins of EMBO date back to 1963, when a group of leading European biologists gathered in Ravello, Italy to discuss proposals by *John Kendrew* and *Conrad Waddington* to establish an organisation and laboratory for co-operation in molecular biology. Both proposals were endorsed and later, in July 1964, the European Molecular Biology Organization (EMBO) was officially born.

The Ravello meeting laid down two initial goals for EMBO – the creation of a central laboratory and the establishment of networking activities to enhance interactions between scientists across Europe. To pursue these goals, two committees were set up. The efforts of the Laboratory Committee led to the establishment of the European Molecular Biology Laboratory (EMBL). The Federal Organisation Committee became the motor for the EMBO Fellowship Programme and Courses & Workshops Programme.

The Ravello meeting also saw the election of *Max Perutz* as the first EMBO Chairman and John Kendrew as Secretary General. Thanks to the efforts of another EMBO founding member, *Eduard Kellenberger*, EMBO was awarded official legal status on 12 July 1964. The Volkswagen Foundation provided start-up funding for the organisation and EMBO initiated its first networking activities including fellowships, practical courses and the election of 200 biologists as the first EMBO Members. The EMBO Council worked hard to secure long-term funding for EMBO and in 1969 the governments of 14 member states established the European Molecular Biology Conference (EMBC). Formal ratification followed in 1970. EMBC adopted the activities started with the Volkswagen funding and these became known as the EMBC General Programme. Soon after its foundation, EMBC also accepted a proposal by EMBO to establish a European laboratory. As a result, 10 EMBC Member States came together in 1974 to form EMBL as an independent intergovernmental organisation.

Today EMBC has grown to 27 member states including most of the European Union (EU) and some neighbouring countries. Thanks to EMBC funding and the success of *The EMBO Journal*, EMBO has been able to expand its scope dramatically over the years, particularly in the past decade (see timeline opposite). Every year thousands of scientists benefit from EMBO training, career development and networking activities. The organisation also plays an increasing role in European science policy.

With a current membership of over 1,300 of Europe's leading life scientists and 80 associate members worldwide, EMBO has become a focal point of the European life sciences community and a major catalyst for high-quality research.

EMBO

The European Molecular Biology Organization (EMBO) works with leading researchers to promote excellence in the molecular life sciences in Europe. The organisation supports training and exchange at all stages of the scientific career, promoting collaboration across Europe and worldwide. EMBO activities are funded predominantly by the European Molecular Biology Conference (EMBC) as part of the EMBC General Programme.

Through EMBC, EMBO supports over 600 research fellowships annually and more than 70 practical courses, workshops and conference series. The EMBO Young Investigator Programme promotes outstanding young group leaders across Europe, while EMBO Installation Grants strengthen scientific development in selected EMBC Member States. EMBC also supports the EMBO Science & Society Programme, promoting dialogue between scientists and other sectors of society, and its Electronic Information Programme, providing web-based services to EMBO and its communities.

EMBO also funds initiatives independently. These activities are developed based on careful analysis of the needs of the European life sciences community. Start-up funding comes primarily from EMBO publications and occasionally from European Union (EU) grants or collaborations with international organisations. EMBO pilots these activities to determine the potential benefit of adding them to the EMBC General Programme. Scientific publishing is another mainstay of EMBO. *The EMBO Journal* and *EMBO reports* are already well established in the scientific literature with a reputation for quality and innovation. *Molecular Systems Biology* aims to set the same standards in the emerging field of molecular systems biology. Published exclusively online, the open-access journal is the first electronic publication to be dedicated to this field.

EMBO takes its lead from the scientific community and in particular the EMBO Members. EMBO elects new members annually on the basis of excellence in research. With over 1,300 EMBO Members in Europe and more than 80 associate members worldwide, the organisation provides a dedicated focal point for the European life sciences community. EMBO Members are some of the leading researchers in Europe. Forty-five scientists from the EMBO membership have received the Nobel Prize. The membership provides valuable input to EMBO in all of its activities, in particular through participation in the EMBO committees.

The EMBO Council is engaged intensely in EMBO actions, contributing strategically to the direction of the organisation. Comprising 15 EMBO Members, elected by the membership, the Council meets annually with EMBO management to discuss and review EMBO activities. A dedicated team of managers, administrators and editors deliver these activities at the EMBO headquarters in Heidelberg, Germany.

EMBC

The European Molecular Biology Conference (EMBC) is the intergovernmental organisation that contributes the core funding of EMBO. Through the contributions of its 27 member states, EMBC supports and finances the majority of EMBO activities, providing quality scientific initiatives at a pan-European level. EMBC membership includes most of the European Union (EU) and a number of neighbouring countries (see table).

EMBC funds a wide range of EMBO activities as part of its General Programme (see opposite page). The EMBO Fellowship Programme, Courses & Workshops Programme and Young Investigator Programme are the main recipients of funding, but EMBC also supports other important actions such as the EMBO Science & Society and Electronic Information Programmes. Selected EMBC Member States also fund the new EMBO Installation Grants, awarded to scientists establishing research groups in their countries (see page 23).

Both EMBC and EMBO are driven by a common commitment to quality research at the pan-European level. The actions of both organisations are characterised by selection on the grounds of quality and a strong co-operation with the scientific community. EMBC has decision-making power over the funding and development of EMBO activities associated with the EMBC General Programme, while EMBO has full responsibility for their delivery. EMBC monitors EMBO activities and the overall programme is decided when the EMBC Delegates meet twice annually in conference.



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EMBL

The creation of a central molecular biology laboratory was one of the founding goals of EMBO. The early efforts of the EMBO Laboratory Committee, the EMBO Council and EMBC led to the subsequent establishment of the European Molecular Biology Laboratory (EMBL). In 1974 EMBL became an independent entity supported by a subset of EMBC Member States. Today 20 of the EMBC Member States are also member countries of EMBL.

EMBL has five core missions: to conduct basic research in molecular biology; to provide essential services to scientists from its member

states; to provide high-level training to staff, students and visitors; to develop new instrumentation for biological research; and to transfer the benefits of new discoveries and technologies to society. These core functions are complemented by outreach activities in the areas of science and society and training for science teachers. EMBL, EMBO and EMBC are independent organisations but all three act in a mutually supportive manner, both at a strategic and practical level. Full details of EMBL activities can be found in the EMBL Annual Report or on the laboratory's website at www.embl.org.



Aerial view of EMBO and EMBL Heidelberg in Germany. The EMBC administration is also located in the EMBO building. The annual meeting of EMBO Council took place on 10–11 October 2007. Major decisions from the meeting are listed below along with other important EMBO actions that are not described elsewhere in this report.

Council, committee and membership elections

→ *Tim Hunt* was re-elected as Chair of EMBO Council for 2008. *Anton Berns* was re-elected as Vice-Chair of EMBO Council for 2008. *Christiane Nüsslein-Volhard* was re-elected as Secretary General of EMBO.

→ Anton Berns and Daniel Louvard were reelected to Council by the membership for the period 2008–2010. Carl-Henrik Heldin was newly elected and Maria Blasco, Roberto di Lauro and Ferenc Nagy were co-opted for the same period.

→ Fifty EMBO Members were elected in the 2007 membership election, eight of these associate members. Details of the individual EMBO Members are listed on pages 54-63.

 \rightarrow Former Executive Director, *Frank Gannon* retired from EMBO at the end of June 2007.

→ Hermann Bujard took up the position of Executive Director as of July 2007.

→ EMBO Council approved the appointments of *Gerlind Wallon* and *Jan Taplick* as Deputy Directors of EMBO beginning in 2008.

Financial matters

→ The EMBO Council unanimously approved the budget for EMBO activities for 2008. This funding comes from income generated by EMBO publications and supplements the EMBC financing of the EMBO Fellowship, Young Investigator, Courses & Workshops and Science & Society Programmes. It is also used to pilot EMBO activities that are not part of the EMBC General Programme. One current example is the EMBO Molecular Medicine Fellowships. This funding also ensures that EMBO has the adequate staff and infrastructure to fulfil its responsibilities to the EMBO Members and the EMBC Member States.

→ The EMBO Council determined that an extraordinary strategy meeting should be scheduled in early 2008.

EMBO programmes & publications

→ EMBO will continue to plan for the launch of a Molecular Medicine Journal in early 2009.

→ EMBO will establish a working party to define the future direction of publication activities.

EMBO Officers & Council 2007 Christiane Nüsslein-Volhard Secretary General, EMBO

Tim Hunt Chair, EMBO Counci

Anton Berns

Margaret Buckingham Roberto di Lauro Ingrid Grummt Ari Helenius Daniel Louvard Carlos Martínez-A. Marjori Matzke Daniela Rhodes Benny Shilo David Shore Kai Simons Gunnar von Heijne Maciej Żylicz

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Valeria Kaplan

is the new administrator for the EMBO membership and EMBO Council.

Departures

Claudia Hagedorn EMBO Membership and Council Administrator Bernhard Huber Financial Manager and

Bärbel Traut-Laur

Finance Administration are responsible for EMBO's finances.

EMBO Committee Chairs 2007

Maria Leptin Chair, EMBO Membership Committee

Anthony Pugsley Chair, EMBO Fellowship Committee

Pico Caroni Chair, EMBO Course Committee

Regine Kahmann Chair, EMBO Young Investigator Committee

Roberto Sitia Chair, EMBO Science & Society Committee

Eric Westhof Chair, EMBO Publications & Electronic Information Committee

See **pages 52–53** for a complete list of the current EMBO Council and Committee members.

EMBO/EMBL Co-operation

→ The EMBO Council selected two EMBO Members, *Marc Kirschner* and *Andrew Murray*, to represent EMBO on the EMBL Scientific Advisory Committee.

→ EMBO will continue planning with EMBL on developing joint EMBO/EMBL Symposia to be held in the new EMBL Advanced Training Centre (ATC) after its opening in 2009.

EMBO/ELSO fusion

→ The European Life Sciences Organization (ELSO) will be incorporated into EMBO following the 2008 ELSO Annual Meeting.

→ EMBO will work with ELSO to organize and promote the 2008 ELSO Meeting and, beginning in 2009, will hold an annual scientific meeting, the EMBO Annual Meeting.

→ *Tim Hunt* and *Kai Simons* will represent the EMBO Council on the Organising Committee of the first EMBO Annual Meeting in 2009.

Other EMBO activities Awards

→ Jan Löwe of the Medical Research Council's Laboratory of Molecular Biology (UK) won the 2007 EMBO Gold Medal for his work elucidating the structure and function of proteins involved in bacterial cytoskeleton and cell division (see page 34). → French cell biologists, *Ali Saib* and *Christian Sardet*, received the 2007 EMBO Award for Communication in the Life Sciences (see page 35).

Meetings

→ The annual EMBO Members Workshop was held in Barcelona, Spain on 26–29 October 2007. The meeting featured a lecture by *Aaron Ciechanover*, Nobel Laureate and EMBO Member, on the ubiquitin system and a media communication workshop.

→ The EMBO Executive Director and EMBO Managers were engaged in a variety of other meetings and collaborations – in particular with the Federation of European Biochemical Societies (FEBS) and the various programmes of the European Commission (EC).

→ EMBO held the Women in Science: The Way Forward conference in Heidelberg on 9–11 May, organized within SET-Routes, a joint project with EMBL and CERN, and financed by the EU 6th Framework programme. The conference focused on moving forward to find concrete ways to improve the prospects of women working in science (see page 33).

→ EMBO continues to drive and participate in the activities and meetings of the European Life Sciences Forum (ELSF) and the Initiative for Science in Europe (ISE) (see page 38). In 2007, two formal sessions of EMBC were held in Heidelberg and Hamburg. The EMBC Strategic Working Party also met once and a meeting of the Financial Advisory Group took place in Portorož (Slovenia). The decisions and actions resulting from these meetings are listed below.

EMBC Officers

→ Peter Weisbeek (Netherlands) was elected President for 2008. Krešimir Pavelić (Croatia) was re-elected Vice-President and Claudio Sunkel (Portugal) was elected Vice-President for the first time.

→ Isabella Beretta (Switzerland) was re-appointed EMBC Secretary General.

→ Maria José Almeida (Portugal) was elected Chair of the Financial Advisory Group and the Audit Committee for 2008. Paula Heppner (Germany) was elected Vice-Chair of the Financial Advisory Group and the Audit Committee.

Financial matters

→ EMBC accepted the accounts for 2006 and noted the reports of the external and internal auditors.

→ EMBC started its discussions on the next draft indicative scheme covering the period 2010-2015.

Reports on EMBO/EMBC activities

→ At each of its formal sessions, EMBC heard a report on the delivery by EMBO of the EMBC General Programme. At its July session, the EMBC welcomed the new Executive Director of EMBO, Professor *Hermann Bujard*.

→ The EMBC Special Project supporting Strategic Development Installation Grants (known as the EMBO Installation Grants scheme) received 58 applications. Nine scientists were selected to receive funding from the seven participating member states as of 2008.

→ A joint declaration by both EMBC and EMBO on the EC's European Charter for Researchers was signed and sent to the EC. EMBO and EMBC will continue to monitor developments in this area.

→ A detailed report on the quality analysis of the EMBO Young Investigator Programme was presented.



Gitta Bourke is the administrator for EMBC, located in the EMBO building. EMBC officers for 2007

Marja Makarow (Finland) President

Krešimir Pavelić (Croatia) Peter Weisbeek (Netherlands) Vice-Presidents

Isabella Beretta (Switzerland) Secretary General

Brita Beije (Sweden) Chair, Financial Advisory Group/ Audit Committee

Maria José Almeida (Portugal) Vice-Chair, Financial Advisory Group/ Audit Committee

Strategic Working Party 2007 Ahmet Ademoğlu (Turkey) Brita Beije (Sweden) Isabella Beretta (Switzerland) Eckhart Curtius (Germany) Julien Galabru (France) Marja Makarow Chair (Finland) Juan Modolell (Spain) Krešimir Pavelić (Croatia) Glauco Tocchini-Valentini (Italy) Peter Weisbeek (Netherlands) Douglas Yarrow (United Kingdom) EMBO & EMBC PROGRAMMES & ACTIVITIES 2007

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Jan Taplick Programme Manager

Liselott Maidment Administrator Long-term fellowships

Agnès Visser-de Matteïs Administrator Short-term fellowships



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Renowned for its strict attention to scientific excellence, the EMBO Fellowship Programme has supported thousands of talented young scientists since its launch in the 1960s. EMBO Fellowships support post-doctoral and pre-doctoral research visits of varying duration to laboratories throughout the EMBC Member States and internationally.

- Approximately 200 long-term fellowships and 200 short-term fellowships awarded annually
- Annual EMBO Fellows Meeting for fellows in the final year of their long-term fellowship
- EMBO Fellows Network forging links between EMBO Fellows past and present
- Professional training for long-term fellows including EMBO Laboratory Management Courses (see page 22) and EMBO Media Workshops (see page 24)
- Special conditions for EMBO Fellows with children (see page 33)

- 2007 HIGHLIGHTS
- → EMBO Long-Term Fellowships 1288 applicants / 212 awards 16% success rate
- → EMBO Short-Term Fellowships 409 applicants/211 awards 52% success rate
- → EMBO Fellows Meeting 22-25 June 2007 Heidelberg, Germany 78 participants
- → EMBO Laboratory Management Courses for long-term fellows
- → For long-term fellowship trends and statistics, see pages 66-85
- → For short-term fellowship trends and statistics, see pages 86–107

The EMBO Courses & Workshops Programme has a long-standing reputation in scientific training. The programme funds high-quality meetings, providing training on a range of molecular biology topics to scientists at all career stages. A careful selection process ensures that only the best and most novel meetings are funded.

- Over 70 meetings funded annually, attracting approximately 6,000 participants
- Varied training including practical courses, workshops and conference series on a wide range of novel topics
- Joint activities sponsored with other scientific organisations such as EMBO-ESF Symposia
- Maximum grant of € 30,000 per meeting depending on budgetary requirements
- Travel grants for practical course participants from selected countries
- Free online HelpDesk service assists organisers with websites, posters and online application/registration
- → For a list of all courses, workshops and conferences in 2007, see pages 118-122
- → For a list of 2008 courses, workshops and conferences, see pages 136–139

- 2007 HIGHLIGHTS
- → EMBO Practical Courses 23 applications / 18 funded* 8 applications / 8 funded**
- → EMBO Workshops 39 applications/24 funded* 1 application/1 funded**
- → EMBO Conference Series 21 applications / 14 funded*
- → EMBO Lecture Courses 3 applications/2 funded* 2 applications/0 funded**
- → ESF-EMBO Symposia 12 applications/5 funded
- → HelpDesk service 35 websites, 29 posters
 - * Within Europe (EMBC) ** Outside Europe

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Lynne Turnbull Administrator Online HelpDesk

Departures

Mary Gannon Programme Manager

Marion Poth Administrator **Gerlind Wallon** Programme Manager

Kim Krynauw Administrator The EMBO Young Investigator Programme supports outstanding young group leaders in the early years of their independent careers. Launched in 2000, the programme currently supports a network of over 200 scientists in 23 EMBC Member States. The young investigators benefit from unique networking and training opportunities designed to raise their profile, widen their network and support their research groups.

- Approximately 20 EMBO Young Investigators selected annually
- Networking support through annual meetings, laboratory exchanges and EMBO Member mentorship
- Promotional activities including sponsorship of lectures at international meetings and distribution of a brochure profiling the young investigators
- Training opportunities such as laboratory management courses, an annual PhD course for the young investigators' students and satellite meetings on different topics
- Annual award of €15,000 plus possible topup funds from EMBO
- One year's free subscription to EMBO reports and free online access to The EMBO Journal

2007 HIGHLIGHTS

- → EMBO Young Investigator Programme 131 applicants/18 awards 14% success rate
- → 7th EMBO Young Investigator Meeting 13–15 June 2007 | EMBL, Heidelberg, Germany
- → EMBO Young Investigator Lectures 47 lectures sponsored at international meetings
- → EMBO Laboratory Management Courses and Advanced Leadership Courses For young group leaders and EMBO Fellows
- → 6th EMBO Young Investigator PhD Course 23–30 September 2007 | Heidelberg, Germany 36 participants
- → 1st EMBO Young Investigator Sectoral Meeting on Neurobiology 16 June 2007 | Heidelberg, Germany

- → For a list of EMBO Young Investigators selected in 2007, see page 108
- → For programme statistics and EMBO Young Investigator Lectures in 2007, see pages 110-117
- → For a list of programme events in 2008, see pages 140-141

Launched in 2006, EMBO Installation Grants aim to strengthen science in selected EMBC Member States. Building on earlier initiatives targeting Central and Eastern Europe, the grants offer scientists an attractive funding and networking package to relocate and establish their laboratories in a participating country. Awardees are closely integrated into the young investigator network, helping them to establish a reputation in the European scientific community. Gerlind Wallon Programme Manager

Kim Krynauw Administrator

- Nine scientists selected in 2007
- Participating countries: Croatia, the Czech Republic, Estonia, Hungary, Poland, Portugal and Turkey
- Annual grant of €50,000 for three to five years
- Networking support through the EMBO Young Investigator Programme (see opposite page)
- Annual meetings to network scientists in the participating countries e.g. EMBO/HHMI Central European Scientists Meetings

2007 HIGHLIGHTS

- → EMBO Installation Grant awards 58 applicants/9 awards 16% success rate
- → 5th EMBO/HHMI Central European Scientists Meeting 13–16 September 2007 | Tallinn, Estonia

Current participating countries			
Croatia	Poland		
Czech Republic	Portugal		
Estonia	Turkey		
Hungary			

→ For a list of the EMBO Installation Grant Recipients selected in 2007, see page 109

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The EMBO Science & Society Programme has been promoting and strengthening communication between life scientists and other sectors of society for over eight years. A range of initiatives helps scientists to communicate their research more effectively, stimulate and inform public debate, and contribute to improvements in science education and policymaking.

- Public dialogue on scientific developments of social concern through annual conferences co-organised with EMBL
- Analysis of current issues in European life sciences policy resulting in publications informing policy-making
- Annual Award for Communication in the Life Sciences rewarding scientists for outstanding communication with the public
- Media communication training for young scientists
- Activities supporting education in the molecular life sciences
- Sessions at European scientific meetings
- Funding of science and society speakers at European scientific meetings
- → For a list of programme events in 2008, see page 140

2007 HIGHLIGHTS

→ 8th EMBO/EMBL Joint Conference on Science & Society The future of our species – Evolution, disease and sustainable development

2–3 November 2007 | Heidelberg, Germany 190 participants

- → EMBO Award for Communication in the Life Sciences Ali Saib and Christian Sardet (see page 35)
- → 6th EMBO International Workshop on Secondary School Biology Education 17–19 May 2007 | Heidelberg, Germany 92 participants from 27 countries
- → 7th EMBO Media Workshop 23 June 2007 | Heidelberg, Germany 78 participants
- → Media communication workshop at EMBO Members Workshop Communicating difficult issues

28 October 2007 | Barcelona, Spain

The Electronic Information Programme supports EMBO programmes, networks and the wider scientific community with web-based services that include the EMBO website, online application and registration systems, the EMBO Life Sciences Mobility Portal and EMBO fellowsNet.

- Up-to-date information on EMBO activities, the EMBO community and the life sciences in general through the EMBO website
- Searchable online database of information on European funding, training and career opportunities through the EMBO Life Sciences Mobility Portal
- Support of web-based interaction and communication within the EMBO Fellows Network through EMBO fellowsNet (see page 20)
- Integrated online services and application systems for the Fellowship Programme and Young Investigator Programme
- Online application and registration systems for the Courses & Workshops Programme and its online HelpDesk service

Professional content management systems for the EMBO and EMBC websites

2007 HIGHLIGHTS

→ Two-fold increase in visitors to EMBO Life Sciences Mobility Portal compared to prior year More than 26,500 visitors in September 2007

- → Twelve percent increase in annual hits on EMBO website More than 851,500 hits in December 2007
- → EMBO fellowsNet More than 900 registered users
- → Online HelpDesk for EMBO Courses & Workshops Programme Improved functionality, updates and maintenance



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The EMBO Journal has been the flagship EMBO publication for over 20 years. With a current impact factor of 10.086 and a citation half-life of 7.4 years,* the journal has an international reputation for quality and originality. Published papers are amongst the best in their fields, providing novel insights into a diverse range of biological problems.

- Broad scope spanning all areas of molecular biology (see subject categories on page 31)
- Owned and run by EMBO, published by Nature Publishing Group (NPG)
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- Free online access after 12 months via nature.com and PubMed Central (immediate access to the developing world through the WHO-brokered HINARI initiative)
- Full archive available online

2007 HIGHLIGHTS

- → EMBO Open introduced Authors can publish via an Open Access model
- → Rapid time to first decision on manuscripts Average of five days following submission
- → High submission rate from outside Europe 56% of submitting authors
- → E-mail alerts increase by 14 percent over prior year Monthly average of almost 85,000 registrants
- → Online RSS feeds implemented Average monthly uptake more than 78,000
- → Meeting of Senior Advisors 9 October 2007 | Heidelberg, Germany
- → More than 700 entries for annual cover contest

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EMBO reports uniquely caters for both the scientific community and general readers interested in the social impact of biological advances. With a varied perspective on current research in a range of articles including research papers, reviews, scientific reports and journalistic viewpoints, the journal currently has an impact factor of 8.175.* *Journal Citation Reports,

- Diverse scope covering all areas of molecular biology (see subject categories on page 31)
- Three sections: Science & Society, Reviews, Scientific Reports
- Owned and run by EMBO, published by Nature Publishing Group (NPG)
- Professional EMBO editorial team supported by a Senior Editor and international Advisory Editorial Board of EMBO Members
- Publication of special issues on topics of current scientific and social interest
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- Free online access after 12 months via nature.com and PubMed Central (immediate access to the developing world through the WHO-brokered HINARI initiative)

Full archive available online

2007 HIGHLIGHTS

- → Science & Society special issue Genes, brain/mind and behaviour (July 2007)
- → Introduction of *Talking Points* article type One controversial topic addressed from two points of view in *Science & Society* or *Reviews* sections
- → Scientific paper submissions increased 14% increase on 2006
- → EMBO Open introduced Authors can publish using an Open Access model
- → International press citations Including The Wall Street Journal
- → Rapid time to first decision on manuscripts Average of seven days following submission
- → High submission rate from outside Europe Almost 50% of submitting authors
- → For a list of Advisory Editorial Board members, see pages 64-65

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 Wide scope covering all aspects of molecular systems biology (see subject categories on page 31)

- Immediate free access to all content online, supported by an author publication charge
- Professional EMBO editorial team, panel of Senior Editors and Advisory Editorial Board of leading systems biology researchers
- Published by Nature Publishing Group (NPG) and jointly owned by EMBO and NPG
- Variety of article formats including primary research papers, reviews, perspectives, news & views, and editorials
- Rapid publication and wide exposure of articles across NPG's subject area pages and gateways
- Enhanced support for structured data formats such as Systems Biology Markup Language (SBML)

2007 HIGHLIGHTS

Molecular Systems Biology is an open-access publication dedicated to the growing field of

systems biology at the molecular level. Published exclusively online since 2005, the journal provides a unique forum for the publication of papers describing the molecular properties and behaviour of complex biological systems. The journal aims to set standards in the field,

structuring research output and using pioneering systems biology technologies.

