

### IMB starts new International Summer School “*Dynamics of Gene Regulation, Epigenetics and DNA Damage Response*”

*In 2012, IMB will hold its first International Summer School / Cooperation with Johannes Gutenberg University and University Medical Center Mainz / 12 extraordinarily talented students from around the world get the opportunity to hear about the latest developments in the fields of Gene Regulation, Epigenetics and DNA Damage Response and to work on exciting research projects.*

**Mainz, January 2012.** The Institute of Molecular Biology (IMB) has announced a new International Summer School (ISS) in the Life Sciences. The ISS will take place from 16th July to 24th August 2012 and will provide outstanding and enthusiastic undergraduate, Master’s and PhD students the opportunity to undertake exciting research projects. Furthermore, they will receive lectures and hands on training from a variety of expert teachers. These include leading scientists in molecular biology, both from the institutes taking part in the ISS and from external speakers based around Europe, as well as members of IMB’s extensive Core Facilities.

The ISS will provide students with interdisciplinary training in a clearly defined set of topics: epigenetics, gene regulation, DNA repair, functional morphology of the nucleus, as well as bioinformatics and systems biology approaches to research in these areas. These topics are all of increasing importance to biomedical research, and the skills students will gain by participating in the ISS will provide the ideal stepping stone to a successful career in research.

For more information regarding the Summer School, including a list of participating groups at IMB, Johannes Gutenberg University and Mainz University Medical Center, please visit: [www.imb-mainz.de/students/international-summer-school](http://www.imb-mainz.de/students/international-summer-school).

#### **Institute for Molecular Biology gGmbH (IMB)**

The Institute of Molecular Biology gGmbH (IMB) is a new research centre in the life sciences, which was established in March 2011. Research at IMB concentrates on three cutting-edge research areas: Developmental Biology, Epigenetics and DNA Damage Response. The research centre is a prime example of successful collaboration between public authorities and a private foundation: The Boehringer Ingelheim Foundation has dedicated 100 million Euro for a period of ten years to cover the scientific running of IMB, while the state of Rhineland-Palatinate provided 45.5 million Euro for the construction of a modern building to house IMB. For more information about IMB please visit: [www.imb-mainz.de](http://www.imb-mainz.de).

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