25th Workshop of the International Stroke Genetics Consortium

10-12th April 2019 Oxbridge Meeting
at
Queens’ College,
University of Cambridge, UK

Hosted by
Clinical Neurosciences, University of Cambridge
&
Nuffield Department of Population Health, University of Oxford

For more information visit:
http://www.strokegenetics.org
Dear Colleagues,

It is a great pleasure to invite you all to attend the 25th Workshop of the International Stroke Genetics Consortium, hosted by Drs. Jemma Hopewell (University of Oxford), Matthew Traylor and Hugh Markus (University of Cambridge) and co-hosts Drs. Carlos Cruchaga & Jin-Moo Lee (Washington University of St Louis) in Cambridge, UK on April 10-12th, 2019. The meeting is organized by the Clinical Neurosciences, University of Cambridge & Nuffield Department of Population Health, University of Oxford, and is being held in the beautiful setting of Queens’ College, Cambridge.

Cambridge, UK, is a compact city on the River Cam, approximately 50 miles north of London. It is home to the world-renowned University of Cambridge, which was founded in 1209.

The ISGC is an international collaboration of physicians and scientists who have agreed to pool resources and expertise in an effort to unravel the genetic basis of stroke. It was formed in 2007 by a small group of scientists and has since grown to over 200 members representing over 50 countries in North and South America, Europe, Australia, Asia, and Africa. The success of this initiative stems from the collaboration and engagement of its members, which is best expressed during the workshops where, twice a year, ISGC scientists meet to share their ideas and results.

The workshop will be held over 2 days and will include abstract sessions, working group reports on the progress of the scientific projects and new ideas, as well as invited lectures. The program will include enough time to socialize and explore the city during the social events. So please join us in beautiful Cambridge, UK!

Please register for the scientific workshop and social activities at the ISGC website at: https://onlinesales.admin.cam.ac.uk/conferences-and-events/clinical-neurosciences/international-stroke-genetics-workshop/25th-international-stroke-genetics-workshop

We recommend registering as soon as possible to benefit from early bird discounts!

We look forward to seeing you on April 10-12th, 2019!

Jemma Hopewell, Matthew Traylor and Hugh Markus (hosts)
Carlos Cruchaga & Jin-Moo Lee (co-hosts)
CONFERENCE REGISTRATION FEES

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TAKE ADVANTAGE OF EARLY BIRD DISCOUNTS by registering early!

If any issues arise, please contact meeting organizer Anna Bates acb210@medschl.cam.ac.uk or the ISGC Convener Bailey Montgomery at BEMONTGOMERY@mgh.harvard.edu

NOTE: Registrations cancelled before Feb 1st 2019 will be refunded with an administrative fee of £20, and before Mar 1st at £50. All cancellations after March 1st 2019 will not be refunded.

ABSTRACT REGISTRATION

We are pleased to accept abstract submissions for the Cambridge, UK ISGC Workshop. Please go to the Abstract registration link under the “ISGC Workshop” heading on the ISGC Website and go to the abstract submission form. We plan to include these abstracts in future publications of the proceedings of the ISGC (after seeking the corresponding author’s approval).

For those members who wish to be considered for a presentation at the workshop, Please submit an abstract by March 1st 2019 You will be notified by email if your abstract is chosen for an oral or poster presentation.

SCIENTIFIC PROGRAM

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The scientific program will include speakers from within ISGC, as well as guest speakers active in the field of genetics of complex diseases.

EARLY BIRD REGISTRATION

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The conference registration includes documentation, coffee break and lunch All payment is contributed to the non-profit ISGC Foundation for support of this meeting and all associated academic activities

MEETING HIGHLIGHTS will include, among other topics

Sessions on:
- Stroke genomics opportunities in large-scale Biobanks
- Interpreting and translating findings from stroke genetics studies
- Identifying causal risk factors for stroke
- Genetic approaches to identify drug targets

Further updates on program content will be sent out shortly

INVITED SPEAKERS (Confirmed)

- Prof. Sir Rory Collins (University of Oxford)
- Prof. Nicole Soranzo (Sanger Institute)
The 25th Workshop of the International Stroke Genetics Consortium will be held from April 10-12th at Queens’s College, Cambridge

A map of the area is shown to the right (with the conference venue pinpointed in red) and information about how to reach the museum is below.

All recommended hotels are less than 0.5 miles (or an estimated 12 minute walk) from the conference venue.

