

August 8 - 12, 2015, Boston, Massachusetts, USA

Congress Theme: Harnessing Patterns of Inflammation in the Pursuit of Novel Therapeutics

About WCI

Opening Ceremony: Patterns of Inflammation: An Ancient Idea and A Paradigm For New Drug Development, Rod Flower, Congress President

We have invited top researchers from around the world to present and to discuss their latest data and ideas about inflammation, across diseases and organ systems looking at all aspects from the gene to the clinic at the 12th World Congress on Inflammation. Keynote lectures include:

Blocking Interleukin-1 in a Broad Spectrum of Inflammatory Diseases

Charles Dinarello, University of Colorado Denver

Inflammation in Atherosclerosis – A Translational Tale

Peter Libby, Brigham and Women's Hospital

Immunological Control of Nonimmunological Processes

Diane Mathis, Harvard University

Functions of Co-Inhibitory Pathways in Controlling T Cell Responses and Inflammation

Arlene Sharpe, Harvard University

Inflammation and Homeostasis and Disease

Ruslan Medzhitov. Yale School of Medicine

New Frontiers in Inflammation Research *Luke O'Neill, Trinity College Dublin*

Who Should Attend?

Basic and clinical researchers interested in the latest developments in inflammation research (both basic and clinical), its application to novel therapeutics, pathology, pharmacology and resolution. Find out more about the preliminary program and concurrent symposia on the congress website.

Important Dates

January 15, 2015 January 15, 2015 April 6, 2015 April 20, 2015

Abstract Submission Site Open Award Submission Site Open New Investigator Award Submission Deadline Women in Inflammation Science Award Submission Deadline Abstract Submission Deadline

Late Breaking Abstract Site Open (Poster Submissions Only)

April 20, 2015 May 4, 2015

Call for Abstracts

We invite you to share your research with our attendees. Submission of abstracts is encouraged in all aspects of inflammation research. Major scientific symposia topics include:

- Microbiome
- Ocular Inflammation
- Molecular Patterns and Acute Inflammation
- Novel Mechanisms in Inflammation
- Resolution of Inflammation
- Co-stimulatory and Co-inhibitory Pathways
- miRs in Inflammation
- Translational Medicine
- Skeletal Muscle Inflammation

- · Respiratory Inflammation
- Innate Lymphoid Cells
- Fibrosis
- Predictive Tox
- Inhibitory Receptors/Immune Checkpoints and Immunotherapeutics
- The Neutrophil: An Old Dog with New Tricks
- Therapeutic Targets in RA
- And more!

Please check the congress website for the complete list of abstract topics. Submission website opens **January 15, 2015** and closes **April 20, 2015**.

Awards

New Investigator AwardSubmission Deadline: April 6, 2015

The International Association of Inflammation Societies (IAIS) sponsors a competition for the encouragement of young scientists to perform exploratory and applied research in the general area of inflammation. Contestants must be candidates for advanced degrees: M.S., Ph.D., M.D., D.O., D.D.S., D.V.M., graduate students or first year post-doctoral fellows. Through this award, the IAIS wishes to develop a commitment to high quality inflammation research in young scientists.

Lifetime Achievement AwardSubmission Deadline: April 20, 2015

The IAIS Lifetime Achievement Award was established to recognize persons who have made significant scientific contributions in the field of inflammation research over a sustained period. In addition to scientific excellence past awardees have shown outstanding leadership and have mentored many young scientists who have continued their careers in inflammation research. The awardees are selected by a committee consisting of member societies.

Women in Inflammation Science Award *Submission Deadline: April 20, 2015*

Open by nomination only, this award is to recognize and honor individual scientists who have extensively demonstrated scientific excellence in inflammation research and who have, either through leadership or by example, promoted the advancement and development of women in this field.

Poster Competition *Abstract Submission Deadline: April 20, 2015*

Always a focal point of the Inflammation Research Association's (IRA) Conference, the Poster Competition has been part of each IRA conference since the 9th International Conference, when three representatives of the Inflammation Research Association Board formed the judging panel and selected three posters judged to describe work with "the most therapeutic potential." As a nod to our history, the Poster Competition has been revived for the 12th World Congress on Inflammation as a way to encourage scientists to publicly present their novel findings and receive recognition for excellence in research. The Poster Competition is open to authors of posters that describe previously unpublished work. All posters will be considered.

