Cluster for Cardiovascular Research

Announcement

As cardiovascular disease is the leading cause of death globally, a greater understanding of cardiovascular physiology and pathophysiology is of utmost importance. Consequently, several teams of the Department for BioMedical Research (DBMR) and the University of Bern (UniBE) are actively involved in research concerning the function of the heart, arteries and veins, as well as the underlying mechanisms, in healthy and disease states. This research ranges from fundamental biochemical science to pre-clinical and clinical studies, and thereby relies on a multitude of experimental models.

In order to promote the cardiovascular research teams in Bern as leaders in the understanding of cardiovascular (patho)physiology and in the development of approaches to reduce disease burden, a DBMR Cardiovascular Research Cluster is currently being established for all DBMR and UniBE members with an interest in cardiovascular research. The DBMR Cardiovascular Research Cluster will commence activities in early 2015 with the aims of promoting research collaborations between DBMR and UniBE researchers, raising visibility and awareness of cardiovascular research in Bern, enriching the training environment of junior researchers, as well as providing a framework and logistical support for multi-team and/or interdisciplinary projects. The activities of the DBMR Cardiovascular Research Cluster will include a monthly seminar series with internal and external speakers, student research events, and strategic focus meetings for areas of specific interest.

Additional information will become soon available.

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