What is UniStem Day?

UniStem Day is a one-day meeting organized for high school students since 2009. This event, solely dedicated to the dissemination and outreach of stem cell science and research, provides an opportunity to foster learning, discovery and debate on the themes of knowledge and innovation starting from stem cell research. The event showcases cutting edge research, paints a picture of the daily work of a scientist, and explores the mechanisms behind scientific breakthroughs, including the cultural expectations. By offering lessons, debates, visits at the laboratories and recreational moments, the students engage with the concepts and methodologies involved in stem cell research. Furthermore, they will gain an appreciation for science and how it can be fun and build personal character and relationships based on evidence, perseverance and integrity. As with previous years, UNISTEM DAY 2024 will bring together universities and high schools from all over the world by involving 97 universities and research centres in Australia, Denmark, France, Germany, Hungary, Italy, Netherlands, Norway, Poland, Serbia, Spain, Sweden and the United Kingdom.

UniStem is the Centre for Stem Cell Research of the University of Milan founded in 2006 by Profs. E. Cattaneo, G. Cossu, F. Gandolfi and Y. Torrente (unistem.it). The UNISTEM DAY 2024 event is one of many UniStem activities on stem cell research divulgation and this year it celebrates the 16th annual day dedicated to secondary school students and can boast being the largest public event on stem cell research in Europe.



Concept & Coordination



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The neverending journey of stem cell research March 22, 2024



Mohn Research Centre for Regenerative Medicine

Program





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9:15

Opening by the Coordinator and welcome video

9:15 - 9:20

Greetings from the Head of the MRCRM, Prof. Einar K. Kristoffersen, Head of the Department of Immunology and Transfusion Medicine, Haukeland University Hospital

9:20 - 9:30 Kahoot "What do you know about stem cells?"

9:30 - 9:45 Video call between Universities

09:45 - 10:00 Guro K. Melve, Senior Consultant in Immunology at Haukeland University Hospital "What are stem cells, and how is stem cell treatment used in the clinic today?"

10:00 - 10:10 Short break

10:10 - 10:30

Cecilie Gjerde, Dental Surgeon, Associate Professor, Department of Clinical Dentistry, University of Bergen "Stem cells in bone regeneration, the future is now!"

10:30 - 10:45

"Dress to Impress" - Demonstration and competition of how to gown for sterile cell production laboratories (the Ex vivo cleanroom facility)

10:45 - 11:15

Lunch (provided by Tekna) and video screening "What happens in a bone tissue engineering lab?"

11:15 - 11:35

Simona Chera, Professor, Department of Clinical Science, University of Bergen "Regeneration: Death is Only the Beginning"

11:35 - 11:45

Åshild Johansen, PhD candidate, Department of Clinical Dentistry, University of Bergen "3D bioprinting of living cells and biomaterials into a precise 3D structure"

11:45 - 11:50 Turid Helen Felli Lunde, Biochemist, Researcher and Union Representative for Tekna "Insights from Tekna"

11:50 - 12:00 Closing Kahoot and Conclusions by the Coordinator

