

legislation will make the application and approval process easier. From March 2009 much of the application process will be web-based.

A complete application should contain a detailed project description, with relevant scientific and ethical considerations. It must also include the study protocol, information on how to recruit patients, how to provide patient information and obtaining patient consent. Information on economic interests must always be included.

My project, my frustrations

An important function of these meetings is to provide an arena for the presentation of ongoing and future research projects.

This year, *Dr Daniel de la Rosa Carrillo*, from the Department of Dermatology, Rikshospitalet University Hospital, Oslo, gave an exciting glimpse into the world of proteomics. The goal of his project, "Screening for therapeutic targets in psoriasis by high affinity proteomics" is to identify factors in the psoriatic cell cycle that may be targets for treatment.

A clinician carrying out laboratory research may often feel isolated from his or her clinical colleagues. Dr de la Rosa recommended joining a research group and carrying out research full-time for a period of weeks or months instead of 2–3 days a week.

The meeting was a success, and planning for next year's meeting has already begun.

Congresses and meetings

Årsmöte SSDV 27–29 maj 2009 i Eskilstuna. Inf: www.pdf.nu

2nd World Psoriasis and Psoriatic Arthritis Conference 2009 "Psoriasis - Skin and Beyond" on **June 24–28, 2009** in Stockholm, Sweden. Inf: <http://www.ifpa-psy.org/t1.aspx>

10th Contact Dermatitis Conference on **July 9–11, 2009** in Hershey, USA. Inf: Penn State Hershey College of Medicine, MC G220, 44 East Granada Avenue, Room 1108, P.O. Box 851, Hershey, PA 17033 USA. ContinuingEd@hmc.psu.edu

39th Annual ESDR Meeting, **September 9–12, 2009** in Budapest, Hungary. Inf: www.motesz.hu/docs/ESDR2009.pdf

39th Annual Meeting of the European Society for Dermatological Research (ESDR) on **September 10–12, 2009** in Budapest, Hungary. Inf: ESDR Secretariat: Phone: +41-22-321-4890. Fax: +41-22-321-4892. www.esdr.org

8th Congress of the Baltic Association of Dermatovenereologists on **September 17–19, 2009** in Vilnius, Lithuania. www.badv2009.com

13th Congress of the European Society for Dermatology and Psychiatry (ESDaP) on **September 17–22, 2009** in Venice, Italy. Inf: www.esdap2009.org

18th EADV Congress on **October 7–11, 2009** in Berlin, Germany. www.eadv.org

5th International Workshop for the Study of Itch on **October 25–28, 2009** in Tokyo, Japan. Inf: Department of Dermatology, Urayasu Hospital, Juntendo University School of Medicine, 2-1-1 Tomioka, Urayasu, Chiba, 279-0021, Japan. ysuga@med.juntendo.ac.jp

11th World Congress on Pediatric Dermatology on **November 17–20, 2009** in Bangkok, Thailand. Inf: Iris Mundigl. Tel: +41-229 080 488. Fax: +41-227 322 850. wcpd@kenes.com

68th Annual Meeting of the American Academy of Dermatology on **February 26–March 2, 2010** in Miami, USA. Inf: American Academy of Dermatology Tel: +202-842-3555. Fax: +202-842-4355. www.aad.org

6th World Congress for Hair Research on **June 16–19, 2010** in Cairns, Australia. Inf: ICMS Pty Ltd, 84 Queensbridge Street, Southbank, Victoria 3006, Australia. Tel: +61-39682 0244. Fax: +61-39682 0288. hair2010@icms.com.au

40th Annual Meeting of the European Society for Dermatological Research (ESDR) on **September 9–11, 2010** in Helsinki, Finland. Inf: www.esdr.org

19th EADV Congress on **October 5–10, 2010** in Gothenburg, Sweden. Inf: olle.larko@derm.gu.se

Courses

Fördjupningskurs, dermatologi 9–10 juni, 2009, Halmstad, arrangerad av Wyeth Academy. Info: www.wyethacademy.se

Training Course Psychodermatology on **July 13–17, 2009**, in Brussels, Belgium. Info: www.eadv.org/article.asp?AID=274

Summer School Microbiology on **July 20–24, 2009** in Vienna, Austria. Info: www.eadv.org/article.asp?AID=274

Terapiinriktad fortbildningskurs för dermatologer 15–16 oktober 2009, Lejonadal, arrangerad av Schering-Ploug. Info: susanna.helgo@spcorp.com