

Announcement

China–France Medicine Symposium 2005: *Cell and tissue therapy / From engineering to patients*

6–8 June 2005, Wuhan, China

Introduction

Tissue engineering/regenerative medicine is an emerging multidisciplinary field involving biology, medicine, and engineering that is likely to revolutionize the ways we improve the health and quality of life by restoring, maintaining or enhancing tissue and organ function. In addition to having a therapeutic application where the tissue is either grown in a patient or outside the patient and transplanted, tissue engineering can have diagnostic applications where the tissue is harvested *in vitro* and used for testing drug metabolism and uptake, toxicity and pathogenicity. The foundation of tissue engineering/regenerative medicine for either therapeutic or diagnostic applications is the ability to exploit living cells in a variety of ways. Tissue engineering research includes the following areas: cells, biomaterials, biomolecules, engineering design aspects, biomechanical aspects of design and clinical application.

China–France Medicine Symposium, which belongs to the activities of “the cultural years China–France”, is sponsored by Department of Life Sciences, National Natural Science Foundation of China and Ministry of Research of France, organized by school of Medicine, Wuhan University (China) and Faculty of Medicine Henri Poincaré University-Nancy I (France). The objective of the symposium is to aggregate the researchers of China, France and other country in the fields of cell and tissue engineering and biotherapy, providing a global overview of the present status, promoting the exchange of information on recent development in these fields, and seeking the possible co-operation among all the researching groups.

Conference themes

1. Cells and Biomolecules
2. Biomaterials–Biotissues
3. Engineering Design and Bioreactor
4. Biomechanic and Mechanobiology of Cells and Tissues
5. Clinical Application of Tissue Engineering
6. Cell and Tissue Therapies

Submission of abstracts

Only electronic submission will be accepted. All the abstracts must be organized according to the format provided by the committee and sent to the secretariat by:

1. E-mail: secretariat@cfms2005.org
2. Or website: <http://www.cfms2005.org>
3. Or a 3.5-inche floppy diskette courier to secretariat (Dr. Baohua Wang)

The program will include invited key-note speakers, oral and poster presentations.

The entire abstract should be in English and must be organized according to the abstract example and forms provided by the organizing committee.

We also recommend you download the abstracts form and registration form from the website: <http://www.cfms2005.org> and email the completed forms to the secretariat@cfms2005.org, or you can also submit the abstract and register to the conference directly on our website.

Registration information

All participants must pay registration fees:

	Before March 31, 2005	After March 31, 2005
Regular participant	\$ 200.00	\$ 250.00
Student	\$ 150.00	\$ 200.00

The registration fee will cover registration package, attendance at all meeting sessions, welcome reception, all dinners and banquets, lunches & tea breaks, Wuhan City Tour. The registration fees will not include the accommodation.