In association with the European Calcified Tissue Society

Announcement and Call for Abstracts

Abstract deadline: 6 February 2015
Early bird registration deadline: 3 April 2015
Invitation!

Dear Colleagues

It is our pleasure to invite you to the 7th International Conference on Children’s Bone Health, to be held 27-30 June 2015 in the beautiful Austrian city of Salzburg.

This Conference will bring together scientists and clinicians from a wide range of disciplines to gain a better understanding of the growing skeleton in health and disease. The scope ranges from basic molecular mechanisms to clinical aspects, from bone physiopathology to treatment. We invite anyone with an interest in bone metabolism and bone mass in children, adolescents and young adults to attend. The 2013 meeting held in Rotterdam was attended by over 300 delegates from over 45 countries, making it truly multinational and multidisciplinary - a unique networking opportunity.

The scientific programme is designed to present researchers, physicians, and allied health professionals with the newest research, with sessions including plenary lectures by world-leading experts, symposia, workshops, meet the expert sessions, oral communications and poster sessions.

The Conference will offer investigators from around the world an opportunity to meet with each other and with industry representatives. There will be plenty of opportunity for discussion both in and outside the lecture theatre and we actively encourage you to submit your abstracts for oral and poster presentation. Our priority is to maximise the time available for presentation of submitted abstracts.

We are proud to hold this conference in one of the most beautiful cities of Europe. Famous as the birthplace of Mozart, Salzburg is well known for its romantic scenery and rich cultural heritage. Situated in Central Europe, the city is easily accessible from every corner of the globe through the major European transportation hubs. The conference will be held in the Salzburg Congress Center, a versatile, modern and spacious venue, perfect in size and location for ICCBH.

ICCBH is your opportunity to hear about and discuss the newest developments in our understanding of paediatric bone health. Come and participate in a lively interactive meeting with the leaders in the field!

We look forward to seeing you in Salzburg in June 2015.

Wolfgang Högler
CONFERENCE CHAIRMAN
Scientific Programme

The aim of this Conference is to bring together scientists and clinicians from a wide range of disciplines and from across the globe to gain a better understanding of the growing skeleton in health and disease. The scope ranges from basic molecular mechanisms to clinical aspects, from bone physiopathology to treatment. Attendees will have an interest in rare and inherited bone disorders, general aspects of bone metabolism and bone mass in children, adolescents and young adults.

SYMPOSIA TO INCLUDE:

- What are bones made of?
- Novel bone assessment tools:
  1. The organ level
  2. The tissue level
- Monogenic forms of osteoporosis
- Advances in orthopaedic surgery
- New drug targets
- Skeletal dysplasia
- Sclerosing bone disorders
- Managing secondary osteoporosis
- Muscle-bone relationship in health and disease

In addition, there will be a number of Meet the Expert, Networking and Satellite sessions.

Key topics

TOPICS ARE EXPECTED TO INCLUDE:
- Bone development
- Bone fragility and metabolism
- New bone diagnostics
- Epidemiology
- Bone health in chronic and rare diseases
- Novel drug targets and medical therapies
- Nutrition and rickets
- Physical activity

Abstracts on these and other topics are invited. There will be plenty of time on the programme for oral communications from the submitted abstracts, and for dedicated poster viewing sessions, and we encourage you to submit your work.

Learning Objectives

On completion of the conference programme, the participant will enhance their understanding of a contemporary approach to clinical and basic paediatric bone science as related to:

- Inherited and acquired bone disorders
- Effects of chronic illness on muscle and bone
- Bone therapeutics
- Bone diagnostics
- Bone signalling and metabolism
**NETWOR KING EVENTS**

**SATURDAY 27 JUNE, 19:00-20:00**  
Welcome Reception & Chamber Concert  
*at Salzburg Residenz Palace*

Welcome to Salzburg! A chance to catch up with colleagues in the magnificent historic home of the Salzburg Bishops in the heart of the Old Town.

