

ISN NEXUS SYMPOSIA - CALL FOR PROPOSALS

ISN's Nexus Symposia have become popular venues for the exploration of emerging or currently unmet but important clinical problems in kidney diseases by facilitating the "translation" of latest scientific research into clinical practice. This highly interactive bench-to bedside-to-bench approach is intended to foster translational dialogue, create cross-disciplinary exchange and stimulate concrete therapeutic solutions.

Previous successful topics included Bone and the Kidney, Hypertension and the Kidney, Diabetes and the Kidney (Diabetic Nephropathy) and Transplantation and the Kidney (Chronic Allograft Dysfunction). The next Nexus Symposium is entitled "New era of drug discovery and clinical trials in kidney disease" and will be held in Bergamo, Italy from April 3 – 6, 2014.

The ISN is currently seeking proposals from interested "Organizers" for clinically relevant topics that would lend themselves for examination in the ISN Nexus Format for symposia in 2015 and beyond.

Topics must be focused yet broad enough to attract a mixed multidisciplinary audience of scientists and clinicians engaging in a lively exchange over 2 ½ days exploring the topic and its various aspects in a program format consisting of invited presentations and submitted abstracts, panel discussions, Q&A sessions and poster sessions. The clinical to research ratio should be at least 50:50

Any topic should be relevant enough to attract an attendance of 500 - 750 international attendees in order to create the successful lively yet still intimate and interactive concept of the symposium.

Proposed topics must make the program commercially viable for the ISN.

The overall logistical organization of ISN's Nexus Symposia will be managed by the ISN events staff. Applying "Organizers" will be responsible for the scientific content of the meeting and may be consulted on other Symposium related matters (a description of roles and responsibilities is available upon request).

To express your interest, please contact the ISN Nexus Symposium Core Committee Chair, Dr. Kumar Sharma at info@theisn.org with the following information:

- Topic and listing of key elements covered by the program (research, clinical and translational topics)
- Description of therapeutic importance and clinical unmet need as well as ongoing research that will provide for lively exchange on the topic (including references).
- Target audience
- Justification of timeliness of the topic
- Recommendations of possible dates and locations

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