- → Achieved Impact Factor 7.941*
- → Submissions increased two-fold
- → Open-access licence extended Authors can permit derivative works
- → Introduced Perspectives article type Communicates novel concepts and innovative research directions
- → Systems Biology in Human Health and Medicine reprint collection published 8900 printed copies distributed to Nature Biotechnology subscribers and others
- → Redesigned homepage Added thumbnails to research papers, Top 10 downloads, and links to Latest blog posts
- → Launched The Seven Stones blog Instant online publishing and commenting platform on systems and synthetic biology
- → Journal partner for the 8th International Conference on Systems Biology and for RECOMB Satellite Conference on Systems Biology 2007

*Journal Citation Reports, Thomson 2007

Subject categories

The EMBO Journal, EMBO reports and Molecular Systems Biology

- → Development
- \rightarrow Immunology
- → Neuroscience
- → Plant Biology
- → Structural Biology
- → Genomic & Computational Biology
- → Genome Stability & Dynamics
- → Chromatin & Transcription
- → RNA

Categories unique to Molecular Systems Biology

- → Bioinformatics
- → Proteomics
- → Functional Genomics
- → Structural Genomics

- → Proteins
- → Cellular Metabolism
- → Signal Transduction
- → Cell Cycle
- → Differentiation & Death
- → Membranes & Transport
- → Cell & Tissue Architecture
- → Microbiology & Pathogens
- → Molecular Biology of Disease
- → Metabolic and Regulatory Networks
- → Synthetic Biology
- → Computational Methods
- → Simulation and Data Analysis





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Since 1994, EMBO has offered its services as a review body to the EMBC Member States, carrying out several assessments of national research programmes. Each review is executed by an expert panel of EMBO Members, who analyse the strengths and weaknesses of the respective life science programme. A comprehensive report and detailed recommendations are delivered to the relevant research councils or ministries.

EMBO's most recent review evaluated various ounits in the Spanish National Research Council's (CSIC) life science programme. A 2005 assessment of the Spanish National Biotechnol-

ogy Centre (CNB) in Madrid, one of the largest units of the CSIC, was followed by a broader more strategic look at 19 of the CSIC's life science institutes.

EMBO Reviews (1995–2005)				
1995	Austrian Biochemistry & Biotechnology Programmes			
1997	Finland Biotechnology Programme			
1999	Hungarian Academy of Sciences (life science centers)			
2003	French Genopole System			
2005	Spanish National Biotechnology Centre (CNB)			
2005	Spanish National Research Council (CSIC)			

EMBO assesses and acts upon imbalances in the scientific career path, with a focus on female scientists and researchers with young children. Monitoring of EMBO programmes ensures that the needs of all scientists are addressed, regardless of personal circumstances. EMBO aims to support researchers returning to science after a career break and to ensure family-friendly working conditions for all scientists.



- Analysis of gender balance in EMBO activities and the life sciences generally
- Strategic measures to address imbalances and promote family-friendly conditions in research
- Annual studies and statistics on the participation of female scientists in EMBO programmes
- Collaboration with other scientific organisations such as the FEBS Women in Science working group and the SET-Routes initiative with EMBL and CERN
- Targeted events such as the SET-Routes Women in Science Conference
- Special conditions for EMBO Fellows with children including paid parental leave, parttime working hours, possibility of child-care support and a waiver of the requirement to move country for restart candidates

Extended eligibility period for female scientists with children applying to the Young Investigator Programme (see page 22)

2007 HIGHLIGHTS

- → SET-Routes International Conference, Women in Science: The Way Forward 9-11 May 2007 | Heidelberg, Germany 5000 copies of proceedings distributed
- → FEBS/EMBO Women in Science Session, Strategies and programmes to facilitate careers for women 32nd FEBS Congress 9 July 2007 | Vienna, Austria

→ Research paper published

A persistent problem: Traditional gender roles hold back female scientists EMBO rep **8**: 982–987 (2007)

→ For statistics on the participation of women in EMBO activities, see pages 126-130 Departure Anna Ledin Administrato



The EMBO Gold Medal is awarded annually to a young life scientist for exceptional research carried out in Europe. Widely regarded as the most prestigious award of its kind, the prize highlights the standards being reached in molecular biology research in Europe and brings some of the very best young scientists to the attention of a global audience.



The 2007 winner was Jan Löwe, head of the Molecular Machines group at the Medical Research Council's Laboratory of Molecular Biology. Löwe was honoured for his landmark work elucidating the structure and function of proteins involved in bacterial cell division.

Jan Löwe received his award and presented a lecture on his research at a special award ceremony on 27 October 2007 at the EMBO Members Workshop in Barcelona, Spain.

Winners of the EMBO Gold Medal 1986 Iohn Tooze (Heidelberg DE)

1986	John looze (Heidelberg, DE)				
1987	Barbara Pearse (Cambridge, UK)				
1988	Antonio Lanzavecchia (Basel, CH)				
1989	Hugh Pelham (Cambridge, UK)				
1990	Erwin Wagner (Vienna, AT)				
1991	Patrick Stragier (Paris, FR)				
1992	Carl-Hendrik Heldin (Uppsala, SE)				
1993	Jim Smith (London, UK)				
1994	Paolo Sassone-Corsi (Strasbourg, FR)				
1995	Richard Treisman (London, UK)				
1996	Enrico Coen (Norwich, UK)				
1997	Dirk Görlich (Heidelberg, DE)				

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1998	Adriano Aguzzi (Zurich, CH)		
1999	Konrad Basler (Zurich, CH)		
2000	Christof Niehrs (Heidelberg, DE) &		
	Daniel St. Johnston (Cambridge, UK)		
2001	Matthew Freeman (Cambridge, UK)		
2002	Amanda Fisher (London, UK)		
2003	Anthony Hyman (Dresden, DE)		
2004	María Blasco (Madrid, ES)		
2005	Dario Alessi (Dundee, UK)		
2006	Frank Uhlmann (London, UK)		
2007	Jan Löwe (Cambridge, UK)		

The EMBO Award for Communication in the Life Sciences is presented annually to life scientists in Europe for outstanding contributions to the public communication of science. The prize rewards these scientists for their exceptional efforts to combine science communication with a full-time research career. Joint winners in 2007 were French cell biologists *Ali Saib*, Professor at University of Paris 7, and *Christian Sardet*, Head of the BioMarCell group in Villefranche-sur-Mer at the Marine Center of the University of Paris 6 (UPMC) and the Centre National de la Recherche Scientifique (CNRS).



Ali Saib received the award in recognition of his steadfast interest in communicating scientific material to the broad public and students of all ages. He initiated a project to educate young people in the inner city of Marseille on infectious diseases such as HIV/AIDS and STD. Following its success, he established an innovative project named Les Apprentis-Chercheurs - novice researchers - an action of L'arbre des connaissances - the tree of knowledge - an association he founded. This project collaborates with high schools, universities, the INSERM and CNRS Research Institutes allowing undergraduate students to visit research labs and work directly with scientists on research projects, bridging the gap between science and society.

The award to **Christian Sardet** recognised his highly original use of interactive multimedia technology to communicate scientific information including detailed molecular events. His establishment of a creative team to produce educational animations called *BioClips* evolved into the annual International Festival *Cinema of the Cell*, held during ELSO meetings in Nice and Dresden, and accompanied by the BioClips.com website.

Ali Saib and Christian Sardet received their awards and presented their communication work on 3 November 2007 at the EMBO/EMBL Science & Society Conference in Heidelberg, Germany.

Winners of the EMBO Award for Communication in the Life Sciences

- 2002 Ronald Plasterk (Utrecht, NL)
- 2003 Peter Csermely (Budapest, HU)
- 2004 Fran Balkwill (London, UK)
- 2005 Edoardo Boncinelli (Milan, IT)
- 2006 Armand Marie Leroi (London, UK)
- 2007 Ali Saib (Paris, FR) &
 - Christian Sardet (Villefranche-sur-Mer, FR)



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Administrator Online HelpDesk Every year EMBO sponsors plenary lectures by EMBO Members at major international scientific meetings. The aim is two-fold – to support EMBO Members in their collaboration with scientists from associated fields and to raise the profile of European science worldwide. Sponsorship of plenary lectures raises awareness of EMBO activities within a wide scientific audience. In 2007, EMBO sponsored 26 plenary lectures, 18 of these within EMBC Member States.

EMBO Plenary Lectures 2007: Geographical distribution							
Europe (16 lecture	es)	Outside Europe (8 lectures)					
Austria (3)	Hungary (1)	Argentina (1)	New Zealand (1)				
Croatia (1)	Italy (2)	Australia (2)	United States of America (1)				
Denmark (1)	Norway (1)	China (1)	Uruguay (1)				
France (2)	Slovenia (2)	Mexico (1)					
Germany (3)	United Kingdom (1)						
Greece (1)		-					

→ For full details of 2007 plenary lectures, see pages 124–125

EMBO Communications is an information resource for scientists, decision-makers, the media and the general public. A number of targeted activities support an active communication channel between EMBO and its networks of members, young investigators and fellows.

- Up-to-date information on EMBO activities, the EMBO community and the life sciences through the EMBO website (see page 25)
- EMBOencounters newsletter, featuring the latest news from EMBO and its scientific networks
- Information and publicity material on EMBO activities e.g. brochures, flyers, posters
- Print and online advertising in major scientific publications e.g. Nature, Science
- Regular contact with the EMBO Community, keeping scientists informed of developments at EMBO
- Interaction with the scientific community at major European scientific meetings

Communication with the media, providing a trusted source of information on EMBO activities and the life sciences

2007 HIGHLIGHTS

- → EMBOencounters Two issues
- → Print & online advertising Nature, Nature Medicine, Science, New England Journal of Medicine & EMBO publications
- → Press coverage

Nature, Science Careers, Lab Times, BioSpektrum & other key publications

Exhibition presence

32nd FEBS Congress July 2007 | Vienna, Austria



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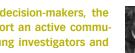


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The European Life Sciences Forum (ELSF) is a platform of organisations representing the life sciences in Europe. Founded by EMBO, the Federation of European Biochemical Societies (FEBS), EMBL and the European Life Scientist Organization (ELSO), ELSF aims to increase the impact of the research community in public and policy-making arenas. ELSF is also a found-ing member of the Initiative for Science in Europe (ISE) and co-ordinator of its activities.

- Analyses current issues in European science policy, co-ordinating campaigns on key topics such as research infrastructures and career development
- Monitors the activities of the European Research Council (ERC), structuring input from the scientific community
- Co-ordinates the input of the wider scientific community on crucial issues of European science policy via ISE
- Develops and maintains strong relationships with the European Commission and Parliament



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	Puhar, Andrea	Austrian	Pasteur Institute, Paris, France	University of Padua, Italy	The role of <i>Shigella</i> T3S-dependent modulation of extracellular ATP release and calcium signalling in neutrophil migration
	Rembold, Martina	Austrian	Institute for Genetics, Cologne, Germany	Institute for Genetics, Cologne, Germany	Adhesion remodelling during gastrulation in Drosophila
	Schoeftner, Stefan	Austrian	CNIO, Madrid, Spain	CNIO, Madrid, Spain	The role of global and telomeric chromatin status during tumourigenesis and stem cell biology
	Stubbs, Janine	Austrian	Institute for Research in Biomedicine, Bellinzona, Switzerland	Institute for Research in Biomedicine, Bellinzona, Switzerland	Analysis of the human antibody response to infection with the malaria parasite <i>Plasmodium falciparum</i>
	Zebisch, Armin	Austrian	The Beatson Institute for Cancer Research, Glasgow, UK	Division of Haematology, Graz, Austria	Functional analysis of signal transduction pathways conferring the effects of oncogenic and non-oncogenic RAF mutations
Belgium	Capoen, Ward	Belgian	John Innes Centre, Norwich, UK	John Innes Centre, Norwich, UK	Identification of secondary messengers involved in Nod factor induced calcium signalling
	Laurent, Patrick	Belgian	Laboratory of Molecular Biology, Cambridge, UK	Free University of Brussels, Belgium	Genetics and cell biology of neuropeptide release
	Vanneste, Steffen	Belgian	Institute of Plant Science, University of Goettingen, Germany	VIB, Ghent, Belgium	Exploring the molecular mechanisms underlying PIN polar targeting and plant cell polarity
Croatia	Boban, Mirta	Croatian	Max F. Perutz Laboratories, Vienna, Austria	Ludwig Institute for Cancer Research, Stockholm, Sweden	The role of nucleoplasmic lamin A/C-LAP2alpha complexes in maintenance of genomic stability and cell-cycle control
	Halic, Mario	Croatian	Harvard Medical School, Boston, USA	University of Munich, Germany	Structural insights into the mechanisms of heterochromatin-associated RNAi
Czech Republic	Hlavackova, Veronika	Czech	Institute of Pharmacology and Toxicology, University of Wuerzburg, Germany	Institute of Molecular Genetics, Czech Academy of Science, Prague, Czech Republic	Determination of agonist-dependent conformational changes and kinetics of dimeric receptor activation

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Denmark	Lund, Mikael	Danish	Academy of Sciences of the Czech Republic, Prague, Czech Republic	Lund University, Sweden	Ion specific effects in biological systems
Finland	Johansson, Marie	Finnish	MRC, London, UK	National Public Health Institute, Helsinki, Finland	Regulation of cell polarity, adhesion and motility by Dkk1 and its targets
	Karpanen, Terhi	Finnish	Hubrecht Laboratory, Utrecht, Netherlands	University of Helsinki, Finland	Origin and genetic regulation of lymphatic endothelium
France	Bernard, Frederic	French	University of Cambridge, UK	University of Cambridge, UK	Specific cell-response to Notch pathway activation
	Berro, Julien	French	Yale University, New Haven, USA	CEA, Grenoble, France	Theoretical and experimental approaches to study the onset of contractile ring assembly
	Boyault, Cyril	French	Harvard Medical School, Boston, USA	Harvard Medical School, Boston, USA	Comprehensive proteomics analysis of the mammalian circadian clock
	Burguiere, Eric	French	McGovern Institute, Cambridge, USA	College de France – LPPA, Paris, France	Behavioral and electrophysiological analysis of a murine model of Parkinson's disease
	Clery, Antoine	French	Institute of Molecular Biology and Biophysics, Zurich, Switzerland	Institute for Molecular Biology and Biophysics, Zurich, Switzerland	Structure determination by NMR spectroscopy of ASF/SF2 in complex with specific RNA targets and with the inhibitory factor p32
	Clouaire, Thomas	French	Wellcome Trust Centre for Cell Biology, Edinburgh, UK	Wellcome Trust Centre for Cell Biology, Edinburgh, UK	Characterisation of DNA binding specificity and <i>in vivo</i> targeting of the methyl-CpG binding protein MBD1
	Coudreuse, Damien	French	The Rockefeller University, New York, USA	CEA Saclay, Gif-sur-Yvette, France	Regulation and function of the nucleo- cytoplasmic ratio in the fission yeast Schizosaccharomyces pombe
	Delaval, Katia	French	MRC, London, UK	MRC, London, UK	The role of epigenetic mechanisms in regulating L1 LINE elements in the mammalian genome
	Deleris, Angelique	French	University of California, Los Angeles, USA	CNRS, Strasbourg, France	Control of <i>de novo</i> DNA methylation by DRM2 and DRM3
	Dumont, Julien	French	Ludwig Institute for Cancer Research, La Jolla, USA	Ludwig Institute for Cancer Research, La Jolla, USA	Mechanism of meiotic chromosome segregation in the holocentric nematode <i>C. elegans</i>
	Feillet, Celine	French	University of Fribourg, Switzerland	Institute of integrated cellular neurosciences, Strasbourg, France	Unravelling the food entrainable clock by restoration of function in Per2 mutant mice
	Guevorkian, Karine	French	Curie Institute, Paris, France	Curie Institute, Paris, France	Nanotubes from cells grafted on patterned surfaces

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F rance (cont.)	Jaillais, Yvon	French	The Salk Institute for Biological Studies, La Jolla, USA	Laboratory of Plant Reproduction and Development, Lyon, France	Modulation of brassinosteroid signalling by other plant hormones
	Levy, Emmanuel	French	University of Montreal, Canada	MRC, Cambridge, UK	Directed evolution of protein–protein interactions in vivo
	Lo Bianco, Christophe	French	Wallenberg Neuroscience Center, Lund, Sweden	Wallenberg Neuroscience Center, Lund, Sweden	Understanding and modelling risk factors for sporadic Parkinson's disease
	Morgane, Poulain	French	National Institute of Medical Research, London, UK	NIMR, London, UK	The role of Wnt signalling in endodermal organogenesis in zebrafish
	Oury, Franck	French	Columbia University, New York, USA	IGBMC, Illkirch, France	Mediation of leptin regulation of bone mass by serotonin
	Pauleau, Anne-Laure	French	DKFZ, Heidelberg, Germany	DKFZ, Heidelberg, Germany	Influence of oxidants on cell fate determination by use of a GFP-coupled redox sensor
	Ribes, Vanessa	French	NIMR, London, UK	NIMR, London, UK	Signal integration: crosstalk between BMP and Shh signalling pathways and the establishment of cell fate in the vertebrate nervous system
	Richard, Patricia	French	Columbia University, New York, USA	Columbia University, New York, USA	Transcription termination by RNA polymerase II
	Robert, Thomas	French	IFOM-FIRC, Milan, Italy	CEA, Fontenay-aux-Roses, France	Mechanisms controlling activation and inactivation of the DNA damage checkpoin
	Rolhion, Nathalie	French	Center for Molecular Microbiology and Infection, London, UK	Microbiology Laboratory, Clermont-Ferrand, France	Analysis of the involvement of the deubiquitinating activity of SseL in the virulence of <i>Salmonella enterica</i> serovar Typhimurium
	Rougemaille, Mathieu	French	University of California, USA	CNRS, Gif-sur-Yvette, France	Determinants and roles of nucleosome positioning in the establishment and inheritance of gene silencing
	Speder, Pauline	French	Wellcome Trust/Cancer Research UK Gurdon Institute, Cambridge, UK	Institute of Signalling, Developmental Biology & Cancer, Nice, France	Regulation of neural regeneration and cell fate in the central nervous system of <i>Drosophila</i>
	Weill, Laure	French	CRG, Barcelona, Spain	CNRS, Gif-sur-Yvette, France	Role of Dicer and proteins associated in gene silencing

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Germany	Bange, Tanja	German	Max Planck Institute for Biochemistry, Martinsried, Germany	Max Planck Institute for Biochemistry, Munich, Germany	Screening for new substrates of E3 ligases
	Baumann, Christoph	German	CeMM - Center for Molecular Medicine, Vienna, Austria	Center for Molecular Medicine, Vienna, Austria	Dissecting pathogen recognition complexes of Toll-like receptors: hunting for new co-receptors and ligands
	Beckmann, Karsten	German	Max Planck Institute of Biochemistry, Martinsried, Germany	Max Planck Institute of Biochemistry, Martinsried, Germany	The regulation of fibronectin extracellular matrix and its role in atherogenic signalling
	Betz, Timo	German	Curie Institute, Paris, France	Curie Institute, Paris, France	Actin-membrane interactions in biomimetic and living cellular systems studied by a novel, high precision optical method
	Dettmer, Jan	German	University of Helsinki, Finland	University of Helsinki, Finland	Dissection of hormonal and genetic regulation of <i>Arabidopsis</i> root vascular development
	Dormann (Schmid), Dorothee	German	Adolf Butenandt Institute, Munich, Germany	The Rockefeller University, New York, USA	Cellular mechanisms of protection from mitochondrial dysfunction and neurodegeneration in Parkinson's disease
	Filipp, Fabian Volker	German	University of California, La Jolla, USA	EMBL, Heidelberg, Germany	Structure and drug interactions of Vpu from HIV-1 in membrane environments
	Friedrich, Beate	German	Cancer Research UK London Research Institute, UK	Max Delbrueck Centre, Berlin, Germany	Substrate recognition by ubiquitin conjugating enzymes: the Ubc5-RNAPII interaction
	Guettler, Sebastian	German	Samuel Lunenfeld Research Institute, Toronto, Canada	Cancer Research UK London Research Institute, Lincoln's Inn Fields Laboratories, London, UK	Structural and functional analysis of the Hpo-Mats-Wts tumour suppressor network in humans and flies
	Hanisch, Anja	German	Cancer Research UK London Research Institute, UK	Max Planck Institute for Biochemistry, Munich, Germany	Dynamics of notch signalling and the somite segmentation clock
	Hartlieb, Bettina	German	Unit for Virus Host-Cell Interactions (UVHCI), Grenoble, France	Robert Koch Institute, Berlin, Germany	Structural and functional characterisation of novel CC2D1 complexes regulating endosomal budding processes
	Heeger, Sebastian	German	Cancer Research UK London Research Institute, UK	Cancer Research UK London Research Institute, UK	Cell cycle-regulated chromosome condensation in the budding yeast <i>S. cerevisiae</i>
	Hein, Peter	German	University of California, San Francisco, USA	University of Wuerzburg, Germany	Functional genomic analysis of G protein- coupled receptor trafficking
	Hoeller, Daniela	German	Medical University, Innsbruck, Austria	Institute for Biochemistry II, Frankfurt/Main, Germany	Cell-cycle dependent and independent dynamics of p27 modifications

