



Hartstichting

PhD training courses

- **Cardiac Function & Adaptation**
- **Vascular Biology**

October 10 – 14 at Papendal near Arnhem.

Organised by the Dutch cardiovascular research institutes under auspices and with organisational/financial support of the Dutch Heart Foundation (DHF).

Goal

The courses bring young scientists in close contact with the latest scientific developments in the cardiovascular field. A second important aspect of the courses is facilitating interaction between PhD students from different research institutes.

The courses are an integral part of the training offered to PhD students in the Dutch cardiovascular research institutes and are organised in collaboration with the DHF. These include: AMC, CARIM, COEUR, CVC Groningen, ICAR-VU, LVM, UMCU, UMC St. Radboud and VLAG.

As there is a waiting list for the Vascular Biology course, this year the course ‘Thrombosis & Haemostasis’ will not be organised while the course ‘Vascular Biology’ will be given in 2 groups of 40 participants each.

Content of the courses

The course on Cardiac Function and Adaptation aims at understanding the normal and abnormal functioning of the heart. Each day of the course has a specific theme. The Vascular Biology course provides an introduction into structure and function of the vascular system, with emphasis on vascular development, vasoregulation, vascular function, vascular activation and vascular diseases. Detailed information on the contents of the courses can be found on the webpage ‘PhD_training_courses’ on www.hartstichting.nl/wetenschappers/cursussencongressen.

Format of the courses

Each course day will start with one or more state-of-the-art lectures by experts in the field which will stimulate interactive discussions. Thereafter, students will work in small groups on assignments related to these lectures. The aforementioned website also gives information about the entry level required to follow these courses.

Registration

On the webpage www.hartstichting.nl/wetenschappers/cursussencongressen/PhD_training_courses a link to the registration form is given. Participation has to be approved by your research institute, please refer to your institute director for further information.

Although aiming primarily at PhD students from participating institutes, the courses are also open to interested PhD students from other institutes, both national and international, provided that space is available. The total number of participants is limited due to the interactive format of the courses.

Registration deadline

The deadline for registration is August 1st, 2011. Information on acceptance will be sent to the applicants before August 30th, 2011.

Costs

€ 450,- for PhD students from participating institutes
€ 900,- for PhD students from non-participating institutes
The fee includes 4 nights of lodging in a shared double room, all meals and coffee/tea during the day. All fees must be paid after receiving the bill and before October 1st, 2011.