Registration

Registration will open on **January 15, 2015**! Discounted registration fees are offered until June 3, 2015 (11:59 PM, EST).

	EARLY On or before June 3	ADVANCE On or before August 7	ONSITE After August 7
Delegate	\$850	\$950	\$1050
IRA Member	\$800	\$900	\$1000
Student	\$400	\$450	\$500
One-Day Delegate	\$400	\$450	\$500
Companion	\$200	\$200	\$200

For more information on registration, categories, and required documentation, please visit the congress website, **www.inflammation2015.org**.

Housing Information

The WCI housing website will open **January 15**, **2015**. Reservations will be accepted on a first come first served basis and space availability until **July 7**, **2015**.



The hotels listed below have been contracted to offer discounted group rates for WCI attendees. Please do not contact the hotels directly. You must use the official WCI housing site to book your room in order to receive discounted rates.

WCI 2015 Hotels

The Seaport Hotel

200 Seaport Boulevard

Renaissance Boston Waterfront

606 Congress Street

Westin Boston Waterfront

425 Summer Street

All hotels are in walking distance. Rooms go quickly, so be sure to visit the congress website when housing opens!

About Boston, MA

Congress Location

The Congress will take place at the Seaport Hotel and World Trade Center located at 1 Seaport Lane, Boston, Massachusetts 02210. The Seaport's environmental program, Seaport Saves, promotes increasing sustainability and conservation throughout the organization.

The Seaport Hotel and World Trade Center is ideally located in the Seaport District with the rest of the city accessible by foot.

Getting to Boston

By Air - Logan Airport (www.massport.com/logan-airport) is located in East Boston. The Logan Airport website also has sources for aiding travel to and from the airport. *Only 5 minutes from the Seaport Hotel!*

By Car - There are three main routes into Boston:

- I-90 (Massachusetts Turnpike) from the West
- I-95 from the North and South
- I-93 from the North and South

By Subway and Bus (Local) - The Massachusetts Bay Transportation Authority (MBTA) offers an online trip planner (www.mbta.com) that is useful for figuring out how to get to Boston by subway, local bus, and train.

The MBTA Silver Line Waterfront (SL1) provides service from the World Trade Center Station to Logan Airport terminals every 10 minutes during the weekday and every 15 minutes during the weekend. This line also offer direct connection to South Station, where you can pick up the Red and Orange MBTA lines and the commuter rail. The Silver Line transit station is located adjacent to the Seaport Hotel.

By Train - Amtrak (www.amtrak.com) has scheduled train service to Boston from numerous areas in the Northeast Corridor. Amtrak has three Boston stops:

- Route 128
- Back Bay Station
- South Station (convenient if you are staying at the headquarters hotel)

By Bus (Regional) - Nationwide bus companies, such as Greyhound (www.greyhound.com) and Peter Pan (peterpanbus.com), stop downtown at

South Station. Several regional bus companies offer scheduled service from Boston to New Hampshire, Cape Cod, Rhode Island, Connecticut, and New York City.

Visitor's Information

The Greater Boston Convention & Visitors Bureau has an array of brochures, pamphlets and maps for tours, restaurants and other local attractions. Their staff can assist you in planning your trip, purchasing tickets to events, or arranging for transportation. To learn more, please visit their website at www.bostonusa.com.

Getting Around Boston

Walking - Boston is often referred to as "the walking city." The Public Works and Transportation Departments are working diligently to maintain crosswalks, traffic signals, pedestrian push buttons, and pedestrian safety signs. Maps and walking routes are available at Walk Boston. The city of Boston also has a number of trails and walking tours, the first being the Freedom Trail.

Things to Do in Boston

Explore the city where the new and the old are in constant conversation, where cobbled-stone streets meet glass-enclosed shopping galleries, where The Freedom Trail landmarks stand beside cutting edge restaurants and renowned performance theatres brush shoulders with trendy nightclubs.

The top ten places to visit in Boston:

- Freedom Trail (covers many historical Boston landmarks)
- Boston Public Garden
- Museum of Fine Arts
- Fenway Park
- Faneuil Hall/Quincy Market
- New England Aquarium
- Sam Adams Brewery
- Cheers Pub
- Museum of Science
- Duck Tour

Visit www.bostonusa.com for more information.