Delegates are invited to stay within the grounds of Queens’ College in the post-war Cripps Court (below left). The meeting itself will be held in the Fitzpatrick Hall (below right), with evening dinner on 11th April hosted in the historic Old Hall (below centre).
SOCIAL ACTIVITIES

For purchase of tickets to social events please visit <<link to follow>>. If any issues arise please contact meeting organizer Anna Bates acb210@medschl.cam.ac.uk or the ISGC Convener Bailey Montgomery BEMONTGOMERY@mgh.harvard.edu.

WEDNESDAY April 10th
- Steering Committee Dinner

THURSDAY April 11st
- Tour of historic Cambridge
- Dinner at Old Hall of Queens’ College (top left)

FRIDAY April 12th
- Dinner at Clare College (centre left)

Cambridge offers a host of other activities during the conference, including:

- A drink at the Eagle Pub (top right), where Frances Crick announced his discovery (along with James Watson and Rosalind Franklin) of the structure of DNA
- Visit to King’s College Chapel (bottom right)
- Punting on River Cam, weather permitting! (bottom centre)
- Visit to Fitzwilliam Museum (bottom left)
LODGING

QUEENS’ COLLEGE

ACCOMMODATION IS AVAILABLE WITHIN THE HISTORIC GROUNDS OF QUEENS’ COLLEGE, IMMEDIATELY ADJACENT TO THE CONFERENCE VENUE

All rooms are standard dorm-style and come with breakfast, have access to Wi-fi and are equipped with tea and coffee making facilities, soap, towels and linen. Enjoy the unique experience of staying in a famous Cambridge College!

Standard rate £96

To book rooms, visit https://www.queens.cam.ac.uk/conferences/conference/accommodation with conference code KX35409

The number of rooms blocked is limited, so PLEASE BOOK EARLY to avoid disappointment! Please note that the reservations will be accepted on a first-come first-served basis.

Refunds are dependent on Queens’ Conferencing booking policy.

The following hotels can also be considered, all of which are close to the meeting venue. The reservation deadline and the cancellation policies depend on the hotel.

REGENT HOTEL
Small Double £134 p/night
Standard Double £144 p/night
Executive £166 p/night
Contact reservations@regenthotel.co.uk with reference ISGC for special rate.

DOUBLETREE by HILTON

HILTON CITY CENTRE
### HOW TO REACH CAMBRIDGE FROM LONDON AIRPORTS / RAIL STATIONS

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2) Taxi or Uber (45’ approx, £55)                                                                                                                                  | https://www.stanstedairport.com/getting-to-and-from/cambridge/  
http://www.nationalrail.co.uk/                                                                                                                                             |
| London Heathrow Airport (LHR) | 1) Tube and Train via London: Take Piccadilly line underground to Kings Cross St Pancras (60’ approx), then take train directly to Cambridge (£24, 50’ approx.). Alternatively take Heathrow Express to Paddington (£10, 20’ approx), then underground to Kings Cross  
2) National Express Coach direct to Cambridge (2hr 20’ approx.)  
3) Taxi or Uber (2hr approx, £110)                                                                                                                                         | https://tfl.gov.uk/  
| London Gatwick Airport (LGW)  | 1) There is a direct train from Gatwick to Cambridge (£35, 2hr approx.). The train station is within the airport terminal.  
2) Taxi or Uber (2hr30 approx, £135)                                                                                                                                 | http://www.nationalrail.co.uk/                                                                 |
| London City Airport (LCY)     | 1) DLR/Underground to Liverpool Street Station (50’ approx), then train to Cambridge (£24, 1hr approx)  
2) Taxi or Uber (1hr30 approx, £95)                                                                                                                                 | https://tfl.gov.uk/  
http://www.nationalrail.co.uk/                                                                                                                                             |
| London Luton Airport (LTN)    | Taxi (1hr approx, £75)                                                                                                                                                                                                                | https://www.panthertaxis.co.uk/airport-transfer-guide                                                                                                               |
| London St Pancras International Station (Eurostar) | Cross directly to Kings Cross station (signposted 2-3 min walk) and take direct train to Cambridge (£24, 50’ approx.)                                                                                                           | http://www.nationalrail.co.uk/                                                                                                                                         |

Note: Where possible we recommend booking flights to London Stansted (best option) or London Luton due to their proximity to Cambridge.  
All train tickets can be purchased at the station. Travel on London Underground is also possible with contactless credit or debit cards, or using Oyster cards, which can be purchased at stations.  
For taxi transfers from airports to Cambridge, **book in advance** with Panther taxis (https://www.panthertaxis.co.uk/airport-transfer-guide).  
**We strongly recommend against hiring black cabs directly from airports as these can be very expensive!**  
Taxis are readily available at Cambridge train station to take you to the venue or your hotel (10’ transfer approx or 25 min walk)