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Germany icont.)	Hofer, Sonja	German	University College London, UK	Max Planck Institute of Neurobiology, Martinsried, Germany	Channelrhodopsin-2 assisted manipulation of cortical circuit development
	Hothorn, Michael	German	The Salk Institute for Biological Studies, La Jolla, USA	EMBL, Heidelberg, Germany	Molecular mechanism of dual function protein connecting plant hormone signalling and chloroplast development
	Kepp, Oliver	German	INSERM, Paris, France	Max Planck Institute for Infection Biology, Berlin, Germany	The molecular mechanism of preapoptotic calreticulin exposure
	Kirsten, Bacia	German	University of California, Berkeley, USA	University of Dresden, Germany	Reconstitution and visualisation of transport vesicle budding
	Koelsch, Verena	German	University of California, La Jolla, USA	University of California, San Diego, La Jolla, USA	Analysing the role of the Ras effector TJ1 in controlling chemotaxis in <i>Dictyostelium</i>
	Lange, Adam	German	ETH, Zurich, Switzerland	ETH, Zurich, Switzerland	Structure and dynamics of amyloid fibrils from the prion protein HET-s: a combined solid-state NMR and molecular dynamics simulations study
	Lempe, Janne	German	University of Washington, Seattle, USA	Max Planck Institute for Developmental Biology, Tuebingen, Germany	Robustness and evolvability of complex traits in plants
	Maier, Tobias	German	CRG, Barcelona, Spain	CRG, Barcelona, Spain	The dynamics of protein complexes in <i>Saccharomyces cerevisiae</i> : monitoring and modelling changes in protein complex composition over the cell cycle
	Maile, Tobias	German	Cancer Research UK London Research Institute, UK	Cancer Research UK London Research Institute, UK	Investigation of the role of Yki/YAP in regulation of apoptosis and cell proliferation control
	Mansfeld, Joerg	German	The Wellcome Trust/Cancer Research UK Gurdon Institute, Cambridge, UK	ETH, Zurich, Switzerland	How does the APC/C recognise specific substrates at specific times in mitosis?
	Medenbach, Jan	German	EMBL, Heidelberg, Germany	EMBL, Heidelberg, Germany	Dual-layer translational control: understanding the msl-2 paradigm
	Meissner, Torsten	German	Dana-Farber Cancer Institute, Boston, USA	Dana-Farber Cancer Institute, Boston, USA	Signal processing by the pathogen- recognition receptor NOD2
	Mikeladze-Dvali, Tamara	German	ISREC, Epalinges, Switzerland	New York University, USA	Mechanisms of centrosomal inheritance in the <i>C. elegans</i> germline
	Mittag, Jens	German	Karolinska Institute, Stockholm, Sweden	Max Planck Institute for Experimental Endo- crinology, Hannover, Germany	Analysis of the endocrine metabolic regulation in mice with a dominant negative mutation of the thyroid hormone receptor an

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Muller, Patrick	German	Harvard University, Cambridge, USA	Harvard University, Cambridge, USA	Cellular and molecular mechanisms of self-regulation in zebrafish	
Petry, Sabine	German	University of California, San Francisco, USA	MRC, Cambridge, UK	Functional and structural analysis of microtubule nucleation within the mitotic spindle	
Rehwinkel, Jan	German	Cancer Research UK London Research Institute, UK	EMBL, Heidelberg, Germany	Innate recognition of viral RNA by the DExD/H-box helicase RIG-I and antagonism by the influenza A virus NS1 protein	
Riedel, Christian	German	Harvard University, Boston, USA	Max F. Perutz Laboratories, Vienna, Austria	Molecular mechanisms of longevity control	
Sachse, Carsten	German	MRC, Cambridge, UK	Fritz Lipmann Institute, Jena, Germany	Electron cryo-microscopy of endosomal sorting complexes	
Sandmann, Thomas	German	Temasek Life Sciences Laboratory, Singapore	EMBL, Heidelberg, Germany	A reverse genetics approach to identify and characterise functionally important non-coding RNAs in the fruit fly <i>Drosophila</i> <i>melanogaster</i>	
Sapetschnig, Alexandra	German	Wellcome Trust/Cancer Research UK Gurdon Institute, Cambridge, UK	Institute of Molecular Biology and Tumor Research, Marburg, Germany	Identification of microRNA regulatory transcriptional networks	
Sauer, Michael	German	CNIO, Madrid, Spain	ZMBP, Tuebingen, Germany	Genetic regulation of protein trafficking pathways: the transport of storage proteins in <i>Arabidopsis</i>	
Schuberth, Christian	German	EMBL, Heidelberg, Germany	EMBL, Heidelberg, Germany	Identification and characterization of the transport machinery mediating COPI-independent Golgi-to-ER recycling	
Sebastian, Sarah	German	Imperial College London, UK	Imperial College London, UK	The role of calcium-dependent protein kinases (CDPK1 and CDPK5) in <i>Plasmodium</i> life cycle control and their validation as antimalarial drug targets	
Wahle, Tina	German	Laboratory of Neuronal Differentiation, Leuven, Belgium	Laboratory of Molecular Cellbiology, Bonn, Germany	Neuronal protein trafficking during ageing and in neurodegenerative diseases	
Walther, Kirstin	German	Max Planck Institute of Molecular Physiology, Dortmund, Germany	Max Planck Institute of Molecular Physiology, Dortmund, Germany	3D Fluorescence lifetime imaging of MMP activity in the breast tissue microenvironment	
Weyand, Simone	German	Imperial College London, UK	EMBL, Hamburg, Germany	Structural and biochemical studies of NDI-1 of <i>Saccharomyces cerevisiae</i>	
Wildner, Hendrik	German	The National Institute for Medical Research, London, UK	Max Delbrueck Center, Berlin, Germany	Analysis how signalling pathways and transcriptional mechanisms interface to regulate differentiation and specification of neural progenitor/stem cells	

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Greece	Agelopoulos, Marios	Greek	Columbia University Medical Center, New York, USA	Institute of Molecular Biology, Genetics and Biotechnology Athens, Greece	<i>In vivo</i> chromatin analysis of a developmental gene ,
	Amoutzias, Grigoris	Greek	VIB, Ghent, Belgium	University of Ghent, Belgium	Reconstruction and evolution of the plant cell-cycle network using heterogeneous data sources
	Papayannopoulos, Venizelos	Greek	Max Planck Institute for Infection Biology, Berlin, Germany	Max Planck Institute for Infection Biology, Berlin, Germany	Identification and characterization of factors regulating the formation of neutrophil extracellular traps
	Trompouki, Eirini	Greek	Children's Hospital, Boston, USA	Biomedical Sciences Research Center, Var Athens, Greece	The role of prostaglandins and Wnt signalling on hemopoietic stem cell renewal
	Typas, Athanasios	Greek	University of California, San Francisco, USA	FU Berlin, Germany	Deciphering the function and organization of the <i>E. coli</i> periplasm and outer-membrane through a quantitative genetic interaction map
	Vrontou, Eleftheria	Greek	University of Oxford, UK	IMP, Vienna, Austria	Excitatory antennal lobe circuits and odor perception in the fly
Hungary	Hillier, Daniel	Hungarian	Friedrich Miescher Institute, Basel, Switzerland	Peter Pazmany Catholic University, Budapest, Hungary	Imaging light evoked activity at different strata of the mammalian retina
	Matyas, Ferenc	Hungarian	EPFL, Lausanne, Switzerland	Institute of Experimental Medicine of the Hungarian Academy of Sciences, Budapest, Hungary	Genetic control of neural circuits and behaviour
Ireland	Gallagher, Ciara	Irish	University of California, San Francisco, USA	IMBA, Vienna, Austria	Intracellular communication deciphering a novel signalling pathway between the endoplasmic reticulum and the nucleus
Israel	Cinnamon, Einat	Israeli	MRC, London, UK	Hadassah Medical School, The Hebrew University, Jerusalem, Israel	Identifying metabolic signals from oenocytes-to-fat body in <i>Drosophila</i>
	Diskin, Ron	Israeli	California Institute of Technology, Pasadena, USA	The Hebrew University of Jerusalem, Israel	Revealing the atomic structure of HIV envelope proteins in complex with neutralizing antibodies
	Elkon, Ran	Israeli	The Netherlands Cancer Institute, Amsterdam, Netherlands	Tel Aviv University, Israel	Bioinformatic delineation of microRNA regulatory networks

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srael 'cont.)	Fainaru, Ofer	Israeli	Children's Hospital, Boston, USA	Harvard Medical School, Boston, USA	Elucidating the role of dendritic cells in angiogenesis using an endometriosis mouse model				
	Israelson, Adrian	Israeli	University of California, La Jolla, USA	Ben Gurion University, Beer Sheva, Israel	Mitochondrial dysfunction, apoptosis and calcium signalling in ALS				
	Katz, Menachem	Israeli	The Rockefeller University, New York, USA	The Rockefeller University, New York, USA	Roles of <i>C. elegans</i> glia in the control of synaptic function				
	Papo, Niv	Israeli	Stanford University, USA	The Weizmann Institute of Science, Rehovot, Israel	Dissect the roles of autophagy and the UPS in the selective degradation of protein aggregates				
	Plachta, Nicolas	Israeli	California Insitute of Technology, Pasadena, USA	California Institute of Technology, Pasadena, USA	Defining lineage relationships between pluripotent stem cells and the cells of the early mammalian embryo				
	Ruthstein, Sharon	Israeli	University of Pittsburgh, USA	The Weizmann Institute of Science, Rehovot, Israel	Measurement of the functional dynamics of the glycine receptor by EPR spectroscopy				
	Schneidman, Dina	Israeli	IBBMC, Paris, France	Tel Aviv University, Israel	Characterisation and prediction of protein flexibility with applications to docking				
	Shaul, Yoav	Israeli	Whitehead Institute for Biomedical Research, Cambridge, USA	The Weizmann Institute of Science, Rehovot, Israel	Identifying molecular targets that participate in the DNA damage response machinery				
	Volohonsky, Gloria	Israeli	IGBMC, Illkirch, France	IGBMC, Illkirch, France	Mechanisms of glial chain cell migration				
	Yizhar, Ofer	Israeli	Stanford University, USA	Tel Aviv University, Israel	A circuit-based approach to studying the neural basis of cognitive dysfunction in schizophrenia				
taly	Bianco, Ambra	Italian	MRC, Cambridge, UK	EMBL, Heidelberg, Germany	Mechanisms of asymmetric mRNA localisation in neurons				
	Ciccia, Alberto	Italian	Brigham and Womens Hospital, Boston, USA	Cancer Research UK London Research Institute, Potters Bar, UK	Identification of substrates of the BRCA1/BARD1 ubiquitin ligase				
	De Simone, Alfonso	Italian	University of Cambridge, UK	University of Padua, Italy	Mechanisms of amyloid formation under native conditions				
	Fiegna, Francesca	Italian	Institute for Structural Biology and Microbiology, Marseille, France	Max Planck Institute for Developmental Biology, Tuebingen, Germany	Molecular mechanism of bacterial gliding motility				
	Gorrini, Chiara	Italian	The Campbell Family Institute for Breast Cancer Research, Toronto, Canada	IFOM-IEO, Milan, Italy	Regulation of PTEN and DJ-1 upon cancer metabolic changes				

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Italy (cont.)	Mauceri, Daniela	Italian	University of Heidelberg, Germany	University of Heidelberg, Germany	Analysis of the role of transcription factor FOXO in activity- and transcription-depender neuronal survival						
	Mercanti, Valentina	Italian	Curie Institute, Paris, France	University of Geneva Medical Centre, Switzerland	A new assay to dissect the secretory pathway in higher eukaryotes						
	Piazzolla, Daniela	Italian	CNIO, Madrid, Spain	CNIO, Madrid, Spain	Oncogenic potential of the stemness gene Nanog in mice and cells						
	Rao, Francesco	Italian	Louis Pasteur University, Strasbourg, France	Louis Pasteur University, Strasbourg, France	Dynamics in enzyme catalysis and allosteric control						
	Scrima, Andrea	Italian	Friedrich Miescher Institute, Basel, Switzerland	Max Planck Institute of Molecular Physiology, Dortmund, Germany	Molecular basis of the defence against skin cancer: structural studies of UV-DDB complexes						
	Verga Falzacappa, Maria Vittoria	Italian	Harvard Medical School, Boston, USA	University of Heidelberg, Germany	Iron homeostasis in a 3-dimensional model of breast cancer						
	Villa, Fabrizio	Italian	European Institute of Oncology, Milan, Italy	European Institute of Oncology, Milan, Italy	Structural and functional characterisation of the chromosome passenger complex						
	Villa, Raffaella	Italian	Adolf Butenandt Institute, Munich, Germany	CRG, Barcelona, Spain	An unbiased approach to characterise dosage compensated chromatin						
The Netherlands	Engel, Maarten F.M.	Dutch	University of Leeds, UK	Utrecht University, Netherlands	Oligomer formation of human islet amyloid polypeptide (IAPP) studied at the single-molecule level						
	Geertsma, Eric	Dutch	University of Zurich, Switzerland	University of Groningen, Netherlands	Molecular basis of chloride transport						
	Huisman, Stephen	Dutch	EMBL, Heidelberg, Germany	EMBL, Heidelberg, Germany	In vitro reconstitution of the S. pombe interphase microtubule cytoskeleton						
	Luijsterburg, Martijn	Dutch	Karolinska Institute, Stockholm, Sweden	University of Amsterdam, Netherlands	Dynamic ubiquitin pools regulate mammalian gene expression						
	Schepers, Hein	Dutch	University of Oxford, UK	Lund University, Sweden	Molecular delineation of novel lineage commitment pathways in haematopoietic development						
	Smits, Wiep Klaas	Dutch	Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Cambridge, USA	Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Cambridge, USA	Hierarchy in the assembly of the <i>Bacillus subtilis</i> replisome <i>in vivo</i>						
	Tiecke, Eva	Dutch	University of Basel, Switzerland	University of Basel, Switzerland	Integration of signal–antagonist interaction analysis of the self-regulatory feedback between BMP4, its antagonist Gremlin1 and SMAD4 functions during mouse limb development						

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The Netherlands (cont.)	van Amerongen, Renee	Dutch	Stanford University, USA	Netherlands Cancer Institute, Amsterdam, Netherlands	Dissecting the mammalian non-canonical Wnt-pathway				
	van der Zee, Maurijn	Dutch	Institute of Biology Leiden, Netherlands	Institute for Genetics, Cologne, Germany	Tribolium candidate genes for insect wing development and ancestral bilaterian developmental mechanisms				
	van Zon, Jeroen	Dutch	Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Cambridge, USA	Imperial College London, UK	Molecular noise and variability in the yeast high osmolarity signalling pathway				
	Wierda, Keimpe	Dutch	Max Planck Institute for Biophysical Chemistry, Goettingen, Germany	CNCR, Amsterdam, Netherlands	Analysing heterogeneity in release of synaptic vesicles				
Norway	Granseth, Erik	Norwegian	Institute for Bioinformatics, Munich, Germany	Stockholm Bioinformatics Center, Sweden	Disassembling the sequence-structure-function relationship of membrane proteins				
Poland	Krol, Jacek	Polish	Friedrich Miescher Institute, Basel, Switzerland	Friedrich Miescher Institute, Basel, Switzerland	Analysis of miRNA function in mouse retina development				
	Kudla, Grzegorz	Polish	University of Edinburgh, UK	Harvard University, Cambridge, USA	Coding sequence determinants of gene expression				
	Paciorek, Marta	Polish	Stanford University, USA	Stanford University, USA	Identification of new signalling components of entry into stomata lineage in <i>Arabidopsis</i> <i>thaliana</i>				
Portugal	Ferreira, Helder	Portuguese	Friedrich Miescher Institute, Basel, Switzerland	Friedrich Miescher Institute, Basel, Switzerland	Regulating nuclear organisation in telomere maintenance and DNA repair: the role of SUMO modification				
	Ferreo Santos, Alexandre	Portuguese	Max Planck Institute of Neurobiology, Martinsried, Germany	Max Planck Institute of Neurobiology, Martinsried, Germany	Development of local anatomical plasticity during experience-driven visual cortex maturation				
	Fonseca, Rosalina Maria	Portuguese	Gulbenkian Institute of Science, Oeiras, Portugal	Gulbenkian Institute of Science, Oeiras, Portugal	Cellular mechanisms of heterosynaptic plasticity in the lateral nucleus of the amygdala				
	Freitas, Renata	Portuguese	CABD, Seville, Spain	CABD, Seville, Spain	The origin of evolutionary novelties: implications of HoxD gene regulation in the origin of tetrapod limbs				
	Jaco, Isabel	Portuguese	The Institute for Cancer Research, London, UK	CNIO, Madrid, Spain	Synthetic lethality approaches to BRCA-associated cancer				

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Portugal (cont.)	Jeronimo, Celia	Portuguese	CRG, Barcelona, Spain	University of Montreal, Canada	Functional characterisation of monoubiquitylated H2A interactors and their role in leukaemia				
	Martins, Rui	Portuguese	The Wellcome Trust/Cancer Research UK Gurdon Institute, Cambridge, UK	Wayne State University School of Medicine, Detroit, USA	Chromatin organisation and early cell fate decisions in the pre-implantation mouse embryo				
	Rebola, Nelson	Portuguese	CNRS, Bordeaux, France	Center for Neuroscience and Cell Biology of Coimbra, Portugal	A new form of synaptic plasticity: molecular and cellular mechanisms involved in a selective long-term potentiation of NMDA receptors				
	Santos, Claudio	Portuguese	Cancer Research UK London Research Institute, UK	Cancer Research UK London Research Institute, UK	The role of glucose metabolism and lipid biosynthesis in Akt-mediated tumourigenesis				
	Santos, Silvia	Portuguese	Stanford University, School of Medicine, USA	EMBL, Heidelberg, Germany	Investigating temporal independence of mitotic events in systems known to be bistable				
Slovenia	Erjavec, Nika	Slovenian	College of Physicians and Surgeons, Columbia University, New York, USA		Cell polarity and the inheritance of protein damage				
Spain	Bernad, Rafael	Spanish	CNIO, Madrid, Spain	CNIO, Madrid, Spain	Molecular mechanisms of chromosome segregation: regulation of CENP-A at the centromere				
	Canto, Carlos	Spanish	IGBMC, Lausanne, France	IGBMC, Illkirch, France	How does AMP-activated kinase transcriptionally regulate energy expenditure?				
	Carracedo, Arkaitz	Spanish	Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center, Boston, USA	Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center, Boston, USA	Role of the tumour suppressor PML in the activation of autophagy				
	Dominguez-Cuevas, Patricia	Spanish	Institute for Cell and Molecular Biosciences, Newcastle, UK	CSIC, Granada, Spain	Discovery and characterisation of factors coupling the cytoskeleton to cell wall biogenesis in <i>Bacillus subtilis</i>				
	F. Boj, Sylvia	Spanish	Hubrecht Laboratory, Utrecht, Netherlands	Hubrecht Institute, Utrecht, Netherlands	Analysis of the function of Tcf4 (Tcf7l2) during mouse pancreatic development and in adult pancreatic cells				
	G. Granja, Aitor	Spanish	Cancer Research UK London Research Institute, UK	Centre of Molecular Biology, Madrid, Spain	Analysis of the molecular mechanism of antigen presentation to B cells mediated by macrophages in lymphoid organs				

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Spain (cont.)	Ortega Martinez, Olga	Spanish	Kristineberg Marine Research Station, Fiskebaeckskil, Sweden	Kristineberg Marine Research Station, Fiskebaeckskil, Sweden	Role of the transforming growth factor-beta genes, afuni and BMP2/4 in the regulation of <i>Amphiura filiformis</i> adult arm regeneration
	Riol, Lorena	Spanish	Brigham and Womens Hospital, Boston, USA	Spanish National Research Council, Centre of Biological Research, Madrid, Spain	Generation and trafficking behaviour of myelin oligodendrocyte glycoprotein specific regulatory and TH17 T cells in experimental autoimmune encephalomyelitis
Sweden	Andersson, Olov	Swedish	University of California, San Francisco, USA	Karolinska Institute, Stockholm, Sweden	Examination of attraction, guidance and deployment of pancreatic endocrine cells
	Evergren, Emma	Swedish	MRC, Cambridge, UK	Karolinska Institute, Stockholm, Sweden	Molecular mechanisms of trans-endocytosis
	Fagman, Henrik	Swedish	Biogem s.c.ar.l., Ariano Irpino, Italy	Goteborg University, Sweden	Molecular regulation of thyroid development identification of candidate genes for congenital hypothyroidism with global transcriptome analysis
	Hessa, Tara	Swedish	National Institutes of Health, Bethesda, USA	Dept. of Biochemistry and Biophysics, Stockholm, Sweden	Identification of the degradation machinery of the pQC pathway
	Hoog, Johanna	Swedish	Oxford University, UK	EMBL, Heidelberg, Germany	The microtubule cytoskeleton of the African trypanosome (<i>Trypanosoma brucei</i>)
	Jakobsson, Lars	Swedish	Cancer Research UK London Research Institute, UK	Uppsala University, Sweden	Cellular competition and complementation in vascular development
	Kugelberg, Elisabeth	Swedish	Imperial College London, UK	University of California, Davis, USA	The role of human complement factor H in meningococcal infection
	Thoron, Fredrik	Swedish	Giannina Gaslini Institute, Genova, Italy	Goteborg University, Sweden	Innate immunity crosstalk in immunoregulation
	Walfridsson, Julian	Swedish	Biotech Research and Innovation Centre (BRIC), Copenhagen, Denmark	Karolinska Institute, Huddinge, Sweden	The biological function of the H3K27me3 demethylase UTX
Switzerland	Kueng, Stephanie	Swiss	Friedrich Miescher Institute, Basel, Switzerland	Friedrich Miescher Institute, Basel, Switzerland	An <i>in vitro</i> system to study the establishment of heterochromatic gene silencing during S phase
	Mosimann, Christian	Swiss	Children's Hospital Boston, USA	Institute of Molecular Biology, Zurich, Switzerland	Identification and characterisation of genetic modifiers involved in hematopoietic stem cell competition in zebrafish
	Seeger, Markus	Swiss	Department of Pharmacology, Cambridge, UK	Department of Pharmacology, Cambridge, UK	Inhibition and characterisation of multidrug ABC transporters expressed in <i>Lactococcus lactis</i> by designed ankyrin repeat proteins

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Switzerland (cont.)	Spiegel, Ivo	Swiss	Harvard Medical School, Boston, USA	The Weizmann Institute of Science, Revohot, Israel	Activity-dependent suppression of excitatory synapse number by ubiquitination
	Stirnimann, Christian Urs	Swiss	EMBL, Heidelberg, Germany	University of Zurich, Switzerland	Crystallographic and biochemical studies of the human TBX5-Nkx2-5-DNA complex
	Zuber, Benoit	Swiss	MRC, Cambridge, UK	University of Lausanne, Switzerland	Application and improvement of tomography of vitreous sections
United Kingdom	Baldwin, Andrew	British	University of Toronto, Canada	University of Cambridge, UK	Seeing the invisible: NMR studies of functional biomolecular dynamics
	Bond, Peter	British	Max Planck Institute of Biophysics, Frankfurt, Germany	Structural Bioinformatics & Computational Biochemistry Unit, Oxford, UK	Multi-scale simulation studies of conformational plasticity in modular immunological enzymes
	Croft, Martin	British	University of Geneva, Switzerland	University of Cambridge, UK	Biochemistry and molecular biology of a <i>Chlamydomonas reinhardtii</i> thiamine pyrophosphate riboswitch
	Farrow, Karl	British	Friedrich Miescher Institute, Basel, Switzerland	Harvard Medical School, Boston, USA	Dissecting the role of genetically identified strata in the inner plexiform layer of the retina
	Gill, David	British	Institute of Molecular and Cell Biology, Singapore	MRC, Cambridge, UK	Understanding the biogenesis of secretory granules: identification of key genes using a high-throughput RNAi screen
	Hammond, Christina	British	Hubrecht Laboratory, Utrecht, Netherlands	Royal Veterinary College, London, UK	Osteogenesis in development and disease
	Holland, Andrew	British	University of California, La Jolla, USA	University of Manchester, UK	Exploring and exploiting the role of aneuploidy as an inhibitor of tumourigenesis
	Parker, Joseph	British	Columbia University, New York, USA	Columbia University, New York, USA	Understanding allometry: organ intrinsic positional information and the nutrient- dependent regulation of growth
	Wright, Jane	British	Friedrich Miescher Institute, Basel, Switzerland	Friedrich Miescher Institute, Basel, Switzerland	Elucidating the mechanism of translational regulation by ATX-2: the <i>C. elegans</i> ortholog of the human ataxin-2 protein implicated in human neurodegenerative disease
	Yates, James	British	ITQB, Oeiras, Portugal	ITQB, Oeiras, Portugal	Recognition of bacterial peptidoglycan by the innate immune system
Turkey	Aksoy, Ezra	Turkish	University of London, UK	Institute of Cancer, London, UK	PI3K in immunity and cancer

