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Newsletter of the Anatomical Society

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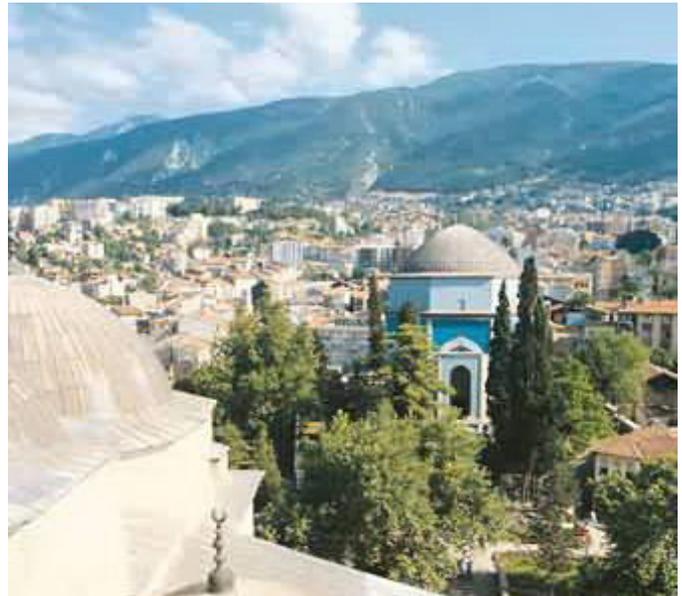
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Welcome to the March issue of Anastomosis. In this issue, we bring you the latest news from our members and keep you updated on upcoming deadlines. We also highlight some interesting news articles from the past month.

## Mark your diary!

The Turkish Society of Anatomy and Clinical Anatomy (TSCA) host a **Joint Meeting of the Anatomical Societies in Bursa, Turkey from 19-22<sup>nd</sup> May 2011**. This joint meeting of the Anatomical Societies of Great Britain and Ireland, Germany, Italy, Spain, Switzerland and Turkey will include symposia on 'Neuroanatomy Education', 'Translational Research in Epilepsy', 'Steroids in the Brain', 'Neuroimaging' and 'Human and Experimental Encephalopathies' in addition to sessions on Neuroanatomy, Education, Microscopic and Clinical Anatomy. To register visit:

<http://www.jointmeeting2011bursa.org/registration>



## Imminent deadline!

Are you considering holding a departmental seminar? Do you have a guest speaker in mind? If so, the Society provides a scheme to provide financial assistance to Departments in funding of visiting speakers for seminars. For more information, and to apply for a **Departmental Seminar Grant** before the April deadline visit the society website at [www.anatsoc.org.uk/](http://www.anatsoc.org.uk/).

## Anastomosis Best Image Prize 2011

Beginning January 2011, the Society commenced accepting entries for the **best image published in Anastomosis**. **Two prizes** will be awarded, with the best images chosen from all images submitted by members of the Society to Anastomosis. Don't forget to turn those cameras on! And send in your entries!

## Journal of Anatomy

Did you know that aquatic mammals have relatively large, complex respiratory turbinates and greatly reduced olfactory turbinates compared with terrestrial species? Blaire Van Valkenburgh and her colleagues discuss how increased respiratory surface area likely evolved to minimize heat loss, while olfactory surface area probably diminished due to a decreased reliance on olfaction when foraging under water. Read more in the **March issue of Journal of Anatomy** at:

<http://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/doi/10.1111/j.1469-7580.2010.01329.x/abstract>

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Matt Kaeberlein and Brian Kennedy present the fourth installment of the annual Hot Topics review on mRNA translation and aging in the **April 2011 issue of Aging Cell**. In this review they present recent findings related to the role of TOR signaling in aging, including the potential for TOR inhibitors as therapeutic treatments for Alzheimer's disease. Read more at: <http://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/doi/10.1111/j.1474-9726.2010.00665.x/abstract>

## Other news

### Assessors for Degree Accreditation Programme

The Society of Biology is currently developing a Degree Accreditation Programme with the aim of addressing identified skills gaps in graduates and ensuring a pipeline into research and innovation roles in academia and industry. A Pilot programme will be launched this summer, initially focusing on the Accreditation of Biochemistry and *in vivo* science courses. The Society of Biology is now recruiting Assessors for the Accreditation Programme, initially for the pilot program. Honoraria will be provided to all Assessment Panel members. Suitable nominations, together with a full CV should be sent to Dr Eva Sharpe at [evasharpe@societyofbiology.org](mailto:evasharpe@societyofbiology.org)

### Collaboration to strengthen clinical research in Wales

An initiative to increase clinical research capacity and build links with industry and other research funders has been launched by Wales's National Institute for Social Care and Health Research (NISCHR). The initiative has been established to create an all-Wales collaboration between health boards, NHS trusts and universities to strengthen clinical research.

<http://wales.gov.uk/newsroom/healthandsocialcare/2011/110303collaboration/?lang=en>

## Vacancies

**University College Cork** is currently advertising the position of **Chair in Anatomy**. The Department of Anatomy at University College Cork is active in neuroscience research and teaches both anatomy and neuroscience. Closing Date for applications is: 12 noon, Thursday 31<sup>st</sup> March 2011. For further information see [www.ucc.ie/hr/vacancies/academic](http://www.ucc.ie/hr/vacancies/academic).

## Send us your news!

If you have any news, events, announcements, comments or letters that you like to see published in the newsletter, send us an email.

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