

Call for Proposals for 2010 Walther and Christine Richtzenhain-Award

The Management Board of the German Cancer Research Center (Deutsches Krebsforschungszentrum, DKFZ) solicits applications and nominations from across Germany for this year's sponsorship award of the Walther and Christine Richtzenhain Foundation. The €10,000 award recognizes pioneering scientific publications in the area of translational cancer research.

The award selection process will consider scientific publications from research institutes in Germany which were published or accepted for publication in the years 2008 and 2009. The focus should be on successful transfer of research results into potential clinical applications. It is permitted to submit several publications with related content. For publications with multiple authors, please specify the candidate's contribution to the publication. Applications by young scientists will be treated with preference. No more than ten years should have elapsed since receipt of the doctoral degree. Applications or nominations are requested to comprise a copy of the publication, brief Curriculum Vitae of the scientist, and his or her publication list of the past five years.

The award, which goes back to a foundation established by neurologist Walther Richtzenhain and his wife, is awarded annually, alternately to doctoral students at Heidelberg research institutes and to scientists from across Germany for publications in the area of translational cancer research. The award-winning publication is selected by a panel of experts; legal recourse is excluded. The award will be presented at a ceremonial scientific lecture event at DKFZ.

Applications or nominations are requested to be submitted in five copies on a CD including the required documents (application letter, CV, publication list including impact factors, and the publication itself) **by June 30, 2010**. In addition, a complete version on paper is required.

Please send the application package to:

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A picture for this press release is available at:

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Picture caption: Presentation of 2008 Richtzenhain Award: Professor Otmar D. Wiestler, Scientific Director of DKFZ (center), presenting the certificate to the two award winners, Professor Christopher Heeschen of the Spanish National Cancer Research Center (left) and Professor Stephan Stilgenbauer of Ulm University Hospitals (right).

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The German Cancer Research Center (Deutsches Krebsforschungszentrum, DKFZ) is the largest biomedical research institute in Germany and is a member of the Helmholtz Association of National Research Centers. More than 2,000 staff members, including 850 scientists, are investigating the mechanisms of cancer and are working to identify cancer risk factors. They provide the foundations for developing novel approaches in the prevention, diagnosis, and treatment of cancer. In addition, the staff of the Cancer Information Service (KID) offers information about the widespread disease of cancer for patients, their families, and the general public. The Center is funded by the German Federal Ministry of Education and Research (90%) and the State of Baden-Württemberg (10%).

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