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Turkey (cont.)	Demir, Ebru	Turkish	Cold Spring Harbor Laboratories, USA	Cold Spring Harbor Laboratory, USA	Electrophysiological investigations of asscociative olfactory learning in <i>Drosophila</i>
other nationalities	Fish, Jennifer	American	King's College London, UK	Max Planck Institute of Molecular Cell Biology and Genetics, Dresden, Germany	Modularity in craniofacial development and evolution
	King, Carolyn	American	University Hospital Basel, Switzerland	Abramson Family Cancer Research Institute, Philadelphia, USA	Defining the affinity requirements for CD4+CD25+ regulatory T cell development
	McDonel, Patrick	American	University of Edinburgh, UK	University of California, Berkeley, USA	Understanding the roles of mSin3 HDAC co-repressor complexes in ES cells and early mammalian development
	Mercer, Jason	American	Swiss Federal Institute of Technology Zurich, Switzerland	ETH, Zurich, Switzerland	Investigations into the cellular mechanisms of vaccinia virus entry
	Merrin, Jack	American	CNRS, Saint Martin d'Heres, France	Rockefeller University, New York, USA	Robustness of a microscale reconstituted circadian network to the relative and overall number of components
	Sherer, Nathan	American	King's College London, UK	King's College London School of Medicine, UK	Mechanism of HIV-1 genome trafficking to assembly sites
	Cook, Peter	Australian	Oxford University, UK	The University of Queensland, Brisbane, Australia	RNAi knockdown of sex determining genes in <i>Culex quinquefasciatus</i>
	Dakic, Aleksandar	Australian	IMP, Vienna, Austria	The Walter and Eliza Hall Institute of Medical Research, Parkville, Australia	The role of Ikaros in establishing regulatory networks for lymphocyte development
	Ellisdon, Andrew	Australian	MRC, Cambridge, UK	Monash University, Clayton, Australia	Structural and biophysical mechanism of microRNA nuclear export
	Quinlan, Kate	Australian	Cambridge Institute for Medical Research, Cambridge, UK	The Children's Hospital at Westmead, Sydney, Australia	Mechanisms of growth factor signalling in pluripotency and differentiation of human embryonic stem cells
	Smith, Lisa	Australian	Max Planck Institute for Developmental Biology, Tuebingen, Germany	Max Planck Institute for Developmental Biology, Tuebingen, Germany	Analysis of <i>Arabidopsis</i> hybrid incompatibilities
	Steel, Bradley	Australian	University of Oxford, UK	The University of Sydney, Australia	Single molecule studies on yeast wildtype and mutant F1

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nationalities	Roumenina, Lubka	Bulgarian	Cordeliers Biomedical Research Center, Paris, France	University of Sofia, Bulgaria	The functional significance of factor H mutations in patients with atypical haemolytic uraemic syndrome							
other nationalities (cont.)	Ho, Andrew Tri Van	Canadian	INSERM, Paris, France	INSERM, Paris, France	Functional interactions between neural crest and myogenic progenitor cells							
	Palma, Kristoffer	Canadian	University of Copenhagen, Copenhagen, Denmark	University of British Columbia, Vancouver, Canada	Autophagic cell death conserved across eukaryotic kingdoms and its role in cancer							
	Pedrioli, Deena Leslie	Canadian	ETH, Zurich, Switzerland	ETH, Zurich, Switzerland	Defining functional roles for miRNAs in the lymphatic vascular system							
	Suits, Michael	Canadian	Structural Biology Laboratory, York, UK	Queen's University, Kingston, Canada	Structural enzymology of carbohydrate-active enzymes in pathogenesis and disease							
	Zhang, Yanping	Chinese	University College London, UK	Friedrich Miescher Institute, Basel, Switzerland	Defining the role of specific interneurons in network function using optical activation							
	Mora-Bermudez, Felipe	Costa Rican	Max Planck Institute of Molecular Cell Biology and Genetics, Dresden, Germany	EMBL, Heidelberg, Germany	The role of the distribution of polarised components during cytokinesis in the generation of neurons during mammalian neurogenesis							
	Bhaskara, Venugopal	Indian	IMP, Vienna, Austria	University of Texas, Austin, USA	Identification of the role for Wapl and Pds5 proteins in cohesin-DNA interactions							
	Bhushan, Shashi	Indian	University of Munich, Germany	Stockholm University, Sweden	Molecular investigations of the role of chaperones in co-translational protein folding in eukaryotes							
	Chatterjee, Saibal	Indian	Friedrich Miescher Institute, Basel, Switzerland	Friedrich Miescher Institute, Basel, Switzerland	Elucidation of a microRNA turnover machinery in <i>C. elegans</i>							
	Dhonukshe, Pankaj	Indian	Utrecht University, Netherlands	Center for Plant Molecular Biology (ZMBP), Tuebingen, Germany	Cell Polarity in plants: resolving important links between vesicle trafficking and cell fate-determining transcription factors							
	Pobbati, Ajaybabu	Indian	MRC, Cambridge, UK	MRC, Cambridge, UK	Membrane dynamics mediated by ESCRT complexes							
	Fujii (Nishiyama), Tomoko	Japanese	IMP, Vienna, Austria	Tokyo Institute of Technology, Yokohama, Japan	Analysis of the roles of Sororin, Esco2, and San in the establishment of sister chromatid cohesion in vertebrates							
	Kitagawa, Daiju	Japanese	ISREC, Epalinges, Switzerland	ISREC, Epalinges, Switzerland	SAS-6 and the mechanisms of centrosome duplication: from <i>C. elegans</i> embryos to human cells							
	Kodama, Eiji	Japanese	MRC, Cambridge, UK	Nagoya University, Japan	How distributed neural circuits integrate information							

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other nationalities (cont.)	Tanizawa, Yoshinori	Japanese	MRC, Cambridge, UK	MRC, Cambridge, UK	Dissecting dynamic monoaminergic nervous system in <i>C. elegans</i> with genetically-encoded neuron activator channel-rhodopsin-2
	Rakotondrafara, Aurelie	Malagasy	EMBL, Heidelberg, Germany	Iowa State University, Ames, USA	Mechanism of c-myc mRNA translation involving functional IRES/poly(A) tail interactions
	Cisneros Armas, David	Mexican	Pasteur Institute, Paris, France	University of Dresden, Germany	Structure and assembly mechanism of the pseudopilus of gram negative bacteria type II secretion system
	Kalinina, Olga	Russian	EMBL, Heidelberg, Germany	Moscow State University, Russian Federation	Predicting and designing protein–ligand interfaces
	Moukhametzianov, Rouslan	Russian	MRC, Cambridge, UK	MRC, Cambridge, UK	Microcrystallography of stabilised adrenergic receptors
	Kim, Young-Joon	South Korean	IMP, Vienna, Austria	University of California, Riverside, USA	Peptidergic signalling in <i>Drosophila</i> courtship behavior

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country from	applications	% of total	awards	% of total	success rate %
Austria	107	1.32	32	2.22	30
Belgium	139	1.71	26	1.81	19
Croatia	39	0.48	11	0.76	28
Czech Republic	78	0.96	14	0.97	18
Denmark	72	0.89	17	1.18	24
Estonia*	1	0.01	0	0.00	0
Finland	98	1.21	16	1.11	16
France	1640	20.21	283	19.67	17
Germany	908	11.19	224	15.57	25
Greece	175	2.16	41	2.85	23
Hungary	106	1.31	20	1.39	19
Iceland	14	0.17	2	0.14	14
Ireland	79	0.97	11	0.76	14
Israel	395	4.87	73	5.07	19
Italy	519	6.40	77	5.35	15
Luxembourg**	0	0.00	0	0.00	0
The Netherlands	285	3.51	72	5.00	25
Norway	15	0.18	2	0.14	13
Poland	117	1.44	15	1.04	13
Portugal	136	1.68	38	2.64	28
Slovak Republic**	0	0.00	0	0.00	0
Slovenia	18	0.22	1	0.07	6
Spain	955	11.77	121	8.41	13
Sweden	355	4.37	48	3.34	14
Switzerland	134	1.65	41	2.85	31
Turkey	54	0.67	5	0.35	9
United Kingdom	420	5.18	54	3.75	13
Eastern Europe	194	2.39	18	1.25	9
USA/Canada	334	4.12	68	4.73	20
Others	728	8.97	109	7.57	15
Total	8115	100	1439	100	18

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** Luxembourg and the Slovak Republic joined the EMBC in 2007

applications and awards 1977-2007

year	applications	awards	success rate %					
2007	1288	212	16					
2006	1232	222	18					
2005	1236	198	16					
2004	1137	163	14					
2003	1080	164	15					
2002	790	178	22					
2001	645	147	23					
2000	707	155	22					
1999	830	170	20					
1998	790	144	18					
1997	831	185	22					
1996	898	160	18					
1995	877	147	17					
1994	806	176	22					
1993	739	199	27					
1992	626	142	23					
1991	571	139	24					
1990	526	123	23					
1989	460	118	26					
1988	455	141	31					
1987	383	120	31					
1986	333	90	27					
1985	340	92	27					
1984	305	112	37					
1983	294	103	35					
1982	276	91	33					
1981	274	111	41					
1980	242	108	45					
1979	254	101	40					
1978	235	101	43					
1977	236	94	40					

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Austria			1					1	6		1								1				1							10	21
Belgium		1						6	1	2					1		1						3	2					3	3	23
Croatia			1																												1
Czech Republic					1																									1	2
Denmark		1			1		2	2															2	4				1	2	1	16
Estonia*																															0
Finland								2	2																					1	5
France	1	2	1					12	13		3			4	5				1	3			13	1	2		2	6	12	20	101
Germany	3	5	2	2			1	9	11	4	3		1	3	5		5	1	2	2			8	3		1	5	2	6	19	103
Greece										5													1				1			1	8
Hungary															1																1
Iceland																															0
Ireland		1							4															1						1	7
Israel	1	1							2					1					2										2	1	10
Italy								3		1					5				2				7	3						11	32
Luxembourg**																															0
Netherlands							3	4	2	1	1		1	1	1		2						4			1	6		1	8	36
Norway						1		3			1								1					1							7
Poland																			2												2
Portugal								2							1					4			1				4		1		13
Slovak Republic**																															0
Slovenia			1																												1
Spain	1	1						12	3	3			1	1	10		2			2			6				1	2	3	14	62
Sweden	1			1	1		1	8	7	1			1		2		1						13				4	4	3	6	54
Switzerland	2	1		2				15	9		2				5		4		5	2			2		3		5	1	10	13	81
Turkey																															0
UK	3	7	1	2	1		1	35	32	1	3			8	11		11	1	6	12			54	10	6	3	3	4	10	38	263
EMBL								4	3		1						1						3		1	1	1	1		4	20
Eastern Europe																															0
USA/Canada	6	5	2	1	1		2	95	52	8	4		4	56	30		13		7	3		2	38	24	8	4	23	1	1	2	392
Others	1						1	7	4		1						2			1			2	1			6		1		27
Total	19	25	9	8	5	1	11	220	151	26	20	0	8	74	77	0	42	2	29	29	0	2	158	50	20	10	61	22	55	154	1288

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Austria			1						2																					4	7
Belgium									1	1																					2
Croatia																															0
Czech Republic					1																										1
Denmark																								1					1		2
Estonia*																															0
Finland									1																						1
France	1							1	3					2	3					1			1					1	2	1	16
Germany	1	1		1				1	4	1					2		1	1		1							1			3	18
Greece																															0
Hungary																															0
Iceland																															0
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Luxembourg**																															0
Netherlands							1							1			1						1				1			1	6
Norway																															0
Poland																															0
Portugal																			1								1				2
Slovak Republic**																															0
Slovenia																															0
Spain	1							1	2						1					2			1								8
Sweden								1	1								1						1								4
Switzerland	2							2	2		2				1		2		1	1					1		3		3	2	22
Turkey																															0
UK	1	2					1	7	12	1				1	2		2		1	3			2	4	2	1		1	4	8	55
EMBL									2								1								1			1		1	6
Eastern Europe																															0
USA/Canada	1		1					11	11	3			1	9	3		3		1	1		1	2	2	2	1	3				56
Others									1																		1				2
Total	7	3	2	1	1	0	2	25	42	6	2	0	1	13	13	0	11	1	4	9	0	1	8	9	6	2	10	3	10	20	212

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Austria	Wendler, Franz	Austrian	University Medical Center Utrecht (UMCU), The Netherlands	National Institute of Medical Research, London, UK	Subcellular localisation studies of Wingless using electronmicroscopy
Belgium	Lesage, Bart	Belgian	Biomedicine Institute Valencia (CSIC), Spain	Catholic University of Leuven, Belgium	Deciphering the physiological role of the most ancient protein phosphatase-1 holoenzyme
	Pertry, Ine	Belgian	Palacky University, Olomouc, Czech Republic	University of Ghent, Belgium	How <i>Rhodococcus fascians</i> reshapes the plant: identification of fas molecules
Croatia	Benjak, Andrej	Croatian	IBMB-CSIC, Barcelona, Spain	University of Natural Resources and Applied Life Sciences, Vienna, Austria	Analysis of DNA transposons and MITEs in grapevine (<i>Vitis vinifera</i>)
	Terzic, Janos	Croatian	University of California, San Diego, USA	University of Split, Croatia	Role of interleukin-6 in inflammation associated colon cancerogenesis
Czech Republic	Jesenska, Andrea	Czech	Emory University, Atlanta, USA	Masaryk University, Brno – Bohunice, Czech Republic	Improvement the catalytic properties of haloalkane dehalogenases by homology- independent techniques of directed evolution
	Snyrychová, Iva	Czech	Institute of Plant Biology, Szeged, Hungary	Palacky University, Olomouc, Czech Republic	Comparison of methods used for hydrogen peroxide detection in photosynthetic tissues
	Solc, Petr	Czech	EMBL, Heidelberg, Germany	Institute of Animal Physiology and Genetics, Libechov, Czech Republic	CDC25A and CDC25B dynamics during meiotic maturation in mouse oocytes
Denmark	Albrektsen, Anita	Danish	University of Dundee, UK	Aarhus University, Denmark	Detailed morphology studies and antibody staining of ineffective root nodules
Estonia	Tark, Mariliis	Estonian	Leiden Institute of Chemistry, The Netherlands	University of Tartu, Estonia	In vitro characterisation of nucleotide excision repair in <i>Pseudomonas putida</i>
Finland	Pulkki, Minna	Finnish	Leiden University Medical Center, The Netherlands	University of Helsinki, Finland	Identification of the receptors of human oocyte growth factors
France	Bourlat, Sarah	French	Kristineberg Marine Research Station, Fiskebäckskil, Sweden	University College London, UK	Embryology of the marine worm Xenoturbella bocki

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France (cont.)	Brison, Yoann	French	Laboratory of Biophysical Chemistry, Groningen, The Netherlands	National Institute of Applied Sciences, Toulouse, France	Crystallography of GBD-CD2, an unique alpha-1,2 branching enzyme
	Chambon, Jean-Philippe	French	University College London, UK	CNRS/UPMC UMR7009, Villefranche-sur-Mer, France	Shugoshin and Capfera function in mouse oocyte
	Lacroix, Benjamin	French	EMBL, Heidelberg, Germany	CNRS-CRBM, Montpellier, France	The influcence of microtubule polyglutamylation on interactions with molecular motors
	Lassaux, Patricia	French	IBS/LCCP, Grenoble, France	University of Liege, Belgium	Selection and characterisation of new inhibitors of the metallo-beta-lactamase family
	Marandel, Grégoire	French	Clemson University, USA	INRA Bordeaux, Villenave d'Ornon, France	Building the genetic map of the F1 apricot progeny 'Harlayne' × 'Marlen' for resistance to sharka disease
	Michard, Erwan	French	University of Salzburg, Austria	I.G.C., Oeiras, Portugal	Physiological role of glutamate-receptors on the plasma membrane of the growing pollen tube: electrophysiological analysis by patch-clamp
	Mongin, Emmanuel	French	EMBL, Heidelberg, Germany	MCB (McGill Center for Bioinformatics), Montreal, Canada	Prediction and experimental validation of teleost specific regulatory modules
	Palancade, Benoît	French	University of Seville, Spain	Curie Institute, CNRS/ UMR144, Paris, France	The interaction between the nuclear pore protein Pml39 and the chromatin remodeller FACT: implication for transcription elongation and mRNA export control
	Rhinn, Muriel	French	University of Cambridge, UK	IGBMC, Illkirch, France	Somatotopic organisation of the trigeminal system: conservation and diversity from mouse to chicken
	Zanet, Jennifer	French	University of Bristol, UK	Center of Biological Development, Toulouse, France	Role and regulation of fascin in cell migration <i>in vivo</i>
Germany	Aydin, Dorothee	German	University of Toronto, Canada	University of Heidelberg, Germany	Extracellular interaction partners of APP family proteins
	Blume, Martin	German	CMU/ Dpt MIMO, Geneva, Switzerland	Humboldt University Berlin, Germany	Functional and physiological assessment of sugar transporters in transgenic <i>Toxoplasma gondii</i>
	Busch, Andreas	German	Jean-Pierre Ebel Structural Biology Institute, Grenoble, France	Estación Experimental del Zaidín, Granada, Spain	Chrystallisation of the sensor kinase TodS in presence of agonists and antagonists

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Germany 'cont.)	Hilbert, Manuel	German	University of Leeds, UK	Biozentrum, University of Basel, Switzerland	Evolving aptamers for recognition of a pair of FRET dyes with SELEX
	Huehn, Daniela	German	University of Oxford, UK	University of Zurich, Switzerland	Analysing the role of human RECQ5 helicase in cellular response to replication stress
	Kirchmaier, Bettina Carmen	German	University of Innsbruck, Austria	University of Würzburg, Germany	Myocardial function in zebrafish popdc2 morphants
	Kirstein, Janine	German	The Medical School University of Newcastle, UK	Free University of Berlin, Germany	Cell biological analysis of ClpC and identification of novel adaptor proteins
	Loevenich, Sandra	German	Harvard University, Cambridge, USA	ETH Zürich, Switzerland	Improving the <i>Drosophila melanogaster</i> genome annotation through the integration of peptide structures with the genome
	Loose, Martin	German	EMBL, Heidelberg, Germany	Dresden University of Technology, Germany	Microfluidic approach to study the self- organisation of microtubules and motors in three dimensions
	Mueller, Jonathan Wolf	German	National Institute for Medical Research, London, UK	University of Duisburg-Essen, Germany	The quaternary structure of human PAPS synthetases during catalysis
	Nicolaisen, Kerstin	German	CSIC – University of Seville, Spain	LMU Munich, Germany	Polypeptide transporting beta-barrel proteins
	Pechstein, Arndt	German	Karolinska Institute, Stockholm, Sweden	Free University Berlin, Germany	Role of intersectin and synapsin in endocytosis and synaptic vesicle recycling
	Rebacz, Blanka	German	BioCentrum, DTU, Copenhagen, Denmark	German Cancer Research Center (DKFZ), Heidelberg, Germany	Synthesis and analysis of griseofulvin analogues with enhanced anti-tumour activity
	Schäfer, Gritt	German	Stowers Institute for Medical Research, Kansas City, USA	Developmental Biology, Marburg, Germany	Signal transductional pathways activating the WASP/WIP complex in fusion competent myoblasts during <i>Drosophila</i> myoblast fusion
	Schoener, Daniel	German	Samuel Lunenfeld Research Institute, Toronto, Canada	ETH Zürich, Switzerland	Data integration models for the analysis of yeast synthetic lethality data
	Stecher, Barbara	German	McMaster University Medical Centre, Hamilton, Canada	ETH Hönggerberg, Zürich, Switzerland	Influence of <i>Salmonella</i> sv. Typhimurium colities on the composition of the intestinal microflora in ASF-associated mice
	Stelter, Meike	German	University of Leeds, UK	Insitute of Chemistry and Biological Technology, Oeiras, Portugal	Heterologous overexpression of membrane transport proteins from archaea

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Germany (cont.)	Weyland, Simone	German	University of Canterbury, Christchurch, New Zealand	DESY–EMBL Hamburg, Germany	Analysis of protein complex formation between DapA and DapB, two proteins of the lysine biosynthetic pathway of <i>Mycobacterium tubercolosis</i>
	Zeller, Sabine	German	Karolinska Institute, Stockholm, Sweden	Swiss Institute of Allergy and Asthma Research (SIAF), Davos, Switzerland	Expression of self-antigens in lesional skin areas of patients with atopic eczema
Greece	Farmaki, Theodora	Greek	EMBL, Heidelberg, Germany	Institute of Agrobiotechonolgy, Thessaloniki, Greece	Structural and functional characterisation of the transporting intermedias of a novel PI3P-5P2 binding protein from <i>Arabidopsis</i> <i>thaliana</i>
	Gkouskou, Kalliopi	Greek	Centro de Investigación Príncipe Felipe, Valencia, Spain	HELLAS-Institute of Molecular Biology & Biotechnology, Heraklion, Greece	Metal regulated dynamic multi-protein transcriptional complexes with novel cross-talking co-regulators
	Karamitros, Dimitrios	Greek	National Institute for Medical Research, London, UK	University of Patras, Greece	Investigating the effects of the conditional inactivation of Geminin on lymphoid blood cells
	Kosta, Artemis	Greek	Electronic Microscopy Utrecht (EMU), The Netherlands	Scientific and Technology Park Luminy, Marseille, France	Role of mitochondria in the programmed cell death of <i>Dyctyostelium discoideum</i>
	Panoutsopoulos , Alexis	Greek	Imperial College London, UK	B.S.R.C. "Alexander Fleming," Athens, Greece	Derivation of ES cell lines from mice harbouring mutations in Arkadia in order to generate chimeras
	Varotsis, Constantinos	Greek	University of Cyprus, Nicosia, Cyprus	University of Crete, Heraklion, Greece	Time-resolved UV-RAMAN of nitric oxide reductase from <i>Paracoccus denitrificans</i>
	Vidaki, Marina	Greek	University College London, UK	Institute of Molecular Biology & Biotechnology, Heraklion, Greece	Role of the corticofugal axons in neuronal migration during the development of forebrain in mice
	Zerefos, Panagiotis	Greek	University of Helsinki, Finland	Academy of Athens, Greece	Urine protein profiling by the use of an integrated microchip electrophoretic device for the detection of low abundance bladder cancer biomarkers
Hungary	Barta, Csaba	Hungarian	King's College London, UK	Molecular Biology and Pathobiochemistry, Semmelweis University, Budapest, Hungary	Structural genetic variation in substance dependence
	Czondor, Katalin	Hungarian	University of Stuttgart, Germany	Eötvös Lorand University, Budapest, Hungary	Investigations on the role of protein kinase D (PKD) in vesicle transport and spine motility ir hippocampal neurons

