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Dear Colleague,

The community of researchers who study pigment cells is a diverse one. Our work spans tumour biology, dermatology, physiology, cell biology, genetics and genomics, molecular and structural biology and chemistry, and what unites us are the fascinating and important cells that make melanin and other pigments. Whether we are professors, clinicians, postdocs or students our shared interests unite us.

The European Society for Pigment Cell Research is the focus for this community in Europe. We organise the regular European Pigment Cell conferences and provide grants for smaller, more focussed meetings. We also contribute to the International Federation of Pigment Cell Societies and every 3 years participate in the International Pigment Cell Conference. An important role of the ESPCR and IFPCS is to provide grants for postdoc and student members to attend these meetings.

Our partnership with IFPCS and the Society for Melanoma Research sponsors the journal Pigment Cell and Melanoma Research, a great focus for research in our field, and boasting an excellent Impact Factor of 4.6.

If you are a member of ESPCR then I look forward to you renewing your subscription. If you are not yet a member, I urge you to join. Being a member strengthens the links within the European pigment cell community, makes you eligible for travel and meeting grants and gives you access to Pigment Cell and Melanoma Research online and via their new app.

The 20th meeting of the ESPCR will be held in Milan from September 12th to 15th 2016 and is sure to be a great meeting. We look forward to welcoming you there.

Yours sincerely

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