

(OP 93) Educational Aspects of Tissue Engineering: the Perspective of Students and Young Investigators

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The Students and Young Investigators Section (SYIS) of TERMIS-EU aims to bring together an international community of students and young investigators engaged or interested in different aspects of science and technology of tissue engineering and regenerative medicine.

An essential aspect to accomplish this purpose is to promote education improving informed and current discussion on the scientific challenges and therapeutic developed technologies. A platform for the “next generation” of scientists in the field of tissue engineering and regenerative medicine can only be generated if their opinion, career expectations, motivations and needs are considered.

Several issues related with the multidisciplinary nature of regenerative medicine field were assessed within the S & YI section. This survey will give an outlook on different issues including: (i) opinion on Master/PhD/Post-Doc programmes; (ii) most relevant subjects/skills to include in their respective programmes; (iii) best format to deliver this information and enhance professional development; (iv) awareness of the students for activities, such as short courses, currently being organized; (v) understanding of the development of the area and the value of their contribution; and (vi) how S & YI see their future in a tissue engineering and regenerative medicine related area.

These issues will be explored in this presentation having in consideration the perspectives and opinions of Students and Young Investigators of different nationalities and from different backgrounds.