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Dear Colleagues,

Announcing the CSI 2014 Annual Meeting

The meeting this year will take place from Thursday, March 6 to Sunday, March 9, 2014 at Le Chateau Frontenac Hotel in Quebec City, Quebec. This is a wonderful venue and a fantastic location.

Preliminary Program:

Thursday PM, March 6: Exosomes Mini-Symposium

Thursday, March 6: Keynote Speaker: Dr. Alexander Rudensky (Sloane-Kettering Institute); Opening Reception

Friday AM, March 7: Symposium I: Germinal Center Reactions in Health and Disease

Friday PM, March 7: Workshops/Poster Session

Saturday AM, March 8: Symposium II (Co-sponsored by CIHR Human Immunology Network): Cytokines and Immune Regulation in Interventional Immunology

Saturday PM, March 8: Workshops/Poster Session/Conference Dinner

Sunday AM, March 9: Symposium III: Autophagy: Survival, Quality and Infection Control or Out of Control

Activities:

There are several activities to do in Quebec City including an organized tour of the famous Ice Hotel, plus other self-organized activities which include city tours, skiing/snowboarding, dog sledding, ice canyoning and plenty more. The Local Organizing Committee will be organizing a visit to the Ice Hotel for CSI members to sign-up. Visit the Meeting Activities pages for more details on the Ice Hotel (tour details and pricing will be available before on-line registration begins).

Important Deadlines:

Conference Registration Begins: Nov. 18/13 Travel Bursary submission: Nov. 29/13 Abstract submission: Jan. 24/14 Early registration: Jan. 24/14

Hotel registration: Feb. 5/14

Travel Bursary for Students, Postdocs and Jr. Investigators to attend the CSI Annual Meeting - APPLY NOW

Apply for a <u>Travel Bursary</u>.10 - 15 travel awards (up to \$1000) will be available for students and postdocs and up to three Investigator travel awards (up to \$1,500). Award decisions are based on merit ranking determined by a panel of senior immunologists. Results of the travel award competition will be announced before the early CSI meeting registration deadline of January 24/14. To be eligible for an award you and your supervisor (if your lab is Canadian) must be CSI members. The Travel Bursary application has a deadline of **November 29/13** for this year's meeting.

Reminder: CSI 2014 Membership Dues

If you haven't already done so, please remember to renew your CSI membership dues for 2014. Please click on the link to renew your CSI membership for 2014, www.csi-sci.ca/application.aspx and select that you have held a membership in the last three years. Login with your email address and password.

CSI would like to encourage all those engaged in Immunology research in Canada to join CSI to strengthen our voice in lobbying efforts and to ensure that we provide the best possible forum to further Immunology in Canada. CSI would appreciate your help by circulating the <a href="https://dx.doi.org/10.1001/jac.2016-10.1001/jac.

An email announcement will be sent out requesting nominations for the Investigator/New Investigator and John D Reynolds awards. Please start considering carefully which of your colleagues, locally and across the country, you would like to put forward for these prestigious awards.

For more detailed information, check the conference website here.