IRDiRC MAY 2014 UPDATE
for Executive Committee, Scientific Committees, and Working Groups

The IRDiRC Shenzhen Conference is now highlighted on the homepage of the IRDiRC website. The conference website has been launched and registration will open before the end of May.

IRDiRC new documents


- Working Group on Biomarkers for disease progression and therapy response: report of the teleconference held on April 11, 2014.

News published on the website

- A case for conducting genomic and clinical data sharing within the human rights framework.

- EMA takes its cue from the European Parliament to increase transparency.
The **CLARITY Challenge**: a novel approach towards standardizing clinical genome sequencing

**IRDiRC related calls**

- The Joint Programme – Neurodegenerative Disease Research (JPND) in collaboration with the French National Research Agency (ANR) has launched a rapid action call to establish working groups to enhance the use of existing longitudinal cohort studies for neurodegenerative disease research, in the context of JPND.

**Website updates**

- The IRDiRC related calls section is now categorized based on deadlines.
- The Research highlights section is now categorized by year.
- IRDiRC PowerPoint, poster and flyer are now available on the private website for the Executive Committee members.
- The IRDiRC sessions at conferences section has been updated with the addition of several sessions about IRDiRC.
- The IRDiRC in the news section has been updated with the addition of one article mentioning IRDiRC from the National Agency of Research (ANR, France).

**New lists of research projects funded by IRDiRC members**

- The Telethon Foundation list of research projects for 2014 has been updated.

**Other news**

- Lilian Lau, PhD, has joined the IRDiRC Scientific Secretariat as project manager.
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