Dear student,

Are you conducting (bio)medical research and are you interested in presenting your work on an international platform? Or are you simply interested in learning about the latest (bio)medical research?

The International Student Congress Of (bio)Medical Sciences (ISCOMS) is the world’s leading student congress in the field of (bio)medical sciences. ISCOMS is Europe’s largest biomedical student congress and attracts more participants each year. Last year we received 664 abstracts from students from 66 different countries.

This year, the 29th edition will take place **from the 8th until the 10th of June 2022**.

Students can visit the congress both as presenting and non-presenting participant. ISCOMS offers a scientific programme with a pre-course on mastering your research and three congress days in which student presentation sessions (plenary, oral, and poster), interactive workshops, a patient lecture and a surgical operation will take place. Furthermore, during the congress you can attend keynote lectures including Nobel prize laureate 2011, **prof. Bruce Beutler MD**, as well as **prof. Jeffrey Friedman MD PhD**, **prof.** **Karl Diesseroth MD PhD,** **prof. Roel Nusse PhD** and **prof. Hanneke Schuitemaker PhD**.

During ISCOMS, students can explore PhD opportunities at the University Medical Center Groningen (UMCG) with our ISCOMS Research Fellowships (IRF). The IRF is a challenging two week programme, in which students may actively participate in research at one of the UMCG Research Institutes and gather a great deal of knowledge related to the topic of research. As a student, you get the chance to perform research at a leading institute, meet top researchers, and learn about the possibilities of doing a PhD-programme in the Netherlands. Many foreign students were able to start a PhD-programme in the UMCG due to the IRF. The IRF are available for presenting participants exclusively.

ISCOMS 2022 will take place in Groningen at the UMCG. The main focus of the congress will be on physical participation, but several elements will take place digitally as well. Furthermore, we will host ISCOMS 2022 in Groningen within the confines of the COVID-19 measures of the Netherlands. Thus, irrespective of the COVID-19 situation, ISCOMS 2022 will definitely take place!

**CALL FOR ABSTRACTS**

Are you interested in presenting your research at ISCOMS? Send in your abstract. The abstract submission is **open from the 18th of October until the 30st of January 2022**. Each student is allowed to submit up to two abstracts. Abstracts can be submitted on our website [www.iscoms.com](http://www.iscoms.com/).

For more information, please visit [our website](http://www.iscoms.com), [Facebook page](https://www.facebook.com/ISCOMS/) and [Instagram page](https://www.instagram.com/iscoms/). If you have any questions, feel free to contact us at iscoms@umcg.nl

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