

# **CCBIO** Newsletter

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#### **Coming CCBIO events:**

- 20 Oct. PI-Seminar Q4
- 30 Oct. CCBIO Seminar, Boris Hinz.
- 30 Oct. CCBIO Junior Scientist Symposium
- 27 Nov. CCBIO seminar, Bjørn Tore Gjertsen
- 18 Dec. CCBIO seminar, Arne Østman



#### **Director's comments**

It was an inspiration to attend the BBB & CCBIO seminar by Dr. Zena Werb recently. Everybody interested in breast cancer should read her recent Cell-paper (<u>Cheung KJ,</u> <u>Cell 2013 Dec 19;155(7):1639</u>). Popular science and communication are important. *Forskningsdagene UIB* was a successful event, and I would like to thank those of you from CCBIO who helped out. There is another chance next year. <u>Read more here.</u> *CCBIO Research School for Cancer Studies* has been opened, and all planned courses have now been approved. <u>Read more here</u>. Also, the next *CCBIO Junior Scientist Symposium* will be held on October 30, 2014, and the program will be available shortly. Finally, I would like to recommend this week's *BBB-seminar* on 16.10.14 given by Dr. Michael Detmar on *An important role of lymphatic vessels in cancer progression and inflammation*. <u>See abstract.</u>

Lars Akslen

# Professor Zena Werb from UCSF visited Bergen



Invited by Marion and Donald Gullberg, the renowned cancer researcher and science celebrity Zena Werb visited Bergen and held a combined BBB & CCBIO seminar on October 2, 2014. The auditorium was crowded when the professor from the University of California, San Francisco held her presentation titled *New insights into mechanisms underlying breast cancer metastasis*. <u>Read more here.</u>

# **R&D Network event 2015**

Oslo Cancer Cluster has suggested to co-arrange the following R&D Network event with CCBIO and BTO in Bergen next year: "Cancer biomarkers and targeted therapy – an update on different projects in Bergen" **Thursday 15. October 2015** (in Bergen)

# **Popular Angry Cells**

The big tent at the Research Fair was buzzing of people at Festplassen in Bergen Friday 19th and Saturday 20th of September, during the Research Festival 2014. About 20 in total from CCBIO took their turn at the exhibition stand, representing most of the CCBIO research groups. Even with so many attending the stand, it was clear to see that coordinators Monica Mannelqvist and Cornelia

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Schuster and their colleagues had a very busy time! Read more and see more photos here.

# **Potential cooperation with Fudan Cancer Centre**



In late September, Professor Donald Gullberg and PhD Ning Lu visited Fudan and the Nordic Centre in Shanghai. Prior to the visit, the Nordic Centre had assisted Professor Gullberg in establishing contact with researchers at Fudan Cancer Center and help the parties in setting up a meeting. The aim was to explore the possibilities for potential future collaboration within the field of cancer biomarkers. See mention in the <u>Nordic Centre Newsletter</u>.

# **Recent CCBIO in the media**

OnkoNytt No. 1, 2014, page 46-47, <u>CCBIO satser på biomarkører</u>, Lars Akslen. 20.09.2014, BT, <u>Kronisk men ikke dødelig</u>, Henriette Christie Ertsås. 19.09.2014, Vest24, <u>Cellekaos på Festplassen</u>, Henriette Christie Ertsås, and others.

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CCBIO satser på

biomarkører

#### **Recent publications**

You can find the last 6 weeks' publications on this link.

## **Next CCBIO seminar**

Remember the next CCBIO seminar with pizza get-together afterwards, **Thursday, 30 October.** Speaker: **Boris Hinz** from the Laboratory of Tissue Repair and Regeneration, University of Toronto, Canada. Abstract will be announced. See overview of the <u>CCBIO seminars here</u>.

## **Next CCBIO Junior Scientist Symposium**

Next Junior Scientist Symposium is **30 October.** Contact person is Elisabeth Wik. See overview of the <u>CCBIO</u> Junior Scientist Symposia here.