SUMMER SCHOOL “PADUA LYMPHATIC FORUM” (16th-20th SEPTEMBER 2024)

- APPLICATIONS ARE OPEN! -

“Padua Lymphatic Forum” Summer School is a unique international event, focused on a commonly neglected part of the vasculature: the Lymphatic System. Recent advances in our understanding of lymphatics in health and disease have opened up exciting new research avenues and therapeutic opportunities in diverse disease settings.

The school program brings together a diverse range of esteemed speakers and discussion leaders from Padua and from many institutions and organizations worldwide. During the 5 days, all themed around different topics, these experts will discuss the state-of-the-art and latest advances in this evolving field, covering aspects of vascular and mechano-biology; lymphatic pathophysiology in cardiovascular-metabolic, renal, lung and CNS disease; inflammation; clinical diagnosis management of lymphatic disorders; genetics; point-of-care, advanced and interventional imaging; optimal physical, medical and surgical/interventional, as well as novel and upcoming, therapeutics; research opportunities and models of disease. The program was designed to facilitate interdisciplinary exchange across all these topics, and out-of-the-box thinking, accordingly.

Many lectures and scientific contributions will be delivered by scientists and clinicians joining us in-person in Padua, thus facilitating interaction with the students. In addition to premier lectures, the 18 selected participants will attend practical workshops spanning bench-to-bedside approaches to lymphatic vessels, will have designated free time for networking and will be involved in informal social and cultural events, all meant to generate opportunities for professional development.

Not only will Padua offer an ideal scientific milieu, thanks to centennial historical tradition, recently established clinical and educational programs in lymphedema, world-leading imaging technology, internationally renowned expertise and scientific attractiveness, but also the atmosphere of a city that has recently been included in the UNESCO World Heritage List. The selected students will enjoy a unique late-summer time in Padua. For those coming from Institutions other than Padua, we have already reserved 8 rooms at no cost for the entire week, offered on a competitive basis.

The “PADUA LYMPHATIC FORUM” Summer School is hosted by the Department of Medicine (DIMED), University of Padua, with contributions from partner Departments, including Dept. of Neurosciences (DNS); of Cardiac, Thoracic, Vascular Sciences and Public Health (DSCTV); of Information Engineering (DEI); of Molecular Medicine (DMM).

The Summer School is open to Master Students in Biomedical disciplines, Medical Residents and first year PhD Students enrolled at UNIPD, including exchange/visiting students, or enrolled at other Universities. Applications from candidates with different profiles may be considered on a case-by-case basis. Potential applicants are requested to submit a (maximum) one-page letter (A4, font 12) to plf.summerschool.dimed@unipd.it, presenting relevant academic background, previous international or other relevant experience(s), motivation for attendance and expectations from the course by Sunday 21st July. A dedicated panel will review the applications and inform by July 27th the selected participants, for whom participation will be at no cost (excluding travel to Padua).
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