National Centre for the Replacement, Refinement and Reduction of Animals in Research

An NC3Rs/BBSRC Symposium – Tissue engineering: a new dimension to animal replacement

1 – 2 April 2009, Central London – Venue to be confirmed

Agenda

Day One – 1 April 2009			
		13.00 – 14.00	**REGISTRATION and COFFEE**
Chair: Professor Sheila MacNeil, University of Sheffield	**Introduction**	**14.00 – 14.10**	**Welcome and introduction** *Professor Sheila MacNeil, University of Sheffield*
		14.10 – 14.20	**Introduction to the NC3Rs** *Dr Anthony Holmes, NC3Rs*
	Session 1 – Commercial application of tissue engineering	**14.20 – 15.00**	**Keynote : Translation and commercialisation of tissue engineered products** *Dr Stefan Przyborski, Reinnervate Ltd.*
		15.00 – 15.25	**Use of 3D and stem cell organotypic CNS models in drug discovery** *Professor Lars Sundstrom, Capsant*
		15.25 – 15.45	**COFFEE**
		15.45 – 16.10	**Liver test systems: 3D liver cell model and vascularized liver cell module** *Professor Heike Mertsching, Fraunhofer Institute for Interfacial Engineering and Biotechnology*
		16.10 – 16.35	**A multi-chamber bioreactor system for disease modelling, toxicity screening, and stem cell research** *Dr J Malcolm Wilkinson, Kirkstall Ltd.*
		16.35 – 17.00	**Developing a 3D tissue engineering model of the human lung for safety testing** *Dr Kelly Berube, Cardiff University*
		17.00 – 17.20	**Closing remarks**
		17.30 – 21.00	**POSTER VIEWING and BUFFET DINNER**
Day Two – 2 April 2009			
Chair: Professor Eileen Ingham, University of Leeds	**Session 2 – Tissue engineered models of disease**	**09.00 – 09.40**	**Keynote : Tissue engineered approaches to modelling the nervous system** *Dr James Phillips, The Open University*
		09.40 – 10.05	**The development of an in vitro model of CNS injury to identify factors which promote repair** *Professor Sue Barnett, University of Glasgow*
		10.05 – 10.30	**A tissue engineered model of osteoarthritis** *Dr Ali Mobasheri, University of Nottingham*
		10.30 – 11.00	**COFFEE**
		11.00 – 11.25	**Using a novel three-dimensional cell culture model to investigate sepsis-induced renal failure** *Professor Tom Evans, University of Glasgow*
		11.25 – 11.50	**Development of a cell-based diabetic wound bioassay** *Professor Phil Stephens, Cardiff University*

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		11.50 – 12.15	**Tissue engineered oral mucosa: a multi-faceted tool for studying oral health and disease** *Professor Martin Thornhill, University of Sheffield*
		12.15 – 13.15	**LUNCH**
Chair: Dr Vivek Mudera, University College London	**Session 3 – Poster presentations**	**13.15 – 13.30**	**Selected oral poster presentation** *TBC*
		13.30 – 13.45	**Selected oral poster presentation** *TBC*
		13.45 – 14.00	**Selected oral poster presentation** *TBC*
		14.00 – 14.15	**Selected oral poster presentation** *TBC*
	Session 4 – Stem cells and tissue engineering	**14.15 – 14.35**	**Keynote: Opportunities and challenges in the use of stem cells in early drug development** *Dr Philip Wright, Stem Cells for Safer Medicines*
		14.35 – 14.55	**COFFEE**
		14.55 – 15.20	**Human IPS cell models of Huntington's disease** *Dr Nick Allen, Cardiff University*
		15.20 – 15.45	**Use of cardiomyocytes derived from human embryonic stem cells for safety assessment** *Dr Peter Sartipy, Cellartis AB*
		15.45 – 16.10	**Generation of three dimensional tissue structures with targeted gene deletions using mesenchymal stem cells** *Dr Paul Genever, University of York*
		16.10 – 16.35	**Keynote: Tissue engineering, challenges and opportunities for product exploitation** *Professor Dame Julia Polak, Imperial College London*
		16.35 – 16.45	**CLOSE**

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