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Hungary (cont.)	Muha, Villo	Hungarian	University of Dundee, UK	Institute of Enzymology, Budapest, Hungary	Posttranscriptional regulation of UDE and dUTPase in <i>Drosophila</i>
	Nemoda, Zsofia	Hungarian	MRC Laboratory of Molecular Biology, Cambridge, UK	Semmelweis University, Budapest, Hungary	A potential role for GluR2 RNA-editing in homeostatic synaptic plasticity
	Válóczi , Anna Róza	Hungarian	University of Freiburg, Germany	Agricultural Biotechnology Center, Gödöllö, Hungary	Adaptation of Arabidopsis thaliana in situ hybridization technology for miRNA detectior using LNA modified oligonucleotide probes
Ireland	Golden, Aaron	Irish	EMBL, Hinxton, UK	National University of Ireland, Galway, Ireland	Novel CpG island annotation using hidden Markov models
	O'Connor, Darran	Irish	The Netherlands Cancer Institute, Amsterdam, The Netherlands	University College Dublin, Ireland	Functional genomic interrogation of anti-oestrogen resistance in breast cancer
	Ryan, Robert	Irish	University of Sao Paulo, Brazil	University College Cork, Ireland	Protein–protein interactions of RpfG, a key regulator of virulence in the phytopathogen Xanthomonas campestris
Israel	Avinoam, Ori	Israeli	Max Planck Institute for Developmental Biology, Tübingen, Germany	Technion-Israel Institute of Technology, Haifa, Israel	Generating deletions of eff-1 and aff-1 homologues in <i>Pristionchus pacificus</i>
	Butin-Israeli, Veronika	Israeli	Northwestern University, Feinberg School of Medicine, Chicago, USA	Hebrew University, Jerusalem, Israel	Modulation of Lamin A/C protein during SV40 early infection
	Kahana, Smadar	Israeli	University of Toronto, Canada	Technion-Israel Institute of Technology, Haifa, Israel	A high-throughput systematic identification of genes affecting the transcription of IME1 – the master regulator of meiosis in the budding yeast
	Lamm, Noa	Israeli	Rockefeller University, New York, USA	The Hebrew University, Jerusalem, Israel	Characterisation of human cells expressing a novel POT1 variant
	Lieber, Arnon	Israeli	The Max Planck Institute of Biochemistry, Martinsried, Germany	The Ben-Gurion University, Beer-Sheva, Israel	Revealing the internal membrane organization of <i>Gemmata obcuriglobus</i> by cryo-electron tomography of vitrified sections
	Shalgi, Reut	Israeli	EMBL, Heidelberg, Germany	The Weizmann Institute of Science, Rehovot, Israel	The regulation of silencing by miRNAs – global identification of silenced targets in human cells
	Shalom-Feuerstein, Ruby	Israeli	University of Nice-Sophia Antipolis, Nice, France	Tel Aviv University, Israel	Study of the expression profiling and potential roles of galectin-3 and Ras proteins during <i>in vitro</i> skin embryogenesis

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cont.)	Sorek, Nadav	Israeli	University of Tübingen, Germany	Tel Aviv University, Israel	Determination of subcellular localisation of ROP/RAC GTPases in <i>Arabidopsis</i> using immunostaining
taly	Alfano, Daniela	Italian	King's College London, UK	IGB, National Research Council – CNR, Naples, Italy	Identification of Rho GTPases as mediators of urokinase receptor (uPAR)-dependent migration and invasion
	Alverdi, Vera	Italian	University of Utrecht , The Netherlands	University of Udine, Italy	Probing the mechanism of aggregation of beta2-microglobulin
	Benfenati, Valentina	Italian	The Centre for Molecular Biology and Neuroscience, Oslo, Norway	University of Bologna, Italy	Identification of the brain osmosensor complex: molecular mechanisms regulating cell volume in astroglial cells
	Bersani, Francesca	Italian	Howard Hughes Medical Institute, New York, USA	University of Turin, Italy	Identification of a possible Met-dependent microRNAs signature
	Bisaglia, Marco	Italian	National Institute of Health, Bethesda, USA	University of Padova, Italy	Molecular etiopathogenesis of Parkinson's disease: alpha-synuclein, dopamine metabolism and oxidative stress
	Bottazzi, Barbara	Italian	Institute of Infections Disease and Molecular Medicine, Cape Town, South Africa	Humanitas Clinical Institute, Rozzano, Italy	Identification of a cellular receptor for the long pentraxin PTX3
	Brunello, Elisabetta	Italian	King's College London, UK	University of Florence, Italy	Structural dynamics of force development in muscle
	Campa, Manuela	Italian	Max Planck Institute for Plant Breeding Research, Cologne, Germany	Università degli Studi dell' Insubria, Varese, Italy	Overexpression of KIBP genes in barley
	Castino, Roberta	Italian	Henry Wellcome Lab for Integrative Neuroscience and Endocrinology, Bristol, UK	University A. Avogadro, Novara, Italy	The role of autophagy in neuronal cell death
	Cenci, Giovanni	Italian	Cornell University, Ithaca, USA	University of Salento, Lecce, Italy	Analysis of molecular mechanisms underlying the activation of the spindle checkpoint by uncapped telomeres in <i>Drosophila</i>
	Di Niro, Roberto	Italian	Los Alamos National Laboratory, USA	University of Trieste, Italy	Gene annotation by high throughput identification of binding domains
	Esposito, Ramona	Italian	University of Cologne, Germany	University of Naples "Federico II", Italy	Role of foxe1 in zebrafish thyroid morphogenesis

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t aly cont.)	Ferrari, Simone	Italian	Max Planck Insitute for Plant Breeding Research, Cologne, Germany	University of Padova, Legnaro, Italy	Analysis of secondary metabolites induced by oligogalacturonide elicitors in <i>Arabidopsis thaliana</i> plants
	Fornasiero, Eugenio	Italian	University of Leuven Medical School, Belgium	DIBIT-San Raffaele Vita-Salute University, Milan, Italy	Role of directional endocytosis in axonal specification and neuronal polarisation
	Giannattasio, Michele	Italian	Institute of Human Genetics (IGH), Montpellier, France	University of Milan, Italy	DNA damage response after UV irradiation requires Exo1 dependent resection to generate ssDNA regions in damaged yeast chromosomes
	Giordano, Francesca	Italian	Curie Institute, Paris, France	TIGEM (Telethon Institute of Genetics and Medicine), Naples, Italy	Ocular albinism Type 1 (Oa1) gene function in malanosome biogenesis
	Guardiola, Ombretta	Italian	Center for Transgene Technology and Gene Therapy (CTG), Leuven, Belgium	Institute of Genetic and Biophysic "Adriano Buzzati-Traverso" CNR, Naples, Italy	Unraveling the role of EGF-CFC Cripto in muscle regeneration
	Lionetti, Vincenzo	Italian	French National Institute for Agricultural Research, Versailles, France	University of Rome "La Sapienza", Italy	Cell wall analysis of <i>Arabidopsis thaliana</i> plants overexpressing pectin methylesterase inhibitors by FTIR microspectroscopy
	Mazzucotelli, Elisabetta	Italian	Institute of Plant Genetics and Crop Plant Research (IPK), Gatersleben, Germany	CRA–Centre for Genomic Research, Fiorenzuola d'Arda (PC), Italy	Proteomic analysis of SUMOylation during plant response to abiotic stresses
	Migliaccio, Enrica	Italian	Cancer Research UK, Glasgow, UK	European Institute of Oncology, Milan, Italy	Role of p53/p66Shc pathway in regulation of ROS metabolism, apoptosis and ageing
	Olivieri, Anna	Italian	University of Tartu and Estonian Biocentre, Estonia	University of Pavia, Italy	Sequence variation in pigmentation genes and the origin of modern human populations
	Pantaleo, Vitantonio	Italian	Agricultural Biotechnology Center Szent-Gyorgyi, Godollo, Hungary	CNR – Plant Virology Institute, Bari, Italy	The mechanism of virus induced RNA silencing and its role in the control of virus specific subviral RNAs accumulation
	Piccin, Daniela	Italian	National Research Center for Environment and Health (GSF), Neuherberg, Germany	University of Ferrara, Italy	Establishing primary cells for therapy response studies of neuroendocrine tumours
	Pittoni, Paola	Italian	Brigham and Women's Hospital, Boston, USA	DIBIT, H. San Raffaele Scientific Institute, Milan, Italy	Definition of the molecular mechanisms underlying the control of iNKT cell responsiveness by gene expression microarray analysis

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Italy (cont.)	Prischi, Filippo	Italian	MRC – The National Institute for Medical Research, London, UK	University of Siena, Italy	Structural studies of protein interaction and aggregation related to neurodegenerative diseases
	Proietti de Santis, Luca	Italian	Institute of Genetics and Molecular and Cell Biology (IGBMC), Illkirch, France	University of Tuscia, Viterbo, Italy	Identification of CSB complexes using tandem affinity purification technology
	Reisoli, Elisa	Italian	Faculty of Biology , Barcelona, Spain	University of Pisa, Italy	Identification and functional study of serotonin receptors 5-HT2B and 5-HT2C homo- and/or heteromers
	Riccio, Andrea	Italian	University of Cambridge, UK	Second University of Naples, Caserta, Italy	Role of imprinted genes in early-onset obesity
	Robotti, Andrea Mario	Italian	Campus Gasthuisberg, Leuven, Belgium	University of Turin, Italy	Development of lentiviral vectors for PMGS expression in neurons
	Rudini, Noemi	Italian	Leiden University Medical Center, The Netherlands	FIRC Institute of Molecular Oncology, Milan, Italy	Molecular mechanisms of VE-cadherin- dependent enhancement of TGF-beta pathway in endothelial cells
	Sala Frigerio, Carlo	Italian	Brigham and Women's Hospital and Harvard Medical School, Boston, USA	University College Dublin, Ireland	APLP1 and APLP2 are better substrates for gamma-secretase than APP
	Sguanci, Luca	Italian	University of Cambridge, UK	CSDC, Florence, Italy	From theoretical to quantitative modelling of the R5 to X4 switching in HIV infection
	Tinnirello, Agata	Italian	Cold Spring Harbor Laboratory, USA	Univerity of Torino, Italy	Three-dimensional culture of human breast MCF-10A cells to investigate molecular mechanisms downstream HER2/Neu-activation
	Zanotti, Lucia	Italian	University of Rochester School of Medicine and Dentistry, USA	DiBit, San Raffaele Hospital, Milan, Italy	Trasplantation of multipotential adult oligodendrocyte progenitor cells in a mouse model for multiple sclerosis
The Netherlands	Fransen, Floris	Dutch	University of Dundee, UK	Netherlands Vaccine Institute, Bilthoven, Netherlands	Influence of the acylation pattern of <i>Neisseria meningitidis</i> lipopolysaccharide on dendritic cell responses
	Michielse, Caroline	Dutch	University of Münster, Germany	University of Amsterdam, Netherlands	Comparative analysis of pathogenicity genes in the plant pathogenic fungi <i>Botrytis cinerea</i> and <i>Fusarium oxysporum</i>

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The Netherlands (cont.)	Scheffers, Dirk-Jan	Dutch	Stockholm University, Sweden	Free University of Amsterdam, Netherlands	Membrane proteomics of the <i>Escherichia coli</i> divisome
	Schoenmakers, Sam	Dutch	University of Cambridge, UK	Erasmus MC University Medical Center, Rotterdam, The Netherlands	Epigenetic differentiation of blastomeres in the early mouse embryo
	Splinter, Daniël	Dutch	University of Missouri-Kansas City, USA	Erasmus MC University Medical Center, Rotterdam, Netherlands	<i>In vitro</i> reconstitution of microtubule-based motility of a triple dynein–dynactin–bicaudal D2 complex
	van Mölken, Tamara	Dutch	The Sainsbury Laboratory, John Innes Centre, Norwich, UK	Radboud University, Nijmegen, Netherlands	Influence of abiotic stressors on RNA silencing pathways
	Veenendaal, Andreas	Dutch	Osaka University, Japan	University of Oxford, UK	Identifiying the conserved target of small molecule inhibitors of T3SS
Poland	Czerski, Piotr	Polish	University of Bonn, Germany	Poznan University of Medical Sciences, Poland	A systematic haplotype-based association study of cadherin FAT gene in bipolar affective disorder and schizophrenia
	Kaminska, Katarzyna	Polish	Graduate School of Frontier Science & Institute of Medical Science, Tokyo, Japan	International Insitute of Molecular and Cell Biology, Warsaw, Poland	Search for DNA endonucleases with novel structure and function
	Kolodziej, Katarzyna	Polish	University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, USA	Erasmus MC University Medical Center, Rotterdam, The Netherlands	Characterisation of the orphan nuclear receptor TR2/TR4 complexes in erythroid cells
	Prokopowicz, Zofia	Polish	Technical University of Munich, Garching, Germany	University College London, UK	Altered immune responses to oxidized antigens: analysis of hypochlorous acid induced protein modifications
	Rolle, Katarzyna	Polish	Max Planck Institute for Infection Biology, Berlin, Germany	Polish Academy of Sciences, Poznan, Poland	The study of the interactions of sRNA with the target mRNA in <i>Salmonella</i>
	Szalewska-Palasz, Agnieszka	Polish	Department of Molecular Biology, Umeå, Sweden	University of Gdansk, Poland	Detecting ppGpp-regulated RNA polymerase holoenzyme pools
	Zawacka-Pankau, Polish		Karolinska Institute, Stockholm, Sweden	Intercollegiate Faculty of Biotechnology, Gdansk, Poland	Molecular mechanism of action of p53-reactivating molecule RITA
	Ziemlinska, Ewelina	Polish	University Hospital Göttingen, Germany	Nencki Institute of Experimental Biology, Warsaw, Poland	Production of a recombinant AAV-5 vector for a BDNF expression in lesioned spinal core

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Portugal	Brito, Rui	Portuguese	Leibniz Institute for Molecular Pharmacology (FMP), Berlin, Germany	University of Coimbra, Portugal	Insights on the molecular structure of transthyretin amyloid by solid-state NMR
	Correia, Silvia	Portuguese	University of London, UK	Instituto Gulbenkian de Ciencia, Oeiras, Portugal	Mechanism of two novel, non-homologous genes of african swine fever virus that inhibits the induction of interferon responses
	Fernandez, Adelaide	Portuguese	University of Minnesota, USA	University of Lisbon, Portugal	Neurodevelopmental disabilities by bilirubin: evalaution of growth cone dynamic alterations
Slovak Republic	Majerník, Alan	Slovakian	University of York, UK	Slovak Academy of Sciences, Ivanka pri Dunaji, Slovakia	The control mechanism of the initiation of DNA replication in methanoarchaeon <i>Methanothermobacter thermautotrophicus</i> – analysis of potential roles of origin recognition box
	Simkovic, Martin	Slovakian	University of Edinburgh, UK	Slovak University of Technology, Bratislava, Slovakia	Mechanism(s) involved in proteinase secretion by filamentous fungus Trichoderma viride
	Talianova, Martina	Slovakian	University of Lyon, France	Institute of Biophysics AS CR, Brno, Czech Republic	Effects of reproductive and breeding systems on genome organisation in the genus <i>Silene</i>
Slovenia	Ceru, Slavko	Slovenian	Medical Centre Nottingham, UK	Institute Jozef Stefan, Ljubljana, Slovenia	Degradation of cystatin B through proteasom system and its influence on aggregation
	Hafner Bratkovic, Iva	Slovenian	Technical University Munich, Germany	National Institute of Chemistry, Ljubljana, Slovenia	Insight into prion protein conformational change by additional disulfide mutants
	Pasic, Lejla	Slovenian	University Miguel Hernandez Apartado 18, San Juan de Alicante, Spain	University of Ljubljana, Slovenia	Mechanisms for phage evasion in prokaryotes: modification of targets by intragenomic recombination
Spain	Asencio, Claudio	Spanish	Erasmus MC, Rotterdam, The Netherlands	University Pablo de Olavide-CSIC, Sevilla, Spain	Isolation of suppressor mutations of coq- 8(ok840) mutants in <i>C. elegans</i>
	Barrera Olivares, Francisco	Spanish	Aalborg University, Denmark	University Miguel Hernandez, Alicante, Spain	Kinetic characterization of the folding mechanism of the potassium channel KcsA

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pain cont.)	Castro Castro, Antonio	Spanish	The Netherlands Cancer Institute, Antoni van Leeuwenhoek Hospital (NKI-AVL), Amsterdam, The Netherlands	CSIC-University of Salamanca, Spain	Characterisation and RNAi screen of proteins involved in the shuttling of the Rac1 GTPase from the cytosol to the plasma membrane
	Cobreros-Reguera, Laura	Spanish	Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore, USA	CABD, Pablo de Olavide University, Seville, Spain	<i>In vivo</i> analysis of the role of integrins on border cell migration
	Corbacho, Isaac	Spanish	Institute for Microbiology, Zürich, Switzerland	University of Estremadura, Badajoz, Spain	Quantification of glycosylation efficiency in different alg mutant strains using a MS-based quantification assay
	de Paz, Héctor David	Spanish	Biozentrum of the University of Basel, Switzerland	University of Cantabria, Santander, Spain	DNA transfer into human cells mediated by the type IV secretion systems of <i>Bartonella</i> spp.
	Del Carmen Fernández Alonso, Maria	Spanish	National Institute of Health, Bethesda, USA	Biological Research Centre, Madrid, Spain	Effect of soluble septosome proteins on the oligomerisation and assembly of FtsZ, an essential bacterial cell division protein: a multi-signal analytical ultracentrifugation analysis
	Dominguez Villar, Margarita	Spanish	University Hospital Huddinge, Stockholm, Sweden	Puerto Real University Hospital, Spain	Effect of HCV core protein expression in NK cell function
	Elías, Alberto	Spanish	Max Planck Institute for Terrestrial Microbiology, Marburg, Germany	Pablo de Olavide University, Seville, Spain	Identification and characterisation of virulence factors in the corn smut fungus <i>Ustilago maydis</i>
	Elorza, Ainara	Spanish	University of Leuven, Belgium	Princess Hospital, Madrid, Spain	Generation of conditional transgenic mice overexpressing the prolyl hydroxylases PHD-1,-2,-3 oxygen sensors
	Fernandez Fernandez, Seila	Spanish	Medical Research Council, Harwell, UK	University of Salamanca, Spain	Phenotypic characterisation of mutants Guthrie and Panza. Relevance to Huntington's disease
	Garcia, Ana	Spanish	EMBL, Heidelberg, Germany	Cancer Research Center, Salamanca, Spain	Study of Implication of Mug1 and Mug5 in horsetail movement in S. pombe
	García-Hoz, Carlota	Spanish	University of Bergen, Norway	Centre of Molecular Biology "Severo Ochoa", Madrid, Spain	<i>In vivo</i> study of Galfaq/PKCz association by FRET analysis
	Gomez Valero, Laura	Spanish	University of Uppsala , Sweden	University of Valencia, Spain	Partial analysis of the genome of a <i>Wolbachia</i> strain from <i>Drosophila</i> simulans
	González Mamely, Iván	Spanish	University of Sussex, Brighton, UK	Hospital Universitario de Canarias, Tenerife, Spain	Role of claspin in double-stranded DNA break repair

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Spain 'cont.)	González Pérez, Blanca	Spanish	Ecole Normale Supérieure, Paris, France	Faculty of Medicine, Santander, Spain	Single-molecule study of TrwC, a DNA-strand transferase
	Gonzalez Seiz,	Spanish	Wallenberg Neuroscience Center, Lund, Sweden	Autonomous University of Madrid, Spain	Electrophysiological characterisation of human neural stem cell cultures derived from ventral mesencephalon
	Gonzalez, Francisca	Spanish	Institute of Medical Microbiology, Munich, Germany	Instituto de Investigaciones Biomédicas Alberto Sols (IIB), Madrid, Spain	Suppression of MyD88- and/or TRIF- dependent signalling pathways of Toll-like receptors (TLRs) by acanthoic acid-related diterpenes
	González, Inmaculada	Spanish	Institute of Human Genetics, Montpellier, France	Madrid University, Spain	Use of ChIP technology to uncover the association of agony, a polycomb and trithorax interacting protein with specific DNA sequences
	Guix Rafols, Francesc Xavier	Spanish	Center of Human Genetics, Leuven, The Netherlands	Pompeu Fabra University, Barcelona, Spain	Amyloid β-peptide-induced nitrotyrosination of triose phosphate isomerase promotes paired helical filament formation
	Herrera, M. Carmen	Spanish	Imperial College London, UK	Estación Experimental del Zaidín, Granada, Spain	Crystallisation of PhhR
	Lacal Romero, Jésus	Spanish	University of California, Davis, USA	CSIC, Granada, Spain	Elucidation of the molecular mechanism of TodS/TodT-mediated chemotaxis in <i>Pseudomonas</i>
	Laguna Tuset, Ariadna	Spanish	Salpétrière Hospital, Paris, France	Centre of Genomic Regulation, Barcelona, Spain	Analysis of DYRK1A function in te development of retinotectal networks
	Lima Silva, Viviana	Spanish	Faculty of Agriculture, Food and Environmental Quality Sciences, Rehovot, Israel	University of Málaga, Spain	Vitamin C profiling of a population of backcross inbred lines (BILs) generated as an interspecific cross between S. lycopersicum and S. neorickii
	Lopez Serra, Lidia	Spanish	Imperial College School of Medicine, London, UK	Spanish National Cancer Research Centre (CNIO), Madrid, Spain	MBD proteins profile of stem cell during differentiation
	Lozano, Rosa	Spanish	MCDB Yale University, New Haven, USA	University of Málaga, Spain	Analysis of the interaction between Geminiviruses and two SCF regulators: CAND1 and the CSN complex
	Nuñez-Corcuera, Beatriz	Spanish	University of Dundee, UK	Biological Research Centre, Madrid, Spain	Analysis of cudA and statA expression in a new <i>Dictyostelium</i> mutant: padA ⁻
	Pardo, Julian	Spanish	John Curtin School of Medical Research, Canberra, Australia	University of Zaragoza, Spain	Biological relevance of apoptosis induced by perforin/granzymes during ectromelia virus infection

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Spain (cont.)	Pérez Bueno, María Luisa	Spanish	Hungarian Academy of Sciences, Szeged, Hungary	University of Sheffield, UK	Thermodynamic dissection of the mechanisms of non photochemical quenching in higher plants
	Pernaute, Barbara	Spanish	MRC Clinical Sciences Centre, London, UK	Autonomous University of Madrid, Spain	MicroRNAs involvement in mouse trophoblast development
	Pineda, David	Spanish	University of Leuven, Belgium	Foundation IMIM, Barcelona, Spain	Molecular mechanism of tissue plasminogen activator (tPA) induction by amyloid beta in neurons: implications for Alzheimer's disease
	Porrúa, Odil	Spanish	Umea University, Sweden	Pablo de Olavide University, Sevilla, Spain	<i>In vitro</i> transcription of atzR-atzDEF system from <i>Pseudomonas</i> sp. ADP
	Reyes Valerón, María Abigail	Spanish	University of Basel, Switzerland	University of Salamanca, Spain	Intracellular sorting of Chs3
	Rodrigo, Guillermo	Spanish	Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Cambridge, USA	Polytechnic University of Valencia, Spain	Design and evolution of <i>de novo</i> metabolic pathways
	Rodrígues-Chacón, Mariola	Spanish	Columbia University Medical Center, New York, USA	Miguel Hernandez University, Alicante, Spain	Cytoskeleton dynamic in growth cone: actin microinjection
	Rodriguez-Romero, Julio L.	Spanish	University of Glasgow, UK	University of Sevilla, Spain	Expression, purification and characterisation of blue light photoreceptor from <i>Phycomyces</i>
	Ruiz de Almodovar, Carmen	Spanish	CNRS UMR 7102, Paris, France	University of Leuven, Belgium	Characterisation of the role of VEGF during cerebellum development
	Sanchis, Daniel	Spanish	UT Southwestern Medical Center at Dallas, USA	University of Lleida, Spain	Role of histone deacetylases in the control of apoptotic gene expression during heart development
	Valiente Cortés, Manuel	Spanish	Burnham Institute for Medical Research, La Jolla, USA	Institute of Neurosciences, Alicante, Spain	Development of siRNA lentiviral vectors against intracellular proteins implicated in migration of cortical neurons
	Vega, Lorena	Spanish	University of Heidelberg, Germany	Instituto de Microbiología Bioquímica, Salamanca, Spain	Characterisation of factors participating in maturation of pre-40S subunit in ribosomal biogenesis
	Yerbes-Cadenas, Rosario	Spanish	Drexel University College of Medicine, Philadelphia, USA	Andalusian Molecular Biology and Regenerative Medicine Centre (CABIMER), Seville, Spain	Death receptor signalling during lumen formation
Sweden	Andersson, Maria	Swedish	University of Massachussetts Medical School, Worcester, USA	Göteborg University, Sweden	Production and investigations of zeta, an unfolded protein in the T-cell receptor

