PRESS RELEASE

Science City, Department of Higher Education, Government of Tamil Nadu in association with the Centers for Biotechnology, Anna University, IIT Madras, Tamil Nadu Veterinary and Animal Sciences University and the Department of Biochemistry, University of Madras has proposed to organize a 7-day Awareness Campaign on genetic Engineering for the benefit of post Graduate students, research scholars and newly inducted faculty members.

The program will cover areas such as Principles of Genetic Engineering, Genetic Engineering and Health Care, Modern Genetic Engineering and Agriculture, Role of Genetic Engineering in Industrial Biotechnology, Role of Genetic Engineering in Animal Science, Bio Informatics, Future Perspectives in Genetic Engineering, Web Resources etc.. The morning sessions will comprise of lectures and interactive sessions and the afternoon sessions will comprise of laboratory sessions. In the laboratory sessions students will be exposed to basic genetic engineering techniques and its potential applications such as diagnostic methods using genetically engineered proteins, oocyte harvesting, egg inoculation, stem cell isolation from blood – detection of OCT4 and CD 34 as markers by western immunoblotting and immunolocalisation large scale recombinant expression of therapeutic protein, Isolation of DNA etc.,

The program is scheduled to be held from 6th to 13th August 2007. Students interested in participating in this program may register their names with the Office of the Science City, Planetarium Campus, Gandhi Mandapam Road, Chennai – 600 025. For further details please contact Office of the Science City on 24454054, 24454034 or 9884140347. Only 75 students will be selected for the program on first cum first serve basis. Registration closes on 31st July 2007.

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