Mark Your Calendar for Important Upcoming Dates: Mucosal Immunology Course & Symposium (MICS 2016)

Join us for the inaugural Mucosal Immunology Course & Symposium Meeting, to be held July 26-29, 2016, at the Westin Harbour Castle Hotel in Toronto, Canada. The meeting content will center on how the mucosal microbiota influences immune responses. The theme for the meeting is Microbiota and Mucosal Immunity: Rules of Engagement in Health and Disease.

The event will commence with a one-day course on July 26, aimed mainly at trainees. The course is based on the Principles of Mucosal Immunology textbook and taught by a faculty team led by Dr. Phillip Smith, one of the textbook editors. A two and a half day interactive symposium will follow, featuring fresh session formats for scientific talks and electronic poster sessions, alongside more traditional presentation formats.
SAVE THE DATE
July 19-22, 2017
Renaissance Hotel, Washington, D.C., United States

ICMI
18th International Congress of Mucosal Immunology
2017
July 19-22, 2017 • Washington D.C.

Member Spotlight
SMI’s Immediate Past President Ken Beagley, has recently been recognized by media outlets for his research on male koalas. This work is a collaboration between Dr. Beagley and Professor Steve Johnston at the University of Queensland. Dr. Beagley briefly explains their research, “We have found that male koalas, as many as 70% in our area, have Chlamydia infections of the testis and male reproductive tract and these infections adversely impact spermatogenesis, causing DNA damage to sperm that may impair male fertility. We are starting a vaccination program of male koalas to see if we can reverse the damage caused by Chlamydia infection in males and enhance fertility in wild koala populations.”

Learn more about Dr. Beagley and Professor Johnston’s research via the links below:
The Telegraph
Skynews
Medical Xpress
SBS
HealthCanal
The University of Queensland News
Yahoo 7 News
The Advertiser
The Cairns Post
news.com.au
The Australian
The Courier Mail
Herald Sun
NT News
Perth Now
9 News

MARK YOUR CALENDAR FOR IMPORTANT UPCOMING MICS DATES:

- Registration, Housing, & Abstract Submission Open: December 1, 2015
- Abstract Submission Closes: February 11, 2016
- Late Breaking Abstract Submission Opens: March 16, 2016
- Late Breaking Abstract Submission Closes: April 15, 2016
- Advance Registration and Registration Cancellation Deadline: May 13, 2016
- MICS 2016, Westin Harbour Castle, Toronto, Canada: July 26-29, 2016
SMI Announces a New Category of Membership for Scientists from Developing Countries

SMI recognizes its responsibility to the worldwide community of mucosal immunologists, and seeks the participation and input of scientists from developing countries. SMI welcomes scientists from these regions as members with reduced dues. To join, please click here. Spread the word and help us grow SMI to be a truly global organization.

Featured Papers of the Month


Join a Worldwide Network of Mucosal Immunologists

Not a member of SMI? SMI membership benefits include:

- *Mucosal Immunology* - now featuring 7.374 Impact Factor
- Members directory to collaborate with colleagues
- Free job postings on SMI career center
- Access to interactive protocols
- Leadership opportunities
- Reduced registration to SMI events
- Reduced page and color charges when submitting papers to the *Mucosal Immunology* journal

Click here to join.

Did You Know...

SMI members receive reduced page and color charges on paper submissions to *Mucosal Immunology*?

Thank you to the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation

SMI extends special thanks to the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation for their support of 22 scientists from developing countries to attend ICMI 2015.

SMI gratefully acknowledges ICMI 2015 Sponsors

Upcoming Muculent Meetings:

For more information, visit the Muculent Meetings page on the SMI website.

**IMMUNOCOLOMBIA2015**
October 13-16, 2015
Medellin, Colombia

**44th Annual Meeting of the Japanese Society for Immunology**
November 18-20, 2015
Sapporo, Japan

**AAI 2016**
May 13-17, 2016
Seattle, Washington, USA

**FOCIS 2016**
June 22-25, 2016
Boston, Massachusetts, USA

**MICS 2016**
July 26-29, 2016
Toronto, Canada

**10th European Mucosal Immunology Group Meeting**
October, 2016
Copenhagen, Denmark

**AAI 2017**
May 12-16, 2017
Washington D.C., USA

**ICMI 2017**
July 19-22, 2017
Washington D.C., USA

**AAI 2018**
May 4-8, 2018
Austin, Texas, USA