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Sweden (cont.)	Andersson, Olov	Swedish	ISREC-EPFL, Swiss Federal Institute of Technology, Lausanne, Switzerland	Karolinska Institute, Stockholm, Sweden	Potential interaction between Cdx2 and Nodal signalling – implications for mesoderm induction
	Eriksson, Joakim	Swedish	Macquarie University, New South Wales, Australia	University of Cambridge, UK	Development of onychophorans as a model system in evolutionary developmental biology
	Lüppert, Alfred	Swedish	Stanford University School of Medicine, USA	Karolinska Institute, Stockholm, Sweden	Cancer stem cells in brain tumours
Switzerland	Bridel, Claire	Swiss	Virginia Commonwealth University, Richmond, USA	University Hospital Zürich, Switzerland	Murine FDCs and in vitro prion replication
	Rauch, Alexander	Swiss	The Scripps Research Institute, La Jolla, USA	Institute of Biochemistry, ETH, Zürich, Switzerland	Autoregressive moving average analysis of astral microtubule dynamics in <i>S. cerevisae</i>
	Stadelmann, Britta	Swiss	Institute for Hygiene and Microbiology, Würzburg, Germany	Institute of Parasitology, Bern, Switzerland	Laminated layer and excretory/secretory products of <i>Echinococcus multilocularis</i> metacestodes are important for pathogenesis
Turkey	Bener Aksam, Eda	Turkish	Institute for Molecular Biosciences, Graz, Austria	University of Groningen, Netherlands	The role of peroxisomes in apoptosis in yeast
	Cangul, Hakan	Turkish	University of Birmingham, UK	Uludag University School of Medicine, Bursa, Turkey	Mapping of autosomal recessive disease genes
	Evran,	Turkish	University of Regensburg, Germany	Ege University, Izmir, Turkey	Interconverting the activities of two TIM barrel enzymes by evolutionary design
United Kingdom	Arden, Catherine	British	Howard Hughes Medical Institute, Ann Arbor, USA	Newcastle University, UK	Protein–protein interactions of the glucose sensor enzyme glucokinase in pancreatic beta-cells
	Hagen, Rachel	British	East Carolina University, Greenville, USA	University of Cambridge, UK	Role of SREBP-1c in the generation of lipid substrates for oxidation in skeletal muscle during exercise
	Hasan, Uzma	British	Yale University School of Medicine, New Haven, USA	IARC Internation Agency for Research on Cancer, Lyon, France	The localisation and association of TLR9 regulation by high risk types of human papillomavirus and viral persistence
	Lloret Vilaspasa, Ferran	British	IBL Clusius Laboratorium, Leiden, The Netherlands	University College London, UK	Vertical signalling by Hox genes and anterior – posterior patterning of the early embryo

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United Kingdom (cont.)	Rawling, Joanna	British	University of Geneva Medical School CMU, Switzerland	Centro Nacional de Microbiología, Instituto de Salud Carlos III, Madrid, Spain	Investigation of the proteolytic processing region of the human respiratory syncytial virus fusion protein in the context of Sendai virus
	Wright, Cynthia	British	Harvard Institute of Proteomics, Cambridge, USA	John Radcliffe Hospital, Oxford, UK	Proteomic detection of autoantibodies in patients with ankylosing spondylitis
other nationalities	Butler, Ryan	American	University of Nice, France	National University of Ireland, Galway, Ireland	Investigating the molecular mechanisms mediating synaptic plasticity in the midbrain during pain, conditioned fear, and fear-induced analgesia
	Rohn, Jennifer	American	EMBL, Heidelberg, Germany	MRC Laboratory for Molecular Cell Biology, London, UK	Use of live-cell imaging to characterize novel regulators of mammalian cell morphogenesis
	Marchesisni, Maria Ines	Argentinian	Scientific and Technology Park Luminy, Marseille, France	Institute of Biotechnology Research, Buenos Aires, Argentina	Characterisation of a <i>Brucella</i> TFSS substrate
	Nieto Peñalver, María Carolina	Argentinian	Imperial College London, UK	National University of Tucuman, San Miguel de Tucumán, Argentina	Systematics and phylogeny of the Baetidae (Insecta: Ephemeroptera) based on morphological and molecular characters
	Turk, Gabriela	Argentinian	Curie Institute, Inserm U653, Paris, France	University of Buenos Aires, Argentina	Impact of human immunodeficiency virus Type 1 intersubtype variability of NEF activity
	Villarreal, Fernando	Argentinian	University of Hannover, Germany	Biological Research Centre, Mar del Plata, Argentina	Proteomic analysis of mitochondrial gamma-carbonic anhydrases mutants and overxpressing cell cultures
	Lapkouski, Mikalai	Belarusian	EMBL, Hamburg, Germany	University of South Bohemia, Nove Hrady, Czech Republic	Structure-functional characteristics of the HsdR subunit of the EcoR124I endonuclease from <i>E. coli</i>
	Nóbrega Pitaluga, André	Brazilian	Charles University, Prague, Czech Republic	DBBM, IOC – FIOCRUZ, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil	Identification of putative new anti-microbial peptide in sand flies from the old world
	Hadzhiev, Yavor	Bulgarian	Bergen Center for Computational Science, Norway	Institute for Toxicology and Genetic Research, Karlsruhe, Germany	Identification of core promoter sequences responsible for promoter–enhancer specificity in long-range cis-regulatory interactions in vertebrate development
	Lemay, Jean-Francois	Canadian	The University of St Andrews, UK	University of Sherbrooke, Canada	Single-molecule stepwise transcription: a novel framework to study co-transcriptiona folding

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other nationalities	Flores Morales, Amilcar	Colombian	University of Oxford, UK	Karolinska Institute, Stockholm, Sweden	Characterisation of the mechanism of action of SOCS2				
(cont.)	Rodriguez Alfonso, Armando	Cuban	Faculty of Pharmacy, Leuven, Belgium	CEBIMAR, Habana, Cuba	Obtaining of a new peptide from a sea anemone, acting upong potassium channels with potential pharmacological and biomedical applications				
	Malekkou, Anna	Cypriot	University of Dundee, UK	University of Cyprus, Nicosia, Cyprus	Functional characterisation of a novel nuclear ATPase protein, hCINAP				
	Poirazi, Panayiota	Cypriot	Institute of Life Sciences, Los Angeles, USA	Institute of Molecular Biology and Biotechnology (IMBB), Heraklion, Greece	Computational modelling and physiological studies of neural form and function in the ageing brain				
	Kanduri, Chandrasekhar	Indian	The Babraham Institute, Cambridge, UK	The Rudbeck Laboratory, Uppsala, Sweden	Functional characterisation of proteins that are associated with Kcnq1ot1 and Xist silencing domains				
	Siddiqui, Tabrez Jamal	Indian	Max Planck Institute for Experimental Medicine, Göttingen, Germany	University of British Columbia, Vancouver, Canada	Generation and analysis of conditional knock-out mice for novel genes inducing presynaptic differentiation				
	Kartikasari, April	Indonesian	University of Heidelberg, Germany	UMC St. Radboud Nijmegen, The Netherlands	Cellular signalling of the iron hormone hepcidin				
	Saade, Murielle	Lebanese	Fred Hutchinson Cancer Research Center, Seattle, USA	INSERM ERM206, Laboratoire Technologies Avancées pour le Génome et la Clinique (TAGC), Marseille, France	Development and validation of biobodies specific for spatial isoforms				
	Briseno-Roa, Luis	Mexican	Institute of Genetics and Molecular and Cellular Biology, Strasbourg, France	Laboratory of Molecular Biology, Cambridge, UK	EM of SYD-4 protein and syd-4 mutant synapses using high-pressure freezing				
	Manori Dissanayake, Sarala	New Zealander	EMBL-EBI, Hinxton, UK	University of Auckland, New Zealand	Visualisation of biological models				
	Adewale, Isaac Olusanjo	Nigerian	University of Bonn , Germany	Obafemi Awolowo University, Ile-Ife, Nigeria	Enzymatic analysis and biochemical regulation of stress-associated aldehyde dehydrogenases				
	Ayeni, Funmilola	Nigerian	Instituto del Frio (CSIC), Madrid, Spain	Okemesi Grammar School, Okemesi Ekiti, Nigeria	Identification and plasmid profiles of lactic acid bactaria isolated from fermented dairy foods and meat products in Nigeria				

	name	nationality	host laboratory	home laboratory	research interest
ther ationalities cont.)	Ojo, Olabisi	Nigerian	Barts and the London Queen Mary's School of Medicine and Dentistry, London, UK	University College Cork, Ireland	Rapid phylogenetic analysis of <i>Mycobacterium tuberculosis</i> clinical isolates in Southern Ireland
	Kovalevskiy, Oleg	Russian	University of York, UK	Russian Academy of Sciences, Pushchino, Russia	Regulation of <i>Bacillus cereus</i> hemolysin II expression: structural investigation
	Laletina (Babaylova), Elena	Russian	Institute for Molecular and Cell Biology, Strasbourg, France	Institute of Chemical Biology and Fundamental Medicine, Novosibirsk, Russia	Mapping of the SECIS RNA-protein contacts on the human ribosome
	Pindyurin, Aleksey	Russian	Erasmus University Medical Centre, Rotterdam, The Netherlands	Siberian Division of Russian Academy of Sciences, Novosibirsk, Russia	Purification and characterisation of SUUR (Suppressor of Under-Replication) protein complex of <i>Drosophila</i>
	Salozhin, Sergey	Russian	INMED – The Mediterranean Institute of Neurobiology, Marseille, France	Institute of Higher Nervous Activity and Neurophysiology, Moscow, Russia	Effect of the overexpression of NKCC1, a sodium-potassium-chloride cotransporter on neurons development
	Boryskina, Olena (Yelena)	Ukrainian	CNRS – Rennes University, France	Institute of Radiophysics and Electronics NAS of Ukraine, Kharkov, Ukraine	Bridging the gap between pathologies, rheological properties of collagen, and genetic mutations
	Koval, Lyudmyla	Ukrainian	Pasteur Institute, Paris, France	Palladin Institute of Biochemistry of the National Academy of Sciences of Ukraine, Kyiv, Ukraine	The role of two nicotinic receptor subtypes in B lymphocyte activation
	Pismenetskaya, Irine	Ukrainian	University of Oxford, UK	Dniepropetrovsk State Medical Academy, Ukraine	HPLC analysis of oligosaccharides of glycoconjugates and their free analogues in urine

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applications and awards 2000-2007

country from	applications	% of total	awards	% of total	success rate %
Austria	19	1	9	1	47
Belgium	49	2	30	2	61
Croatia	19	1	9	1	47
Czech Republic	54	2	32	2	59
Denmark	19	1	10	1	53
Estonia*	3	0	2	0	67
Finland	22	1	15	1	68
France	176	7	107	8	61
Germany	179	7	98	7	55
Greece	106	4	59	4	56
Hungary	61	2	37	3	61
Iceland	12	1	7	1	58
Ireland	27	1	17	1	63
Israel	104	4	69	5	66
Italy	385	15	199	14	52
Luxembourg**	0	0	0	0	0
The Netherlands	65	3	43	3	66
Norway	10	0	5	0	50
Poland	104	4	46	3	44
Portugal	50	2	28	2	56
Slovak Republic**	2	0	2	0	100
Slovenia	31	1	15	1	48
Spain	402	16	224	16	56
Sweden	32	1	22	2	69
Switzerland	33	1	19	1	58
Turkey	59	2	22	2	37
United Kingdom	92	4	61	4	66
Eastern Europe	207	8	94	7	45
Others	212	8	100	7	47
Total	2534	100	1381	100	55

* Estonia joined the EMBC in 2006

** Luxembourg and the Slovak Republic joined the EMBC in 2007

applications and awards 1977-2007

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year	applications	awards	success rate %
2007	409	211	52
2006	393	194	49
2005	383	201	52
2004	301	167	55
2003	289	138	48
2002	252	170	67
2001	233	124	53
2000	274	176	64
1999	230	138	60
1998	279	143	51
1997	339	188	55
1996	316	180	57
1995	325	187	57
1994	369	203	55
1993	376	209	55
1992	351	213	61
1991	344	194	56
1990	346	211	61
1989	331	199	60
1988	351	211	60
1987	301	212	70
1986	309	215	70
1985	304	221	73
1984	320	226	71
1983	335	223	67
1982	321	213	66
1981	339	235	69
1980	357	242	68
1979	344	243	71
1978	349	244	70
1977	294	213	72

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Austria									1								1			1										2	5
Belgium															4		1		1	1			3					1		1	12
Croatia																															0
Czech Republic		1													1															1	3
Denmark						1			1						2		1						2					1		1	9
Estonia*															1																1
Finland	1									2													1					1		1	6
France		5	1	1						1	1		1	2	6				2			1	5			1	2	6	2	11	48
Germany	1			2				1		2	3			5	9		2		4	2		1	8		1	1	2	2	3	8	57
Greece																							1			1		1			3
Hungary				1											1												2				4
Iceland																															0
Ireland																															0
Israel									1														1								2
Italy								2					1						1				1					1		6	12
Luxembourg**																															0
Netherlands						1	2	2			1		1		3					2			5				2	2	2	2	25
Norway									1						1								1								3
Poland																														1	1
Portugal																															0
Slovak Republic**																															0
Slovenia																															0
Spain	1	1						1	1	1	2				3							1				1			1	6	19
Sweden									2								1		2				7		1		1			1	15
Switzerland		1							1														5	1				1			9
Turkey																															0
UK					1			5	7	3	3		2		13		4		3	2	2	4	15	2	2	3		6	2	9	88
EMBL				1				1	1	1				1									2	1			1		1		10
Eastern Europe															1																1
USA/Canada	1		1	1				7	7	1			1	4	11		2	1		1			16	2	5		4				65
Others									1	1			1		2				1				1				3			1	11
Total	4	8	2	6	1	2	2	19	24	12	10	0	7	12	58	0	12	1	14	9	2	7	74	6	9	7	17	22	11	51	409

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Austria	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	_	1	-	_		-	-	-	_	1		-	1							_		_	-	3
Belgium															3					<u> </u>			2							1	6
Croatia																							2								0
Czech Republic		1																												1	2
Denmark									1														1								2
Estonia*															1																1
Finland										1					<u> </u>																1
France		2		1									1	1	4								4				1	4		2	20
Germany		-		1							2			3	5		2		3	1		1	3		1	1	1	-	1	2	27
Greece											2						~													-	0
Hungary				1											1												1				3
Iceland															<u> </u>																0
Ireland																															0
Israel																							1								1
Italy																															0
Luxembourg**																															0
Netherlands						1	1	2					1		2								3				2	1			13
Norway									1						1								1								3
Poland																															0
Portugal																															0
Slovak Republic**																															0
Slovenia																															0
Spain	1	1						1	1	1					1							1								1	8
Sweden									1								1		2				4		1		1				10
Switzerland									1														5	1							7
Turkey																															0
UK					1			3	2	3	3		2		7		3			2	2	1	6	2	2	1		4	1	1	46
EMBL				1				1	1	1				1									1				1		1		8
Eastern Europe																															0
USA/Canada			1	1				3	2	1			1	3	7		2			1			10	2	5		2				41
Others									1	1			1		1				1				1				3				9
Total	1	4	1	5	1	1	1	10	12	8	5	0	6	8	33	0	9	0	6	5	2	3	42	5	9	2	12	9	3	8	211

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EMBO young investigators 2007

name	nationality	institute	research interest
Bousso, Philippe	French	Pasteur Institute, Paris, France	T cell dynamics in vivo
d'Adda di Fagagna, Fabrizio	Italian	IFOM, Milan, Italy	Senescence and DNA damage checkpoint
Etienne-Manneville, Sandrine	French	Pasteur Institute, Paris, France	Astrocyte polarity and migration
Gerhardt, Holger	German	Cancer Research UK, London, UK	Endothelial guidance in vascular patterning
Harkany, Tibor	Hungarian	Karolinska Institute, Stockholm, Sweden	Developmental deficits in the CNS
Hoppe, Thorsten	German	ZMNH, Hamburg, Germany	Protein degradation
Hummel, Thomas	German	University of Münster, Germany	Formation of the sensory nervous system
Janke, Carsten	German	CNRS-CRBM, Montpellier, France	Tubulin modification and function
Ketting, René	Dutch	Hubrecht Laboratory, Utrecht, The Netherlands	Small RNAs in the vertebrate germline
Martínez, Javier	Argentinian	IMBA, Vienna, Austria	RNA silencing in mammalian cells
Más, Paloma	Spanish	IBMB-CSIC, Barcelona, Spain	Circadian rhythm in Arabidopsis
Milán, Marco	Spanish	Institute for Research in Biomedicine, Barcelona, Spain	Cellular boundaries during development
Schnittger, Arp	German	University of Cologne, Germany	Control of cell size and number
Segal, Eran	Israeli	The Weizmann Institute of Science, Rehovot, Israel	Modelling of transcriptional regulation
Seoane, Joan	Spanish	Vall d'Hebron University Hospital, Barcelona, Spain	Glioma genesis and progression
Tapon, Nicolas	French	Cancer Research UK, London	Tissue size control
Vendruscolo, Michele	Italian	University of Cambridge, UK	Protein aggregation in theory and experiment
Zimmermann, Pascale	Belgian	Catholic University, Leuven, Belgium	The role of PDZ domains in development

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name	nationality	moving from	moving to	research interest
Bryja, Vítězslav	Czech	Karolinska Institute,	Masaryk University,	Wnt pathway activation
		Stockholm, Sweden	Brno, Czech Republic	
Çelik, Arzu	Turkish	New York University,	Bogazici University,	Photoreceptor differentiation
		USA	Istanbul, Turkey	
Dobrzyń, Agnieszka	Polish	University of	Nencki Institute of	Lipid-induced insulin resistance
		Wisconsin-Madison,	Experimental Biology,	
		USA	Warsaw, Poland	
Pál, Csaba	Hungarian	University of Oxford,	Biological Research Center,	Evolutionary systems biology
		UK	Szeged, Hungary	
Reményi, Attila	Hungarian	University of California,	Eötvös Lorand University,	Protein-protein interactions
		San Francisco, USA	Budapest, Hungary	
Vaňáčova, Štěpánka	Czech	Biozentrum,	Masaryk University,	Nuclear RNA quality control
		Basel, Switzerland	Brno, Czech Republic	
Veiga-Fernandes, Henrique	Portuguese	NIMR,	Molecular Medicine	Lymphocyte development
		London, UK	Institute (IMM),	
			Lisbon, Portugal	
Yaman, İbrahim	Turkish	Case Western	Marmara Research Center,	Ochratoxin A carcinogenicity
		Reserve University,	Gebze, Turkey	
		Cleveland, USA		
Žagrović, Bojan	Croatian	ETH Zurich,	Mediterranean Institute for	Molecular structure and dynamics
		Switzerland	Life Sciences (MedILS),	
			Split, Croatia	

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A Adams, Ralf	Cavaillé, Jérôme	Haucke, Volker
Agami, Reuven	Chin, Jason	Helariutta, Ykä
Allain, Frederic	Chiti, Fabrizio	Helms, Volkhard
Alon, Uri	Christoforidis, Savvas	Hidalgo, Alicia
Antonny, Bruno	Clausen, Tim	Hirst, Judy
Arber, Silvia	Collinson, Ian	Holstege, Frank
Arkowitz, Robert	Conradt, Barbara	Hopfner, Karl-Peter
Arribas, Joaquin	Cosma, Maria Pia	I Ivaska, Johanna
Ashe, Hilary	Costanzo, Vincenzo	J Jansen, Ralf
Averof, Michalis	Cramer, Patrick	Jensen, Torben Heick
B Barkai, Naama	Currie, Peter	K Kaessmann, Henrik
Barr, Francis	D Davis, Daniel	Khakh, Baljit
Barral, Yves	de Gier, Jan-Willem	Klaholz, Bruno
Barre, François-Xavier	Del Pozo, Miguel	Knoblich, Jürgen
Batista, Facundo	Delledonne, Massimo	Köhler, Claudia
Baum, Buzz	Dessen, Andrea	Konieczny, Igor
Behrens, Axel	Dickson, Barry	Kunji, Edmund
Beja, Oded	Dominguez, Maria	L Labib, Karim
Bellaïche, Yohanns	Donaldson, Anne	Längst, Gernot
Ben-Yehuda, Sigal	Dutzler, Raimund	Lappalainen, Pekka
Berger, Frederic	E Einsle, Oliver	Lecuit, Thomas
Bertolotti, Anne	Elena, Santiago	Lemaitre, Bruno
Bertrand, Edouard	F Fankhauser, Christian	Levashina, Elena A.
Blazquez, Miguel	Fernandez-Chacon, Rafael	Leys, David
Bochtler, Matthias	Friml, Jirí	Logan, Malcolm
Boulton, Simon	Fuks, François	Lohmann, Jan
Boutros, Michael	G Glotzer, Michael	Löwe, Jan
Briscoe, James	Gönczy, Pierre	Lygerou, Zoi
Bujnicki, Janusz	Gonzalez-Reyes, Acaimo	M Malnasi Csizmadia, Andras
Bumann, Dirk	H Hajnal, Alex	Mansuy, Isabelle
C Casares, Fernando	Hassan, Bassem	Manzanares, Miguel

EMBO young investigators 2000-2006 (cont.)

