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IOCB PRAGUE

Meeting with Group Leaders

Zdenek Hostomský | January 23, 2017

AGENDA



- IOCB interdisciplinary grants
- New IOCB Board
- New Methodology Board
- Candidates to the CAS Boards
- Miscellanea
- Important reminders

IOCB interdisciplinary grants



- Established to support opportunities for interdisciplinary collaborations at IOCB
- Complementary to GSRC-3, same format
- 7 applications received by the November 30, 2016 deadline.
- Meeting of the evaluation commission – December 22, 2016
(Moravcová, Obšil, Svoboda, Hostomský)
- 2 additional anonymous evaluations secured

IOCB interdisciplinary grants



- A general comment from an external reviewer:
- ...“I am not sure a call for interdisciplinary collaborations associated with grant support is the right approach. Above all, I would emphasize strong projects (not necessarily with medicinal applications) that address important questions and problems. The rest is secondary. If such projects require interdisciplinary collaboration that would make them stronger, great. But if they are competitive without collaboration, that should be sufficient too. Rather than motivate IOCB researchers to form pragmatic alliances to paste something together just to meet the requirements to get some extra cash...”

The Evaluation Committee Report



- None of the projects was competitive enough to receive full funding. All proposals had caveats, especially in biology, raising questions about feasibility, focus and cost.
- Refine future call rules to emphasize quality and uniqueness, with interdisciplinarity as bonus point.
- Award 500 000 CZK to 3 highest ranked projects until the next call to give them a chance to get preliminary data and perform key proof-of-concept experiments to strengthen the proposals.



The three highest ranking proposals selected for partial funding to strengthen the proposals are:

- **Yushchenko/Bouř/Cígler** - Uncovering the mechanisms of cytotoxicity induced by amyloidogenic proteins
- **Jiráček/Hobza/Jahn** - Development of insulin mimetics
- **Lazar/Řezáčová/Jungwirth** - Fluorescent protein bolts

IOCB interdisciplinary grants



Next call in second half of 2017,
in coordination with IOCB Board

Emphasis on quality and high international standards, reflecting the full competitive potential institutions like IOCB are striving to achieve and willing to support

new IOCB Board



- Joint meeting of the departing and incoming IOCB Board members on December 15, 2016
- First meeting of the new IOCB Board –
 - January 4, 2017
 - Election of Chairman and Vice-Chairman.

outgoing

Luboš Rulíšek - C
Iva Pichová - VC

Ullrich Jahn
Zlatko Janeba
Jiří Jiráček
Radek Pohl

Jitka Moravcová (VŠCHT)
Tomáš Obšil (PřF UK)
Petr Svoboda (IMG)

incoming

Ullrich Jahn - C
Pavel Jungwirth - VC

Radim Nencka
Radek Pohl
Pavčina M. Řezáčová
Pavel Šácha

Petr Slavíček (VŠCHT)
Tomáš Obšil (PřF UK)
Petr Svoboda (IMG)

the new IOCB Board



Introducing

- Ullrich Jahn,
Chairman of the IOCB Board.

the new Methodology Board



- Michal Hocek
- Josef Cvačka
- Michael Mareš
- Lubomír Rulíšek

Candidates to Boards of the CAS



To Academic Board:

- Zdeněk Havlas
- David Šaman

To Science Board

- Michal Hocek

17 additional candidates from other institutes also supported with $> 50\%$ of the vote

Miscellanea



Mtgs w GLs - 2017 Schedule



- January 23
- February 20
- March 20
- April 24
- May 22
- June 26
- September 4
- October 2
- November 6
- December 18

Always on Mondays at 10:00 am in the Director's Boardroom



- **Barbora Fričová,**
Head of Communications



- Milan Drahoňovský,
Head of TEA.

New contract for IT delivery (2017)

- New IT supplier since January 23th (one year contract);
- The ordering principles remain the same as up to day (Albina ordering with the Purchasing department support);
- Time limit for material delivery - 3 working days;
- Delivery contains also installation, commissioning and other support services (ITS team cooperation);
- Claims are solved together with ITS team in the first step (clear problem definition);
- Communication of all feed back is necessary to keep the business relationship at high standard;
- Information about the details – follow the noticeboard.

Safety and Esthetic Considerations



- See-through glass doors should not be blocked by posters pasted on the glass
- Safety noticeboard frame will be moved from the central entry hall area of bldg. A to a less prominent location.



- No dangerous waste may be added to the mixed waste!

Important Reminders



- Next meeting with Group Leaders

February 20, 2017