

# PROGRAM MARCH 19–25, 2011

The European Hematology Association (EHA) and the American Society of Hematology (ASH) Translational Research Training in Hematology (TRTH) program is a three-part, year-long education and mentoring program that prepares hematologists for highly productive careers in translational research.

Twenty early-career scientists will be selected to participate in this rigorous training course. The faculty is made up of international leaders in hematology who will cover the areas of biostatistics and biomarkers, genetics and molecular biology, ethics, and phase I clinical study design. This unique program provides multiple opportunities for networking and mentoring through personalized instruction in the skills required for a successful translational research career in hematology.

## Spring course

The program begins with an intensive week-long course held in Europe from March 19–25, 2011. In the mornings, didactic and interactive sessions are dedicated to furthering participants' understanding of translational research methodology and regulatory requirements. Afternoons are devoted to small group sessions in which participants meet with their workshop mentors to refine their individual research proposals. Informal presentations by leaders in hematology research, designed to illustrate the variety of pathways to a successful translational research career in hematology, take place in the evenings.

## Follow-up meetings

Two follow-up meetings provide additional opportunities for interaction with peers and mentors. The first takes place during the EHA annual congress in June, where trainees and faculty will continue to refine projects through small group mentoring sessions. The final session is held in conjunction with the ASH annual meeting in December. In this session the trainees will present updates on the progress of their projects and careers since the conclusion of the spring course.

## Target Group

TRTH is geared toward postdoctoral medical, biomedical and pharmaceutical translational scientists who are at an early stage of their career. Applicants should have less than 12 years of post MD training or less than 8 years of post-PhD training. Applicants must be an active member of EHA and/or ASH.

## Translational Research

The focus of the program is on laboratory-based translational research. The proposals must be hypothesis driven and directly connected to some aspect of human biology. Projects may encompass any form of cellular, molecular, structural, biochemical, genetic, or other appropriate experimental approach using human biological material or human subjects with the aim of reaching novel insights into human biology. Pilot and early phase clinical studies translating the laboratory discoveries "to the bedside" may be included in the proposal; however, pure clinical trial projects with laboratory correlatives will not be prioritized.

## How to apply

**Step 1:** A letter of intent must be submitted. The template of this letter is available at the Awards section of the EHA website [www.ehaweb.org](http://www.ehaweb.org).

**Step 2:** A comprehensive translational research project proposal relevant to hematology must be submitted according to the guidelines presented at the Awards section of the EHA website [www.ehaweb.org](http://www.ehaweb.org).

There is no registration or application fee. By applying to the TRTH program, applicants agree that they will participate in all three sessions and respond to follow-up surveys in the future. In addition they agree to sign a confidentiality statement with respect to all information provided at the program.

Detailed information on how to apply is available on the EHA and ASH websites. All applications must be submitted electronically using the form in the Career Development section of the EHA website [www.ehaweb.org](http://www.ehaweb.org). Please send completed applications to [training@ehaweb.org](mailto:training@ehaweb.org).

A study section will review all eligible applications.

## Important dates

The deadline for the letter of intent is

**September 1, 2010**

The deadline for the application, project proposal and all relevant materials is

**October 1, 2010**

Awardees will be notified by

**December 1, 2010.**

## Questions

For more information, please contact the EHA Executive Office at [training@ehaweb.org](mailto:training@ehaweb.org) or by telephone: +31 (0)70 3020 099



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