*Included in the registration fee – please check the box on the registration form to book your ticket.*

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**MONDAY 29 JUNE, 20:00-23:00**  
Conference Dinner  
*at the Restaurant Stieglkeller*

Enjoy typical Austrian hospitality and stunning views over the rooftops of Salzburg.

*Included in the registration fee – please check the box on the registration form to book your ticket.*

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**Call for abstracts and clinical cases**

Abstracts and clinical cases on the themes of the conference are invited. No fees are charged for abstract submission. Please use the on-line form accessible on the meeting website at www.iccbh.org.

Submitted abstracts will be selected for oral and poster presentation and authors will be notified in March 2015.

The final programme will be available on the conference website from March 2015.

**Deadline for abstracts and clinical cases:** Friday 6 February 2015.

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The Rotterdam meeting in 2013 was attended by over 300 delegates from 45 countries. Some comments from attendees:

“This conference was amazing, both in terms of speakers and organisation”

“One of the friendliest and best organised conferences I have ever attended”

“I spent four wonderful, inspiring, exciting days”

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**Continuing Medical Education (CME)**

Accreditation will be sought from the European Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education (EACCME). EACCME credits are recognised by the American Medical Association.

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**WHO SHOULD ATTEND?**

Attendees are expected to include:

- Clinical Researchers
- Basic Scientists
- Paediatricians
- Endocrinologists
- Rheumatologists
- Nephrologists
- Haematologists
- Gastroenterologists
- Neurologists
- Oncologists
- Orthopaedic Surgeons
- Urologists
- Nutritionists
- Industry Representatives
- Nurses
- Radiologists

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**AWARDS**

A number of New Investigator Awards will be given to eligible authors, including:

- Travel Awards
- Best Oral
- Best Poster

Please indicate on the abstract form if you are eligible and would like to be considered for one of these prizes.
Internationally famous as the birthplace of Mozart, the beautiful city of Salzburg lies within the mountains of Austria close to the border with Germany. Salzburg’s old town is one of the best-preserved city centres in Europe and is deservedly listed as a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Its compact size and ease of access make it a perfect conference destination.

Accommodation
There is a wide variety of hotel accommodation available in Salzburg within a short walking distance of the Salzburg Congress Center.

A number of hotels offer a discount for delegates attending the meeting. There is a list and map showing hotel locations and prices on the conference website.

Travel information
Because of its central location in mainland Europe, Salzburg can be reached easily by air, train or car.

By plane
Salzburg's W A Mozart Airport is on the outskirts of the city – only four kilometers from the city centre. There are direct flights from many European cities, including Berlin, Düsseldorf, Hannover, Hamburg, Cologne/Bonn, Frankfurt, Leipzig-Halle, Amsterdam, Vienna, Paris, London, Manchester, Stockholm, and Zurich. Travellers from outside Europe will find transfers through Düsseldorf, Frankfurt, Vienna, Istanbul and other European hubs.

There are also regular train services from Munich and Vienna airports.

By train
The Salzburg Congress Center is a 10 minute walk from the main railway station, which has connections from across Europe.

By car
The city is easily accessible by car, and is connected by motorway with Vienna and Munich.

Registration
Registration is on-line at www.iccbh.org

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*Reduced fee can be paid by students, Junior Post Docs (within 3 years of PhD or equivalent), residents, fellows, and allied health professionals.

Included in the registration fee (delegates):
- Attendance at all scientific sessions and commercial exhibition
- Programme
- All refreshment breaks, including lunch
- Welcome Reception and Chamber Concert
- Conference Dinner

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EXHIBITION AND SPONSORSHIP
Exhibition and sponsorship opportunities are available. Please contact the Secretariat for further information.
Dates to remember

8 September 2014  Abstract submission opens
8 September 2014  Registration opens
6 February 2015  Deadline for abstracts
6 March 2015  Confirmation to authors
3 April 2015  Deadline for early registration
10 April 2015  Late breaking abstract submission opens
1 May 2015  Deadline for late breaking abstracts
5 June 2015  Deadline for standard registrations (on-site fee only from this date)

Meeting organisation
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