Dear student,

Are you conducting (bio)medical research and are you interested in presenting your work on an international platform? Or are you simply interested in learning about the latest (bio)medical research?

The International Student Congress Of (bio)Medical Sciences (ISCOMS) is the world’s leading student congress in the field of (bio)medical sciences. Last year, over 800 students from more than 50 countries attended the 26th edition of ISCOMS. This year, the 27th edition will take place from the 2nd until the 5th of June 2020 in Groningen.

Students can visit the congress both as a presenting and non-presenting participant. ISCOMS offers a scientific programme with a pre-course on mastering your research and three congress days in which student presentation sessions (plenary, oral, and poster), workshops and a surgical operation will take place. Furthermore, during the congress there will be keynote lectures from world renowned speakers including Lasker award winner 2016 and Nobel Prize winner 2019, Prof. Sir Peter J. Ratcliffe.

Moreover, students can explore PhD opportunities at the University Medical Center Groningen (UMCG) with our ISCOMS Research Fellowships (IRF). The IRF is a challenging two week programme, in which students may actively participate in research at one of the UMCG’s Research Institutes and gather a great deal of knowledge related to the topic of research. As a student, you get the chance to perform research at a leading institute, meet top-researchers, and – more importantly – learn about the possibilities of doing a PhD-programme in the Netherlands. There have been many foreign students who were able to start a PhD-programme in the UMCG due to the IRF. The IRF are available for presenting participants only.

On top of all this, we will feature an exciting social programme, including a formal dinner, the amazing World Wide ISCOMS Night and a Post Congress Tour.

**CALL FOR ABSTRACTS**

Are you interested in presenting your research at ISCOMS? Send in your abstract! The abstract submission will be open from the 21st of October 2019 until the 30th of January 2020. Each student is allowed to submit up to 2 abstracts. Abstracts can be submitted on our website [www.iscoms.com](http://www.iscoms.com).

For more information, please visit our [website](http://www.iscoms.com) and [Facebook page](https://www.facebook.com/iscoms) or check out our after movie from [ISCOMS 2019](https://www.iscoms.com/aftermovie). If you have any questions, feel free to contact us at iscoms@umcg.nl.

Kind regards,

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