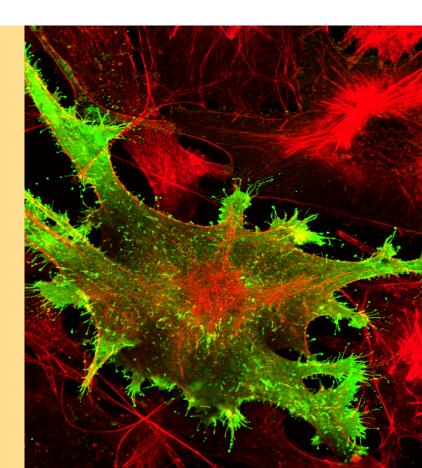




Call for Abstracts

"Pathophysiology of the extracellular matrix - basic concepts and therapeutic approaches for cancer therapy"



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Call for Abstracts in Oncology

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Extracellular matrix (ECM) plays a pivotal role in many processes during development, tissue homeostasis and remodeling. The pathophysiology of the ECM is considered as a promising area with anticipated impact on targeted cancer drug delivery and cancer immuno-therapy.

For the 3rd pRED Oncology Award the Roche pRED Discovery Oncology unit in Penzberg invites authors to submit abstracts which describe their scientific work in the fields of basic mechanisms and the pathophysiology of the extracellular matrix.

Topics include but are not restricted to the impact of ECM on:

immune cell function, migration of immune effector cells, interstitial pressure within the tumor mass, accessibilty and penetration of solid tumors by therapeutic antibodies and small molecules, metastasis formation, angiogenesis, adhesion and anoikis, tumor-specific targeting.

Qualified applicants include graduate students and postdoctoral fellows in Europe. Abstracts will be reviewed by a panel of experts from Roche and academic institutions and selected for presentation and awards on the basis of scientific merit. The ten best contributions will be elected and the authors will be invited to the Roche Penzberg campus for presentation and poster discussion on October 29 and 30, 2015. Thereafter, three winners will be selected and receive an award of $4.000 \in 2.000 \in and 1.000 \in$ respectively. The deadline for abstract submission is August 15, 2015. For submission guidelines and additional information, please visit www.roche.de/oncologyaward.