	Marin, Oscar		Pierre, Philippe	Т	Таіра
	Marine, Jean-Christophe		Pilpel, Yitzhak		Tama
	Martin-Bermudo, Maria Dolores		Poirazi, Panayiota		Tanal
	Mattevi, Andrea		Posas, Francesc		Taver
	Mehlen, Patrick	R	Radtke, Freddy		Teich
	Meier, Pascal		Reich, Ziv		Telfo
	Mitchell, Kevin		Rescigno, Maria		There
	Møller, Simon Geir		Robinson, Robert		Trouc
	Mosialos, George		Rodriguez, Ivan		Trum
	Mota, Maria		Rouse, John		Tsian
	Musacchio, Andrea	S	Salecker, Iris		Tusch
N	Nagy, Laszlo		Santos, Manuel	U	Uhlm
	Nehrbass, Ulf		Saudou, Frédéric		Ulric
	Neuhauss, Stephan		Schärer, Orlando		Unge
	Nichols, Benjamin		Schedl, Andreas	V	van A
	Nissen, Poul		Schleper, Christa		Van d
	Noselli, Stephane		Schlötterer, Christian		van o
0	Oldroyd, Giles		Schneitz, Kay		van S
	Otzen, Daniel		Schübeler, Dirk		Vinke
	Owen, David		Schwappach, Blanche		Viola
	Owen-Hughes, Tom		Scorrano, Luca		Voinr
	Oxenius, Annette		Sourjik, Victor	W	Wim
Ρ	Palková, Zdena		Spahn, Christian		Wutz
	Palmer, Ruth		Spang, Anne	Z	Zeen
	Pasero, Philippe		Stancheva, Irina		Zerni
	Peeper, Daniel		Stock, Daniela		
	Pellizzoni, Livio		Sträßer, Katja		
	Peracchi, Alessio		Strick, Terence		
	Perrakis, Anastassis		Stumpf, Michael		
	Peters, Jan-Michael		Suomalainen-Wartiovaara, Anu		
	Philpott, Dana		Szabò, Ildikò		

Т	Taipale, Jussi
	Tamagnone, Luca
	Tanaka, Tomoyuki
	Tavernarakis, Nektarios
	Teichmann, Sarah
	Telford, Maximilian
	Therond, Pascal
	Trouche, Didier
	Trumpp, Andreas
	Tsiantis, Miltos
	Tuschl, Thomas
U	Uhlmann, Frank
	Ulrich, Helle
	Ungermann, Christian
V	van Aalten, Daan
	Van den Ackerveken, Guido
	van der Goot, Gisou
	van Steensel, Bas
	Vinkemeier, Uwe
	Viola, Antonella
	Voinnet, Olivier
W	Wimmer, Ernst
	Wutz, Anton
Ζ	Zeeman, Samuel
	Zernicka-Goetz, Magdalena

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applications and		2	2000	2	2001	2	2002	2	2003	2	004	2	2005	2	2006	2	2007
awards 2000-2007	country	appl.	aw. appl.	aw.	appl.	aw.	appl.	aw.									
	Austria	9	5	3	0	1	0	0	0	3	1	3	1	3	0	2	1
	Belgium	8	0	2	0	3	0	2	1	1	0	3	0	6	2	6	1
	Croatia	2	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
	Czech Republic	2	0	0	1	6	0	14	0	4	0	2	0	2	0	0	0
	Denmark	5	1	0	0	0	0	2	2	0	0	1	0	3	0	2	0
	Estonia*	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Finland	9	2	1	0	4	1	3	0	9	0	2	0	5	2	8	0
	France	72	5	17	4	26	4	26	2	17	3	14	2	16	4	8	3
	Germany	52	7	22	4	17	4	15	3	30	3	23	4	27	2	19	3
	Greece	8	2	1	2	4	1	3	0	4	1	6	0	4	0	4	0
	Hungary	2	1	1	0	6	0	7	1	5	0	1	0	3	0	0	0
	Iceland	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0
	Ireland	6	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	3	1	1	0	2	0	0	0
	Israel	13	2	7	1	4	0	5	1	5	0	3	1	5	1	2	1
	Italy	22	1	6	3	14	3	11	1	14	0	14	1	11	3	9	1
	Netherlands	10	2	6	2	3	0	4	0	3	1	5	1	8	0	5	1
	Luxembourg**	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Norway	2	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Poland	13	1	2	0	8	1	6	0	8	1	2	0	0	0	0	0
	Portugal	9	1	6	1	2	0	2	1	3	0	4	0	2	0	1	0
	Slovak Republic**	* 0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Slovenia	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	2	0	1	0	0	0
	Spain	40	4	26	1	18	2	26	2	21	1	17	1	16	0	18	3
	Sweden	23	1	3	0	15	0	7	1	8	0	3	1	10	0	14	1
	Switzerland	21	6	11	3	12	3	5	1	8	1	8	3	5	2	4	0
* Estonia joined	Turkey	8	0	1	0	2	0	2	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	2	0
the EMBC in 2006	United Kingdom	75	14	30	1	23	4	21	5	20	7	13	2	22	5	26	3
** Luxembourg and	Others	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
the Slovak Republic	Total	415	55	150	23	169	23	163	21	172	20	128	17	153	21	131	18
joined the EMBC	Female	94	13	44	4	45	4	47	7	39	4	32	2	32	6	37	3
in 2007	Male	321	42	106	19	124	19	116	14	133	16	96	15	121	15	94	15

	average
age	34.8
post-doctoral years	4.7
total number of publications	21
last-author publications	3.4
first-author publications	9.3

general statistics for all young investigators upon selection 2000-2007

	no.	% of total
USA	112	62.2

pre- and/or	post-doctorate	spent in USA
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post-doctoral fellowships received from international agencies

	no.	% of total
EMBO	57	32.0
HFSP	40	21.4
EU TMR	21	12.0

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oung investigator ectures 2007	Strick, Terence	Young Japanese Researcher Meeting	JP–Tokyo	10–11 January
	Strick, Terence	43rd Annual Contact Meeting of the Norwegian Biochemical Society	NO-Lillehammer	1-4 February
	Allain, Frederic	Advances in structural biology and structure prediction	IN-Hyderabad	23–25 February
	Tsiantis, Miltos	Speciation and adaptation – ecological genomics of model organisms and beyond	JP–Okazaki and Kakegawa	11–16 March
	Friml, Jiri	Plant cell biology	US-Coeur d'Alene	23–28 March
	Møller, Simon Geir	Origin and evolution of mitochondria and chloroplasts	IT-Maratea	24–29 March
	Bertolotti, Anne	Protein misfolding and aggregation in ageing and disease	FR-Roscoff	11–15 April
	Batista, Facundo	Fibronectin, integrins and related molecules	IT-Ciocco	22–27 April
	Ivaska, Johanna	Fibronectin, integrins and related molecules	IT-Ciocco	22–27 April
	Hassan, Bassem	Visual processing in insects: from anatomy to behavior	US–Ashburn	29 April–2 May
	Voinnet, Olivier	EMBO Conference Series on Chromatin and Epigenetics	DE-Heidelberg	3–6 May
	Viola, Antonella	Immunology 2007 – 94th Annual Meeting of the AAI	US–Miami Beach, Florida	18–22 May
	Agami, Reuven	Microsymposium on small RNAs	AT-Vienna	21-23 May
	Batista, Facundo	EMBO Conference Series on Signalling in the Immune System	IT–Siena	24-28 May
	Batista, Facundo	37th Annual Meeting of the Scandinavian Society of Immunology	FI-Turku	6-9 June
	Agami, Reuven	Keystone Symposia on microRNA and Cancer	US-Keystone	8–12 June

young investigator lectures 2007 (cont.)	Chiti, Fabrizio	EMBO Conference Series on Protein Folding and Chaperones in Biology	PT-Tomar	9–14 June
	Lecuit, Thomas	Gordon Research Conference on Developmental Biology	US-Andover	24–29 June
	Poirazi, Panayiota	Workshop on quantitative neuron modelling: predicting every spike?	CH-Lausanne	25–26 June
	Einsle, Oliver	Gordon Research Conference on Molybdenum and Tungsten Enzymes	US-New London	1–6 July
	Voinnet, Olivier	32nd FEBS Congress: Molecular Machines	AT-Vienna	7–12 July
	Behrens, Axel	32nd FEBS Congress: Molecular Machines	AT-Vienna	7–12 July
	Dutzler, Raimund	32nd FEBS Congress: Molecular Machines	AT-Vienna	7–12 July
	Agami, Reuven	32nd FEBS Congress: Molecular Machines	AT-Vienna	7–12 July
	Chiti, Fabrizio	32nd FEBS Congress: Molecular Machines	AT-Vienna	7–12 July
	Spahn, Christian	32nd FEBS Congress: Molecular Machines	AT-Vienna	7–12 July
	Rescigno, Maria	The 13th International Congress of Mucosal Immunology (ICMI)	JP–Tokyo	9–12 July
	Einsle, Oliver	13th International Conference on Biological Inorganic Chemistry	AT-Vienna	15-20 July
	Tsiantis, Miltos	19th International Plant Growth Substances Association Meeting	MX–Puerto Vallarta	21–25 July
	Boutros, Michael	Microbial adhesion & signal transduction	US-Newport	22–27 July
	Teichmann, Sarah	Structural, functional and evolutionary genomics	UK-Hinxton	29 July–3 August

young investigator lectures 2007 (cont.)	Beja, Oded	Structural, functional and evolutionary genomics	UK-Hinxton	29 July–3 August
	Taipale, Jussi	Structural, functional and evolutionary genomics	UK-Hinxton	29 July–3 August
	Voinnet, Olivier	Gordon Research Conference on Epigenetics 2007	US-Holderness	5–10 August
	Scorrano, Luca	Assembly of the Mitochondrial Respiratory Chain	US-Tucson	5–10 August
	Ben-Yehuda, Sigal	Gordon Research Conference on Chromosome Dynamics	US-Biddeford	12–17 August
	Schübeler, Dirk	16th International Chromosome Conference	NL-Amsterdam	25–29 August
	Taipale, Jussi	ELSO 2007	DE-Dresden	1–4 September
	Del Pozo, Miguel A.	ELSO 2007	DE-Dresden	1–4 September
	Ivaska, Johanna	ELSO 2007	DE-Dresden	1–4 September
	Baum, Buzz	ELSO 2007	DE-Dresden	1–4 September
	Boutros, Michael	20th European Drosophila Research Conference (EDRC) 2007	AT-Vienna	12–14 September
	Lecuit, Thomas	20th European Drosophila Research Conference (EDRC) 2007	AT-Vienna	12–14 September
	Peeper, Daniel	21st World Congress of Dermatology	AR–Buenos Aires	30 September – 5 October
	Batista, Facundo	5th International Antigen Processing and Presentation Workshop 2007	AU–Dunk Island	7–11 October

young investigator lectures 2007 (cont.)	Martínez, Javier	Combined Meetings: Gene Expression and RNA Processing and Cell Biology, Signalling and Alternative Splicing	AR-Rio Negro	26–30 November
	Batista, Facundo	37th Annual Scientific Meeting of the Australasian Society for Immunology (ASI2007)	AU-Sydney	2–6 December

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	High-throughput microscopy for systems biology	J. Ellenberg	DE-Heidelberg	30 April–5 May
	RNAi	J. Taipale	DE-Heidelberg	6–13 June
	Tissue microarray construction and image analysis	W. Gallagher	IE-Dublin	11-15 June
	Light microscopy in living cells	N. Moreno	PT-Oeiras	14-22 June
	Microinjection and detection of probes in cells	R. Pepperkok	DE-Heidelberg	17–23 June
	Exploiting anomalous scattering in macromolecular structure determination	C. Müller-Dieckmann	FR-Grenoble	18–22 June
	High-throughput protein production and crystallization	R. Owens	UK-Oxford	20-28 June
	Quantification of target sequences by qPCR	V. Benes	DE-Heidelberg	23–28 June
	Structure determination of biological macromolecules by solution NMR	S. Grzesiek	CH-Basel	7–13 July
	Animal models for development, physiology and disease	V. Cunliffe	UK–Sheffield	16-28 July
	Shotgun proteomics	J. Thomas	UK-York	23-26 July
	Methods in cell biology: exploring the dynamics of cellularorganisation	F. Nedelec	DE-Heidelberg	22–31 August
	SNP genotyping and genome-wide association	L. Peltonen	FI–Helsinki	27 August–1 September
	Chromatin immunoprecipitation and related techniques	F. Gannon	DE-Heidelberg	2–7 September
	Image processing for cryo-electron microscopy	E. Orlova	UK-London	10–20 September

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	Advanced analysis and informatics of microarray data	A. Brazma	UK-Cambridge	15–19 October
practical courses 2007 outside Europe	Molecular immunology of protozoan infections	J. Raats	AR-Buenos Aires	17–28 March
	Bioinformatics and comparative genome analysis	F. Tekaia	TN-Tunis	18 March–7 April
	Comparative genomics	A. Dávila	BR-Rio de Janeiro	8–14 April
	Imaging in 3-D and the F-techniques	S. Ahmed	SG-Singapore	17–29 June
	Electron microscopy and stereology in cell biology	G. Griffiths	SG-Singapore	20–30 June
	DNA microarray	P. Vincent	IN-Tamilnadu	11–16 August
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	Calcium and the cytoskeleton	J. Sotelo	UY-Montevideo	29 October – 9 November
ecture courses 2007 Europe (EMBC)	Cellular and molecular biology of membranes	A. Pugsley	FR-Cargese	18–29 June
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workshops 2007 Europe (EMBC)	Membrane traffic in the secretory pathway	S. Tooze	AT-Goldegg am See	9–14 January
	Pathogens and diseases meet the immune system	P. Pierre	FR-Marseille	10–13 January
	Viral RNA: structure, function and targeting	M. Sattler	DE-Heidelberg	5–7 March

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The molecular biology and biochemistry of septins and septin function	Y. Barral	CH-Monte Verità	6–10 May
Molecular biodiversity and DNA barcode	C. Saccone	IT-Rome	17–19 May
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Plant DNA repair and recombination	A. Levy	FR–Presqu'ile de Giens	31 May-3 June
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Model systems for infectious disease and cancer in zebrafish	H. Spaink	NL-Leiden	16–18 July
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	Escherichia coli – facets of a versatile pathogen	J. Hacker	DE-Bad Staffelstein	9–12 October
	EMBO Members Workshop: Frontiers of molecular biology	H. Bujard	ES-Barcelona	26–29 October
	Mechanisms of nucleocytoplasmic transport	E. Hurt	IT-Sicily	27–31 October
	Glycoscience and development	T. Merry	FR-Lille	9–13 December
workshops 2007 outside Europe	8th European meiosis meeting	M. Yamamoto	JP-Kanagawa	13–18 September
conference series 2007 Europe (EMBC)	Pre mRNA processing and disease	F. Baralle	IT-Cortina d'Ampezzo	14–17 January
	From basic genomics to systems biology	D. Inzé	BE-Ghent	2-4 May
	Nuclear receptors: structure and function in health and disease	T. Perlmann	IT-Gardone	2–5 May
	Chromatin and epigenetics	A. Akhtar	DE-Heidelberg	3–7 May
	Molecular and cellular mechanisms of immune regulation	P. Ricciardi-Castagnoli	IT–Sardinia	7–12 May
	Lymphocyte antigen receptor and coreceptor signalling	C. Baldari	IT-Siena	24–28 May
	Protein folding and chaperones in biology	U. Hartl	PT-Tomar	9–14 June
	Protein phosphatases in health and disease	E. da Cruz e Silva	PT-Aveiro	24–28 July
	Nuclear structure and dynamics	G. Cavalli	FR-Montpellier	1–5 September

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	Ubiquitin and ubiquitin-like modifiers	T. Sommer	IT–Riva del Garda	22–26 September
	The assembly and function of neuronal circuits	P. Caroni	CH-Ascona	23–28 September
	Advances in stem cell research	U. Lendahl	SE-Stockholm	12-14 October
	Genetics and mechanisms of susceptibility to infectious diseases	M. Yaniv	FR-Paris	21–24 November
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	Biomagnetism and magnetic biosystems based on molecular recognition processes	J. Bland	ES–Sant Feliu de Guixols	22–27 September
	Three dimensional sensory and motor space	J. Smeets	ES–Sant Feliu de Guixols	6–11 October
	Comparative genomics of eukaryotic microorganisms	E. Louis	ES–Sant Feliu de Guixols	20–25 October
	Probing interactions between nanoparticles/ biomaterials and biological systems - alternative approaches to biotovicity	K. Dawson	ES–Sant Feliu de Guixols	3–8 November

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Simons, Kai	Contact Meeting of the Norwegian Biochemical Society	NO-Lillehammer	31 January– 4 February
zur Hausen, Harald	4th International Workshop on the Structural Biology of Small DNA Viruses	IT–Pontignano	11–16 May
Grosveld, Frank	2007 Gordon Research Conference on Red Cells	FR-Aussois	20-25 May
Schibler, Ueli	15th International Course on Cytochromes P450	SI-Bled	17–21 June
de Lange, Titia	32rd FEBS Congress 2007: Molecular Machines	AT-Vienna	7–12 July
Tsien, Roger	Life Sciences 2007	UK-Glasgow	8–12 July
Ellis, John	2nd World Conference of Stress	HU-Budapest	23–26 August
Pääbo, Svante	5th ISABS Conference in Forensic Genetics and Molecular Anthropology	HR–Split	3–7 September
Gray, John	10th International Colloquium on Endocytobiology and Symbiosis	AT-Gmunden	10–13 September
Partridge, Linda	EDRC 2007: European Drosophila Research Conference	AT-Vienna	12–14 September
Nusse, Roel	Wnt Signalling in Development and Disease	DE-Berlin	12–15 September
Axel, Richard	From Molecules to Cognition: A Tribute to Jean-Pierre Changeux	FR-Paris	17–19 September
Pavelić, Krešimir	7th Meeting of the Slovenian Biochemical Society	SI-Maribor	26–29 September
Reik, Wolf	FISV, IX Annual Congress 2007	IT–Riva del Garda	26–29 September
Proudfoot, Nick	RNA Polymerase I Transcription	DE-Regensburg	4–7 October
Ciechanover, Aaron	IPS 2007: 5th General Meeting of the International Proteolysis Society	GR-Patras	20-24 October

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	Harrison, Stephen	9th EMBL PhD Symposium: Patterns in biology	DE-Heidelberg	25–27 October
plenary lectures 2007 outside Europe	Watt, Fiona	The Hunter Cellular Biology Meeting	AU-Hunter Valley	20–23 March
	Soreq, Hermona	The IXth International Meeting on Cholinesterases	CN-Suzhou	6–10 May
	Robertson, Elizabeth	Gordon Conference on Development Biology	US-Andover	24–29 June
	Ferguson, Mike	XIX International Symposium on Glycoconjugates	AU-Cairns	15-20 July
	Paz-Ares, Javier	19th International Plant Growth Substances Association Meeting	MX–Puerto Vallarta	21-25 July
	Wüthrich, Kurt	6th International Conference of Biological Physics	UY-Montevideo	23–30 August
	Walker, John	16th Queenstown Molecular Biology Meeting	NZ-Queenstown	29 August– 1 September
	Errington, Jeff	XLIII Annual Meeting of the Argentine Society for Biochemistry and Molecular Biology	AR–Buenos Aires	17–20 November

EMBO membership	EMBO members	%women
2001	1092	12.9
2002	1126	13.1
2003	1162	13.3
2004	1191	13.7
2005	1223	13.8
2006	1261	13.9
2007	1305	14.3

EMBO courses & workshops	;	% female participants	% female speakers
2001	practical courses	44	23
	workshops	40	26
	lecture courses	63	20
2002	practical courses	51	23
	workshops	39	25
	lecture courses	58	19
2003	practical courses	49	22
	workshops	41	24
	lecture courses	48	13
2004	practical courses	56	27
	workshops	40	25
	conferences	40	21
	lecture courses	50	29
2005	practical courses	53	27
	workshops	41	22
	conferences	40	26
	lecture courses	60	25
2006	practical courses	45	22
	workshops	45	24
	conferences	45	43
	lecture courses	52	20
2007	practical courses	52	28
	workshops	39	25
	conferences	40	22
	lecture courses	65	18

EMBO long-term fello	owships	applications	awards	% success rate
1996-2001	female applicants	1914 (40.8%)	347 (35.0%)	18.1
	male applicants	2772 (59.2%)	644 (65.0%)	23.2
	total	4686	991	21.1
2002	female applicants	347 (43.4%)	68 (40.5%)	19.5
	male applicants	453 (56.6%)	100 (59.5%)	22.1
	total	800	168	21.0
2003	female applicants	469 (43.4%)	64 (36.4%)	13.6
	male applicants	611 (56.6%)	112 (63.6%)	18.3
	total	1080	176	16.3
2004	female applicants	533 (46.9%)	65 (39.9%)	12.2
	male applicants	604 (53.1%)	98 (60.1%)	16.2
	total	1137	163	14.3
2005	female applicants	589 (47.7%)	89 (44.9%)	15.1
	male applicants	647 (52.3%)	109 (55.1%)	16.8
	total	1236	198	16.0
2006	female applicants	593 (48.1%)	87 (39.2%)	14.7
	male applicants	639 (51.9%)	135 (60.8%)	21.1
	total	1232	222	18.0
2007	female applicants	582 (45.2%)	82 (38.7%)	14.1
	male applicants	706 (54.8%)	130 (61.3%)	18.4
	total	1288	212	16.5
1996-2007	female applicants	5027 (43.8%)	802 (37.6%)	15.9
	male applicants	6437 (56.2%)	1326 (62.4%)	20.6
	total	11464	2128	18.6

EMBO short-term fel	lowships	applications	awards	% success rate
2001	female applicants	130 (55.8%)	70 (56.5%)	53.8
	male applicants	103 (44.2%)	54 (43.5%)	52.4
	total	233	124	53.2
2002	female applicants	148 (53.4%)	81 (53.3%)	54.7
	male applicants	129 (46.6%)	71 (46.7%)	55.0
	total	277	152	54.9
2003	female applicants	139 (53.7%)	72 (52.2%)	51.8
	male applicants	120 (46.3%)	66 (47.8%)	55.0
	total	259	138	53.3
2004	female applicants	161 (53.7%)	84 (52.2%)	52.2
	male applicants	140 (46.3%)	83 (47.8%)	59.3
	total	301	167	55.5
2005	female applicants	190 (49.6%)	88 (44.0%)	46.3
	male applicants	193 (50.4%)	112 (56.0%)	58.0
	total	383	200	52.2
2006	female applicants	203 (51.7%)	99 (51.0%)	48.7
	male applicants	190 (48.3%)	95 (49.0%)	50.0
	total	393	194	49.3
2007	female applicants	212 (51.8%)	117 (55.5%)	55.2
	male applicants	197 (48.2%)	94 (44.5%)	47.7
	total	409	211	47.2
2001-2007	female applicants	1184 (52.7%)	612 (50.6%)	51.7
	male applicants	1070 (47.3%)	583 (49.4%)	54.5
	total	2254	1195	53.0

EMBO young investigators		applications		awards	% success rate
2000-2001	female applicants	138 (24.4%)	17	(21.8%)	12.3
	male applicants	427 (75.6%)	61	(78.2%)	14.3
	total	565	78		13.8
2002	female applicants	45 (26.8%)	4	(17.4%)	8.9
	male applicants	123 (73.2%)	19	(82.6%)	15.4
	total	168	23		13.8
2003	female applicants	47 (28.8%)	7	(33.3%)	14.8
	male applicants	116 (71.2%)	14	(66.7%)	12.1
	total	163	21		12.8
2004	female applicants	38 (22.1%)	4	(20.0%)	10.5
	male applicants	134 (77.9%)	16	(80.0%)	11.9
	total	172	20		11.6
2005	female applicants	32 (25.0%)	2	(11.8%)	6.3
	male applicants	96 (75.0%)	15	(88.2%)	15.6
	total	128	17		13.3
2006	female applicants	32 (20.9%)	6	(28.6%)	18.7
	male applicants	121 (79.1%)	15	(71.4%)	12.4
	total	153	21		13.7
2007	female applicants	37 (28.0%)	3	(16.7%)	8.1
	male applicants	95 (72.0%)	15	(83.3%)	15.8
	total	132	18		13.6

2000-2007	female applicants	369 (24.9%)	43 (21.7%)	11.6
	male applicants	1111 (75.1%)	155 (78.3%)	14.0
	total	1480	198	13.4

EMBO installation g	rantees	applications	awards	% success rate
2006	female applicants	28 (37.8%)	1 (10.0%)	3.6
	male applicants	46 (62.2%)	9 (90.0%)	19.6
	total	74	10	13.5
2007	female applicants	17 (37.8%)	3 (33.3%)	17.6
	male applicants	41 (62.2%)	6 (66.7%)	14.6
	total	58	9	15.5

