BODOSSAKI FOUNDATION SEMINAR SERIES IN BIOLOGY AND MEDICINE, SEPTEMBER 4-8, 2011

SUNDAY, September 4

2.00-4.00 p.m. Arrival and Registration

4.30-5.00 p.m. Opening Address: **Dimitris Vlastos**, President, Bodossaki Foundation

Brief Introduction to the Seminar Series: Argiris Efstratiadis

5.00-7.00 p.m. "Nuclear Reprogramming by Eggs and Oocytes: Past, Present and Future"

John Gurdon, Kt DPhil DSc FRS

Distinguished Group Leader and Emeritus Professor in the Zoology Department

Wellcome Trust/Cancer Research UK Gurdon Institute

University of Cambridge

7.00-8.00 p.m. Discussion 8.30-10.00 p.m. Dinner

10.00-11.00 p.m. Social Hour: Meet the Speakers

MONDAY, September 5

8.00-9.00 a.m. Breakfast

9.00-11.00 a.m. "Transcriptional Control in Higher Eukaryotes"

Dimitris Thanos, PhDChair of the Scientific Board

Director, Basic Research Center II (Molecular Biology) Biomedical Research Foundation, Academy of Athens

11.00-11.30 a.m. Discussion11.30 a.m.-12 noon Coffee Break

12.00-2.00 p.m. "Population Genetics and Genomics in Humans"

Emmanouil Dermitzakis, PhD Louis-Jeantet Professor of Genetics

Department of Genetic Medicine and Development

University of Geneva Medical School

2.00-2.30 p.m. Discussion 2.30-3.30 p.m. Lunch 3.30-5.00 p.m. Free Time

5.00-8.00 p.m. "Problem Set #1: Genome Structure and Evolution" (A. Efstratiadis)

8.00-8.30 p.m. General Discussion

8.30-10.00 p.m. Dinner

10.00-11.00 p.m. Social Hour: Meet the Speakers

TUESDAY, September 6

8.00-9.00 a.m. Breakfast

9.00-11.00 a.m. "The Epigenetics of the Stem Cell State"

Spyros Georgatos, MD, PhD

Professor of Biology

School of Medicine, University of Ioannina

11.00-11.30 a.m. Discussion11.30 a.m.-12 noon Coffee Break

12.00-2.00 p.m. "Leukemia Stem Cells: Multilevel Drug Targeting of Human Leukemias"

Asterios Tsiftsoglou, PhD

Professor

Department of Pharmaceutical Sciences Aristotle University of Thessaloniki

 2.00-2.30 p.m.
 Discussion

 2.30-3.30 p.m.
 Lunch

 3.30-5.00 p.m.
 Free Time

5.00-8.00 p.m. "Problem Set #2: Transcription" (**D. Thanos**)

8.00-8.30 p.m. General Discussion

8.30-10.00 p.m. Dinner

10.00-11.00 p.m. Social Hour: Meet the Speakers

WEDNESDAY, September 7

8.00-9.00 a.m. Breakfast

9.00-11.00 a.m. "Development and Plasticity of the Nervous System"

Vassilis Pachnis, MD, PhD Head of Neuroscience Group Division of Molecular Neurobiology

MRC National Institute for Medical Research, London

and

Director, Institute of Molecular Biology and Biotechnology

Foundation of Research and Technology-Hellas

Heraklion, Crete

11.00-11.30 a.m. Discussion11.30 a.m.-12 noon Coffee Break

12.00-2.00 p.m. "A Brief Introduction to Cancer Biology: Mouse Models of Cancer"

Argiris Efstratiadis, MD, PhD

Higgins Emeritus Professor of Genetics and Development

Columbia University, New York

and

Scientific Director

Biomedical Research Foundation, Academy of Athens

2.00-2.30 p.m. Discussion2.30-3.30 p.m. Lunch3.30-5.00 p.m. Free Time

5.00-8.00 p.m. "Problem Set #3: Modes of Cell Division (symmetric/asymmetric)" (S. Georgatos)

8.00-8.30 p.m. General Discussion

8.30-10.00 p.m. Dinner

10.00-11.00 p.m. Social Hour: Meet the Speakers

THURSDAY, September 8

8.00-9.00 a.m. Breakfast

9.00-11.00 a.m. "Autoimmunity and Inflammation: Evolving Concepts"

Dimitris Boumpas, MD

Professor

Division of Rheumatology, Clinical Immunology and Allergy

University of Crete Medical School

11.00-11.30 a.m. Discussion

11.30 a.m.-12 noon General Discussion and Overview

12.00noon - 2.00pm Lunch 2.00-2.30pm Departure