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Top News

The Bavarian prime minister Dr. E. Stoiber, representatives of the Bavarian ministry of science, and the Rektor and chancellor of the LMU visited the “BayGene” network at the Gene Center on October 28, 2004. We thank Prof. Domdey, Dr. Muntau, Dr. Haas, and Dr. Kaltenhauser for their contributions to this successful event. Details are found on the Gene Center News pages.

Science

SFB 1997 established
The new Sonderforschungsbereich “Regulatory networks in genome expression and maintenance” (coordinated by R. Jansen) will be funded for the initial period 2005-2008.

SFB 455 continued
The Sonderforschungsbereich 455 “Virale Funktionen und Immunmodulation” (coordinated by U. Koszinowski) will receive continued funding as it enters its 3rd period.

Biology on campus
The new building on the campus Martinsried/Grosshadern housing part of the Biology faculty has been inaugurated on October 29, 2004. The proximity to the Gene Center facilitates collaboration in teaching and research.

Awards
Katja Strässer received the Young Investigator Award of the European Molecular Biology Organization EMBO, increasing the number of EMBO YIs at the Gene Center to four. Patrick Cramer received the 10th Eppendorf Award for Young European Investigators.

Teaching

International Max-Planck Research School
The Max-Planck Society decided to launch a new International Research School, organized by three Max-Planck Institutes in Munich and groups at the Munich Universities, including three Gene Center groups. The school starts in October 2005 and aims at attracting outstanding international PhD students for research projects in current molecular biology.

Events

Gene Center Seminar Series
Please view www.LMB.uni-muenchen.de for an up-to-date list of speakers. Over the next time we have distinguished speakers, include. W. Kuehlbrandt, W. Nickel, P. Aloy, and N. Proudfoot.
Christmas dinner
The Gene Center Christmas dinner will take place at the Freshmaker Restaurant (IZB Martinsried) on Thursday December 16th, 2004.

Ringberg Meeting
The Gene Center organizes the traditional meeting of biomedical investigators in academia and industry at the Ringberg Castle on January 3-5, 2005. One keynote speaker will be M. Mann.

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