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Multi-dimensional NMR in structural biology	C. Griesinger	IT-II Ciocco	3–8 August
Cell biology of host–pathogens interactions	J. Pizarro-Cerda	FR-Paris	18–29 August
Electron microscopy and stereology in cell biology	J. Nebesarova	CZ–Ceske Budejovice	20–29 August
Cryo-electron microscopy and 3-D image analysis	B. Böttcher	DE-Heidelberg	24–31 August
Protein expression, purification and crystallisation (PEPC-6)	J. Müller-Dieckmann	DE-Hamburg	1–9 September
Anatomy and embryology of the mouse	A. Marusic	HR–Zagreb	6–14 September
Transient kinetics methods applied to biological macromolecules	M. Geeves	UK-Canterbury	7–13 September
Ubiquitin and SUMO	F. Melchior	HR–Split	12–19 September

practical courses 2008 Europe (EMBC) <i>cont.</i>	X-ray crystal structure determination of macromolecules	R. Meijers	FR-Saint Aubin	14–20 September
	Computational aspects of the protein target selection, protein production management and structure analysis pipeline	K. Henrick	UK-Hinxton	22–26 September
	Differential proteomics: from 2-D gel electrophoresis to mass spectrometry	T. Franz	DE-Heidelberg	6–10 October
	Docking predictions of protein–protein interactions	J. Janin	ES-Barcelona	14–17 October
	Solution scattering from biological macromolecules	D. Svergun	DE-Hamburg	19–26 October
practical courses 2008 outside Europe	Advanced methods in reconstructing molecular phylogenetic relationships	M. Embley	BR-Rio de Janeiro	3–9 March
	Advanced course on bioinformatics and comparative genome analysis	F. Tekaia	BR-Florianopolis	30 June–12 July
	Computational biology: from genomes to cells and systems	P. Bork	SG-Singapore	10–17 August
	Structure determination of biological macromolecules by solution NMR	M. Sattler	CN-Beijing	8–15 September
	Genetics of laboratory rodents	M. Crispo	UY-Montevideo	24 November – 6 December
lecture courses 2008 outside Europe	Molecular and cellular basis of infection	I. Parker	ZA-Cape Town	1–9 March
	Recent developments in macromolecular crystallography	M. Weiss	IN-Pune	9–14 November
workshops 2008 Europe (EMBC)	Semaphorin function and mechanisms of action	A. Chedotal	FR-Cernay-La-Ville	8–11 May
	Cell and molecular biology of Chlamydomonas	M.Goldschmidt-Clermont	FR-Hyeres-les-Palmiers	27 May–1 June

workshops 2008 Europe (EMBC) <i>cont</i> .	Microbial diversity and metagenomics: science, technology, applications and regulatory affairs	C. Ouzounis	GR-Chalkidiki	21–24 June
	Gene transcription in yeast	M. Collart	ES–Sant Feliu de Guixols	21-26 June
	The nucleolus and disease	J. Hiscox	UK-Derby	23–25 June
	MHC Class I molecules at the interface between biology and medicine	F. Arosa	PT-Porto	4–6 July
	EMBO Members Workshop: Frontiers of Molecular Biology	H. Jacobs	FI-Tampere	5–8 September
	Cytotoxicity, cell death and the immune system	A. Anel	ES-Zaragoza	17–20 September
	Polo-like kinases: from the fly to the clinic 20 years onwards	C. Sunkel	PT-Porto	24–27 September
	Chromosome segregation: centromeres and kinetochores	R. Allshire	FR-Arcachon	27 September – 2 October
	Evolutionary and environmental genomics of yeasts	L. Steinmetz	DE-Heidelberg	1-5 October
	Can epigenetics influence reprogramming and metastatic progression?	U. Rapp	DE-Bad Staffelstein	6-9 October
	The NF-kappaB network in development and disease	MV. Ursini	IT-Capri	18–21 October
workshops 2008 butside Europe	Parental genomic imprinting	F. Berger	SG-Singapore	21–24 September
conference series 2008 Europe (EMBC)	Genomes 2008: Functional genomics of microorganisms	C. Buchrieser	FR-Paris	8–11 April
	Cellular signalling and molecular medicine	I. Đikić	HR-Dubrovnik	29 May-4 June
	Replication and segregation of chromosomes	E. Boye	NO-Geilo	16-20 June

conference series 2008	Centrosomes and spindle pole bodies	M. Knop	DE-Heidelberg	12–16 September
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	The molecular and cellular mechanisms regulating skeletal muscle development and regeneration	P. Munoz-Canoves	ES–Sant Feliu de Guixols	24–29 September
	From functional genomics to systems biology	E. Furlong	DE-Heidelberg	15–18 November
onference series 2008	Recombination mechanisms	M. Foiani	IT–II Ciocco	19–23 May
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	The molecular and developmental biology of <i>Drosophila</i>	T. Kaufman	GR-Crete	22-29 June
	At the joint edge of cellular microbiology and cell biology	G. van der Goot	CH-Villars-sur-Ollon	20–25 September
	Molecular and cellular basis of regeneration and tissue repair	E. Amaya	ES-Mallorca	5–10 October
bint MBO-ESF symposia 008	Molecular bioenergetics of cyanobacteria: towards systems biology level of understanding	EM. Aro	ES-Sant Feliu de Guixols	29 March–3 April
	Antiviral applications of RNA interference	J. Kurreck	ES-Sant Feliu de Guixols	5–10 April
	B cells 2008: complexity, integration & translation	J. Gordon	ES–Sant Feliu de Guixols	16-21 May
	Bacterial Networks (BACNET08)	M. Buttner	ES-Sant Feliu de Guixols	13–18 September
	Protein design and evolution for biocatalysis	J. Damborsky	ES–Sant Feliu de Guixols	25–30 October

membership	EMBO Members Workshop: Frontiers of Molecular Biology	H. Jacobs	FI-Tampere	5–8 September
fellowship programme	Fellows Meeting	J. Taplick A. Visser-de Matteïs	DE–Heidelberg (EMBL)	12–15 June
	US Fellows Meeting	J. Taplick L. Maidment	US-Boston	7–9 November
science & society programme	EMBO Media Workshop	A. Moore A. Bendiscioli	DE–Heidelberg (EMBL)	13 June
	Media Communication session at ESOF: Get proactive! – An interactive session on taking the initiative in public communication	A. Moore A. Bendiscioli	ES-Barcelona	18–22 July
	Media Communication session at ELSO: Who should sell science to the public?	A. Moore A. Bendiscioli	FR-Nice	2 September
	9th EMBL/EMBO joint conference on Science and Society: Systems and Synthetic Biology: Scientific and Social Implications	H. Stefánsson A. Moore A. Bendiscioli	DE–Heidelberg (EMBL)	7–8 November
young investigator programme	<i>Coaching –</i> EMBO Advanced leadership skills training	G. Wallon K. Krynauw	DE-Heidelberg	21–23 January
	EMBO Laboratory Management Course (for EMBO Fellows)	G. Wallon K. Krynauw	DE-Heidelberg	10–12 March
	EMBO Laboratory Management Course (open to all independent scientists)	G. Wallon K. Krynauw	DE-Heidelberg	1–4 April
	EMBO Laboratory Management Course (for EMBO Fellows)	G. Wallon K. Krynauw	DE-Heidelberg	26-28 May
	Conflict – EMBO Advanced leadership skills training	G. Wallon K. Krynauw	DE-Heidelberg	9–11 June

young investigator programme (cont.)	EMBO Laboratory Management Course (open to all independent scientists)	G. Wallon K. Krynauw	DE-Heidelberg	9–12 June
	Young Investigator Meeting	G. Wallon K. Krynauw	DE-Heidelberg	18–20 June
	<i>Time and self-management</i> – EMBO Advanced leadership skills training	G. Wallon K. Krynauw	DE-Heidelberg	16–18 July
	EMBO Laboratory Management Course (open to all independent scientists)	G. Wallon K. Krynauw	DE-Heidelberg	16–19 September
	Young Investigator PhD Course	G. Wallon K. Krynauw	DE-Heidelberg	21–28 September
	EMBO Laboratory Management Course (for EMBO Fellows)	G. Wallon K. Krynauw	DE-Heidelberg	7–9 October

The following organisations are represented by their acronyms throughout this report:

ABI	Adolf Butenandt Institute (Adolf-Butenandt-Institut), Munich, Germany	CBM-UAM	Centre of Molecular Biology, Autonomous University of Madrid
AMC-DEI	Amsterdam Medical Center		(Centro de Biología Molecular
ANG-DLI	Department of Experimental Immunology		Universidad Autónoma de Madrid)
	University of Amsterdam		Spain
	(Academisch Medisch Centrum	CEBIMAR	Center of Marine Bioactive Substances
	Universiteit van Amsterdam)	CEDIWAR	Havana, Cuba
	The Netherlands	CEA	Atomic Energy Commission
AMOLF	Institute for Atomic and Molecular Physics	OLA	(Commissariat à l'Energie Atomique)
INICLI	(Institute for Atoom- en Molecuulfysica)		Grenoble, France
	Amsterdam, The Netherlands	CERN	European Organization for Nuclear Research
BSRC	Biotechnology and Biological Sciences Research Council	GEINI	Geneva, Switzerland
000110	Swindon, UK	CIHR-IRCM	Canadian Institutes of Health Research
BIOTEC	Biotechnological Centre of the Dresden University of Technology		(l'Institut de recherches cliniques de Montréal)
JOILO	(Biotechnologisches Zentrum der Technischen Universität		Canada
	Dresden), Germany	CIML	Marseille Luminy Immunology Centre
M:BWK	Federal Ministry for Education, Science and Culture	OINE	(Centre d'Immunologie de Marseille Luminy)
	(Bundesministerium für Bildung, Wissenschaft und Kultur)		France
	Vienna, Austria	CMU	University of Geneva Medical Centre
BMBF	Federal Ministry of Education and Research	0.110	(Centre Médical Universitaire, Université de Genève)
	(Bundesministerium für Bildung und Forschung)		Switzerland
	Bonn, Germany	CNB	Spanish National Biotechnology Centre
3TI	Boyce Thompson Institute for Plant Research		(Centro Nacional de Biotecnologia)
	Ithaca, USA		Madrid, Spain
BUTE	Budapest University of Technology and Economics	CNCR	Center for Neurogenomics & Cognitive Research
	Budapest, Hungary		Amsterdam, The Netherlands
CABD	Developmental Biology Institute	CNIO	Spanish National Cancer Centre
	Seville, Spain		(Centro Nacional de Investigaciones Oncológicas)
CABIMER	Andalusian Molecular Biology and		Madrid, Spain
	Regenerative Medicine Centre	CNR-IBC	Italian National Research Centre
	(Centro Andaluz de Biología Molecular y		Institute of Cell Biology
	Medicina Regenerativa)		(Consiglio Nazionale delle Ricerche
	Seville, Spain		Istituto di Biologia Cellulare)
CBM	Center for Molecular Biology Severo Ochoa		Rome, Italy
	Madrid, Spain	CNRS	French National Center for Scientific Research
	·		(Centre national de la recherche scientifique)
			France

CNRS-CGM	Centre of Molecular Genetics
	(Centre de Génétique Moléculaire)
	Gif-sur-Yvette, France
CNRS-CRBM	Macromolecular Biochemistry Research Center
	(Centre de Recherche de Biochimie Macromoléculaire)
	Montpellier, France
CNRS-IGH	Institute of Human Genetics
	(Institut de Génétique Humaine)
	Montpellier, France
CRA	Center for Genomic Research
	Firenzuola d'Arca, Italy
CRG	Center for Genomic Regulation
	(Centre de Regulacio Genomica)
	Barcelona, Spain
CRU-CHL	Cancer Research UK, London Research Institute:
	Clare Hall Laboratories
	South Mimms, UK
CRU-LIFL	Cancer Research UK, London Research Institute:
	Lincoln's Inn Fields Laboratories
	London, UK
CRU-TBL	Cancer Research UK, London Research Institute:
	Telomeres Biology Laboratory
	London, UK
CSDC	Center for the Study of Complex Dynamics
	Florence. Italy
CSHL	Cold Spring Harbor Laboratory
	Cold Spring Harbor, USA
CSIC	Spanish National Research Council
	(Consejo Superior de Investigaciones Científicas)
	Spain
DBBM IOC-	Department of Biochemistry & Molecular Biology
FIOCRUZ	Oswaldo Cruz Institute
	Fiocruz, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil
DiBiT	Department of Biological & Technological Research,
	San Raffaele Science Institute
	Milan, Italy
DKBW	Dept. of Clinical Biological Research
	University of Basel
	(Dept. Klinisch-Biologische Wissenschaften
	Universität Basel)
	Switzerland

DKFZ	German Cancer Research Center
550140	Heidleberg, Germany
EEBMB	Hellenic Society for Biochemistry and Molecular Biology Patras. Greece
EED	European Society for Evolutionary Developmental Biology
LLD	Leiden, The Netherlands
ELSF	European Life Sciences Forum
	Heidelberg, Germany
ELSO	European Life Scientist Organization
	Sandhausen, Germany
EMBL	European Molecular Biology Laboratory
	(Europe-wide)
ERC	European Research Council
	Brussels, Belgium
ESF	European Science Foundation
	Strasburg, France
ETH	Swiss Federal Institute of Technology Zurich
	(Eidgenössische Technische Hochschule Zürich)
	Switzerland
ETH-IBC	Swiss Federal Institute of Technology Zurich
	Institute of Biochemistry
	(Eidgenössische Technische Hochschule Zürich)
	Switzerland
EU TMR	European Union's Research Training Networks –
	Training and Mobility of Researchers
	(Europe-wide)
FASEB	Federation of American Societies for Experimental Biology
	Bethesda, USA
FCT-DREBM	Foundation for Science & Technology
	Lisbon, Portugal
FEBS	Federation of European Biochemical Societies
	(Europe-wide)
FESPB	Federation of European Societies of Plant Biology
	Heraklion, Greece
FIRC	Italian Cancer Research Foundation
	(Fondazione Italiana per la Ricerca sul Cancro)
	Milan, Italy
FIUBA	Faculty of Engineering, University of Buenos Aires
	(Facultad de Ingenieria de la Universidad de Buenos Aires)
	Argentina

organisations and ACRONYMS

FMI	Friedrich Miescher Institute for Biomedical Research
	Basel, Switzerland
FU	Free University,
	Berlin, Germany
GRC	Gordon Research Conferences
	West Kingston, USA
GRICES	Office for International Relations in Science and
	Higher Education
	(Gabinete de Relações Internacionais da Ciência e do
	Ensino Superior)
	Lisbon, Portugal
GSF	National Research Center for Environment and Health
	(Forschungszentrum für Umwelt und Gesundheit)
	Neuherberg, Germany
HFSP	Human Frontier Science Program
	Strasburg, France
HHMI	Howard Hughes Medical Institute
	USA
HINARI	Health InterNetwork Access to Research Initiative
	World Health Organization
	Geneva, Switzerland
IAPTC&B	International Association for
	Plant Tissue Culture and Biotechnology
	Beijing, China
IBB-PAS	Institute of Biochemistry and Biophysics
	Polish Academy of Sciences
	Warsaw, Poland
IBCMIP	Cellular and Molecular Immunobiology of Infectious Parasites
	Pierre and Marie Curie University
	(Immuno-Biologie Cellulaire et Moléculaire des
	Infections Parasitaires, Université Pierre et Marie Curie)
	Paris, France
IBDM	Developmental Biology Institute of Marseille
	(Institut de Biologie du développement de Marseille)
	France
IBMC	Institute for Molecular and Cell Biology
	(Institut de Biologie Moléculaire et Cellulaire)
	Strasburg, France
IBMP	Institute of Plant Molecular Biology
	(Institut de Biologie Moléculaire des Plantes)
	Strasburg, France

IBPC	Institute of Biology and Physical Chemistry
	(Institut de Biologie Physico-Chimique)
	Paris, France
ICGEB	International Centre for Genetic Engineering and Biotechnology Trieste, Italy
ICL-DMB	Imperial College of London, Division of Molecular Biosciences London, UK
ICT	Institute of Chemical Technology Prague
	(Vysoká Škola Chemicko-Technologická v Praze)
	Prague, Czech Republic
IEO	European Institute of Oncology (Istituto Europeo di Oncologia), Milan, Italy
IFOM	FIRC Institute of Molecular Oncology
	(Istituto FIRC di oncologia molecolare)
	Milan, Italy
IGB	Instiute of Genetics Research, CNR
	Naples, Italy
IGBMC	Institute of Genetics and Molecular and Cellular Biology
	(Institut de Génétique et de Biologie Moléculaire et Cellulaire)
	Illkirch, France
IGUC-DCG	Institute for Genetics of the University of Cologne
	Department of Cell Genetics
	Cologne, Germany
IHEM-	Institute of Histology and Embryology
CONICET	Argentinian Centre of Science and Technology
	(Instituto de Histología y Embriología
	El Centro Regional de Investigaciones Científicas y Tecnológicas) Mendoza, Argentina
IJM	Jacques Monod Institute
	(L'Institut Jacques-Monod)
	Paris, France
IMBA	Institute of Molecular Biotechnology of
	the Austrian Academy of Sciences
	(Institut für molekulare Biotechnologie
	der Österreichischen Akademie der Wissenschaften)
	Vienna, Austria
IMBB-FORTH	Institute of Molecular Biology & Biotechnology
	Heraklion, Greece
IMCB	Institute of Molecular and Cellular Biosciences
	The University of Tokyo
	Japan

IMCR	Institute of Molecular Cancer Research	ISIS-ULP	Institute of Supermolecular Science and Engineering
	University of Zurich		Louis Pasteur University
	Switzerland		(Institut de Science et d'Ingénierie Supramoléculaires,
IMG	Institute of Microbiology and Genetics		Université Louis Pasteur)
	Technical University of Darmstadt		Strasburg, France
	(Institut für Mikrobiologie und Genetik	ISME	International Society for Microbial Ecology
	Technische Universität Darmstadt)		Vienna, Austria
	Germany	ISPMB	International Society for Plant Molecular Biology
IMG	Institute of Molecular Genetics		Athens, USA
	(Ústav molekulární genetiky AV CR)	ISREC	Swiss Institute for Experiemental Cancer Research
	Prague, Czech Republic		Epalinges, Switzerland
IMM	Molecular Medicine Institute	ISV	Plant Science Institute
	(Instituto de Medicina Molecular)		(Institut des Sciences du Végétal – UPR 2355)
	Lisbon, Portugal		Gif-sur-Yvette, France
IMP	Research Institute of Molecular Pathology	IWR	Interdisciplinary Center for Scientific Computing of
	(Forschungsinstitut für Molekulare Pathologie)		the Ruprecht Karls University of Heidelberg
	Vienna, Austria		(Interdisziplinäres Zentrum für Wissenschaftliches Rechnen
IMT	Institute for Molecular Biology and Tumour Research		der Ruprecht-Karls-Universität Heidelberg)
	Philipps University (Institut für Molekularbiologie und	KTH	Germany
	Tumorforschung, Philipps-Universität Marburg)		Royal Institute of Technology
	Germany		(Kungliga Tekniska högskolan)
InCoB	International Conference in Bioinformatics		Stockholm, Sweden
	Department of Biotechnology, Government of India	LBI-CR	Ludwig Boltzmann Institute for Cancer Research
	New Delhi, India		(Ludwig Boltzmann Institut für Krebsforschung)
INSERM	French National Institute for Health and Medical Research		Vienna, Austria
	(Institut national de la santé et de la recherche médicale)	LBMMS	Laboratory for Biological and Medical Mass Spectrometry
	France		Uppsala, Sweden
IPBO	Plant Biotechnology Institute for Developing Countries	LCGTI	The Lautenberg Center for General and Tumour Immunology
	Gent University		The Hebrew University
	(Instituut voor Plantenbiotechnologie voor Ontwikkelingslanden)		Hadassah Medical School
	Gent, Belgium		Jerusalem, Israel
IRCC	Institute for Cancer Research and Treatment	LICR	Ludwig Institute for Cancer Research
	Torino, Italy		(international)
IRIBHM	Institute of Interdisciplinary Research in	LMU	Ludwig Maximilian University
	Human and Molecular Biology		(Ludwig-Maximilians-Universität)
	Brussels, Belgium		Munich, Germany
ISE	Initiative for Science in Europe	LNCIB	National Laboratory, Interuniversity of Biotechnology
	Heidelberg, Germany		(Laboratorio Nazionale, Consorzio Interuniversitario
			Biotecnologie)
			Trieste, Italy

organisations and ACRONYMS

LPCMP	Laboratory of Cellular and Molecular Plant Physiology (Laboratoire de Physiologie Cellulaire et	NIMR	National Institute for Medical Research London, United Kingdom
	Moléculaire des Plantes)	NIOB	Netherlands Institute for Developmental Biology –
	Ivry-sur-Seine, France	NIUD	The Hubrecht Laboratory
I RI	Cancer Research UK, London Research Institute	-	(Nederlands Insituut voor Ontwikkeling Biologie –
LKI	London, UK		Het Hubrecht Laboratorium)
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LSKC-SCBC1	Lund Strategic Research Center for		Utrecht, The Netherlands
	Stem Cell Biology and Cell Therapy	NKI-AVL	The Netherlands Cancer Institute –
	Lund, Sweden	-	Antoni van Leeuwenhoek Hospital
LU-DCMP	Division for Cellular and Molecular Pharmacology		(Het Nederlands Kanker Instituut –
	Department of Experimental Medical Science		Antoni van Leeuwenhoek Ziekenhuis)
	Lund University		Amsterdam, The Netherlands
	(Cellulär och molekylär farmakologi	NLGB	National Laboratory of Genomics for Biodiversity
	Lunds Universitet)		Center for Research and Advanced Studies of
	Lund, Sweden	_	the National Polytechnic Institute
LVMS	Laboratory of molecular and structural virology		Irapuato, Mexico
	(Laboratoire de virologie moleculaire et structurale)	NPG	Nature Publishing Group
	Gif-sur-Yvette, France		London, UK
MEC	Ministry of Education and Science	NPHI	National Public Health Institute
	(Ministerio de Educación y Ciencia)		Helsinki, Finland
	Madrid, Spain	PICR	Paterson Institute for Cancer Research
MIT	Massachusetts Institute of Technology		Manchester, UK
	Cambridge, USA	SBC	Stockholm Bioinformatics Center
MPI	Max Planck Institute (Max-Planck-Institut)	-	Stockholm University
	Germany		Stockholm, Sweden
MPI-CBG	Max Planck Institute of Molecular Cell Biology and Genetics	SIBS-HHMI	Salk Institute for Biological Studies,
	(Max-Planck-Institut für molekulare Zellbiologie und Genetik)		Howard Hughes Medical Institute
	Dresden, Germany		La Jolla, USA
MRC	Medical Research Council	SNF	Swiss National Science Foundation
	United Kingdom		(Schweizerische Nationalfonds)
MRC-LMB	Medical Research Council Laboratory of Molecular Biology	-	Bern, Switzerland
	Cambridge, UK	TIGEM	Telethon Institute of Genetics & Medicine
MSSM	Mount Sinai School of Medicine		Naples, Italy
	New York, USA	UAB-DBMB	Autonomous University of Barcelona
MTA	Hungarian Academy of Sciences		Department of Biochemistry and Molecular Biology
	(Magyar Tudományos Akadémia)		(Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona)
	Budapest, Hungary		Bellaterra, Spain
NCMLS	Nijmegen Centre for Molecular Life Sciences	UCB	University of California
INCIVILU	Nijmegen, The Netherlands	000	Berkeley, USA
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UCLA	University of California Los Angeles	VIB	Flanders Interuniversity Institute for Biotechnology
	USA	_	(Vlaams Interuniversitair Instituut voor Biotechnologie)
UCSF	University of California		Ghent, Belgium
	San Francisco, USA	WEHI	The Walter and Eliza Hall Institute of Medical Research
UG-FM	University of Geneva, Faculty of Medicine		Melbourne, Australia
	Geneva, Switzerland	WHO	World Health Organization
UHIB	University of Helsinki, Institute of Biotechnology		Geneva, Switzerland
	(Helsingin Yliopisto, Biotekniikan instituutti)	WIMM	The Weatherall Institute of Molecular Medicine
	Helsinki, Finland	_	University of Oxford
UMC	University Medical Center Utrecht		John Radcliffe Hospital
	The Netherlands		Oxford, UK
UMC	Radboud University Medical Centre	WMCCU	Weill Medical College of Cornell University
St Radboud	(UMC St Radboud)		Ithaca, USA
	Nijmegen, The Netherlands	WTCCB	Wellcome Trust Centre for Cell Biology
UMC-DEO	University Medical Center Utrecht	-	University of Edinburgh, UK
	Division of Experimental Oncology	WWU	Westphalian Wilhelm University
	Institute for Developmental Biology and Oncology		Institute for Zoology
	Utrecht, The Netherlands		(Westfalischen-Wilhelms Universität
UNIL	University of Lausanne	-	Institut für Zoologie)
	(Université de Lausanne)		Muenster, Germany
	Switzerland	ZMBH	Centre for Molecular Biology
UNIL-CIG	University of Lausanne	-	University of Heidelberg (Zentrum für Molekulare Biologie der Universität Heidelberg
	Center for Integrative Genomics		
	(Université de Lausanne		Germany
	Faculté de biologie et de médicine)	ZMBP	Center for Plant Molecular Biology
	Lausanne, Switzerland		University of Tuebingen
UO-UL	University of Lausanne	-	(Zentrum für Molekularbiologie der Pflanzen
	(Unité d'Oculogénétique		Universität Tübingen)
	Université de Lausanne)		Germany
	Switzerland		conneny
UoD-	University of Dundee	-	
DBCMM	Division of Biological Chemistry and Molecular Microbiology		
55000	Dundee, UK		
UPMC	Pierre and Marie Curie University	-	
011110	(Université Pierre et Marie Curie)		
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