



Dear colleagues,

The tradition of an annual meeting of the PhD students of the Innsbruck Medical University began almost four years ago. We would like to take this opportunity to introduce our current team which consists of speakers from different programmes and the three elected ÖH representatives. Please don't hesitate to contact us if you have any questions or face any problem concerning your PhD studies (phd@i-med.ac.at).

Daniela Weiskopf: Aging of Biological Communication Systems

Daniela Ortner: Regulation of Gene Expression

Krista Trappl: Biocenter students representative

Claudia Granbichler: Neuroscience

Katherine Patsch: Molecular Cell Biology

Andrea Schroll and Custodio Bila: Infectious Diseases

We would also like to invite you to the **4th Meeting of Doctoral students** of the Medical University of Innsbruck, which will take place November, 21st. We are proud to announce Prof. Sylvia Knapp, from the Center of Molecular Medicine of the Austrian Academy of Sciences as this year's speaker for the plenary lectures. The poster sessions of the meeting should give you the opportunity to present your work to a broad audience of students, group leaders and professors. A jury will select the best three posters and they will be awarded with 500€, 400€ and 200€, respectively. The **deadline for abstract submission is October 31st, 2008**. For details concerning abstract and poster guidelines or any further information visit our homepage www.i-med.ac.at/oeh/phd. Please add the name of your programme in which you are enrolled and submit your abstract to phd@i-med.ac.at. We are looking forward to your participation.

With best regards on behalf of the organizing committee:

Daniela Weiskopf, Daniela Ortner and Krista Trappl