

## **Invitation to attend the “7th International Summer School on Immunogenetics”.**

This year the international Summer School on Immunogenetics, organized by **EFI** (the European Federation for Immunogenetics), **ASHI** (the American Society for Histocompatibility and Immunogenetics) and **APHIA** (the Asia-Pacific Histocompatibility and Immunogenetics Association), will take place in the beautiful historical place of **Messolonghi in Greece**, October 3-6, 2010. Local organizer is Catherine Stavropoulos.

Aim of the summer school is to promote the field of Immunogenetics by an intensive interaction between participants and tutors. Introductory lectures will be followed by extensive discussions on recent developments. The participants are invited to present their own research.

- Location: Hotel Theoxenia, Messolonghi, Greece  
Dates: October 3-6, 2010.  
Faculty: Marcelo Fernandez-Vina (ASHI), Deborah Crowe (ASHI), Campbell Witt (APHIA), Mary Diviney (APHIA), Sophie Caillat-Zucman (EFI), Cristina Navarrete (EFI), Papamatheakis Sifis (EFI) and Frans Claas (EFI)  
Topics: Immunogenetics of HLA and non-HLA genes  
Population genetics  
Regulation of gene expression.  
NK cells and KIR genes  
HLA and autoimmunity.  
Histocompatibility testing.  
Organ- and haematopoietic stem cell transplantation  
Host-pathogen response.  
Students: 25-30 postgraduate fellows, tissue typers or Ph.D. students with some experience in HLA.  
Sponsoring: EFI, ASHI and APHIA

Applications, including a short cv, letter of motivation and abstract on own research, must be sent by e-mail to the local organizer Prof. Catherine Stavropoulos at: [cstavrop@bioacademy.gr](mailto:cstavrop@bioacademy.gr)

A small committee consisting of EFI, ASHI and APHIA delegates will select the candidates.

The registration fee is 150 euro including lodgment and meals. Participants are supposed to pay their own trip to Athens, where local transportation will be provided. A few bursaries are available for participants, who present a good motivation why they are not able to pay the trip.

**Deadline for registration is July 1, 2010**