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Proposal for changes of the name and logo

Dear colleagues and friends,

In the previous newsletter, we announced that the board has decided to give a single new english name to our society to increase his (international) visibility.

The proposal is that BVAC/ABCA will become **BSAC** (Belgian Society for Advancement of Cytometry).

We have asked you to help us for the choice of a new logo for our society between different proposals using an internet survey. **Here is the final selection**.



The selection of our new logo gives us the opportunity to finalise our new website under the leadership of Sarah Baatout, our new webmaster. Our new website should be ready for the end of January.

The link to join our website will remain: http://www.cytometry.be

These modifications will be presented for approval during our **next general assembly** which will be organized at 12:30 on January 30th immediately after the flow cytometry session of the BHS meeting (see page 3–4).

Upcoming events

Flow cytometry seminar of the general meeting of the Belgian Hematological Society January 30th 2015, Dolce La Hulpe

For the third time, the BHS has asked our Society to organize a special session on flow cytometry. This year, we celebrate the 30^{th} anniversary of the BHS with a retrospective on the evolution of flow cytometry and the trends in future developments.

"30 years of flow cytometry: achievements and perspectives"; chair: Anne Kornreich and André Gothot

9:00-9:30: Dirk Van Bockstaele (LabCorp), "Flow cytometry challenges in global clinical trials"

9:30-10:00: Jan Philippé (UGent), "Immunophenotyping and molecular biology: confrontation of two major players in the diagnosis of hematological malignancies"

10:00-10:30: Bernard Chatelain (UCL Mont-Godinne), "When is morphology mandatory in hematological practice?"

10:30-11:00: coffee break

11:00-11:45: David Barnett (UK NEQAS, UK), "Flow cytometry in the clinical laboratory: the shocking truth"

11:45-12:30: Jacques Van Dongen (Erasmus MC, Netherlands), "Achieving optimization and standardization of MRD analysis by flow cytometry"

For registration: www.bhs.be

Upcoming events

General assembly

The annual general assembly will be organized at 12:30 on January 30th immediately after the flow cytometry session of the BHS meeting.

Agenda:

- financial report
- activities of the society during 2014 and plans for 2015
- proposal to replace the name of the society into "Belgian Society for the Advancement of Cytometry (BSAC"), together with a new logo and a new website design
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Molecular Biology and Flow Cytometry Workshop 2015

February 5th and 6th 2015, Hoboken

The course is organised at the Karel De Grote-Hogeschool in Antwerpen Hoboken, mainly under the initiative of Molecular Diagnostics. be v.z.w. and the Belgian Society for Analytical Cytology v.z.w. Several other societies and two university colleges have also joined the organisation: the Belgian Society for Microscopy v.z.w., Belgische Vereniging voor Laboratorium technologen / Association Belge des Technologues de Laboratoire (BVLT-ABTL v.z.w.), Hogeschool West-Vlaanderen and Hogeschool Gent.

You can find the program of the meeting at http://www.kdg.be/mbc2015. Plenary sessions are scheduled on the mornings of February 5th and 6th, while around 50 different workshops on diverse areas of molecular biology and flow cytometry are organized during the afternoons.

At the moment we have more than 150 participants which have registered for the meeting either for one or two days.

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