Dear student,

Are you conducting biomedical research and are you interested in presenting your work on an international stage? Or are you simply interested in learning about the latest biomedical research?

*The International Student Congress of (bio)Medical Sciences – ISCOMS* - is one of the world’s biggest (bio)medical student congresses and it takes place annually in Groningen, the Netherlands. It is a venue for student research exchange aimed at undergraduate, graduate and postgraduate students in the fields of medicine, dentistry, pharmacy, human movement sciences, biomedical sciences and so on! Last year we hosted 592 participants from 50 countries. This year the congress will take place from the 2nd till the 5th of June 2015.

Students can visit the congress as both presenting and non-presenting participants. ISCOMS offers a scientific programme with a pre-course on mastering your research, student presentation sessions (plenary, oral & poster), engaging workshops and a live-surgical operation. Presenting students also stand a chance to win the first prize of €1500! You can also gather information on working and doing research in Europe with our networking lunch where you can integrate with companies interested in recruiting international students and PhD opportunities with our ISCOMS Research Fellowships (IRF).

We present three keynote speakers: doctor Carl Figdor who programmed immune cells to attack cancer cells, Chad Bouton who helped a man to move his paralyzed hand by using his thoughts, and Nobel Laureate in Chemistry professor Martin Chalfie, who discovered the Green Fluorescent Protein (GFP)! We’ll also feature an exciting social program, including a formal dinner and a post-congress tour.

**CALL FOR ABSTRACTS**

If you are interested in presenting your research at ISCOMS, submit your abstract NOW! The abstract submission will be opened until the 13th of February 2015. Each student is allowed to submit up to 3 abstracts. Abstracts can be submitted at [www.iscoms.com](http://www.iscoms.com).

For more information or if you have any questions, please visit our website: [www.iscoms.com](http://www.iscoms.com) and Facebook page: [http://facebook.com/iscoms](http://facebook.com/iscoms). Do also feel free to contact us at [iscoms@umcg.nl](mailto:iscoms@umcg.nl).

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