

A brief report on Prof. Jean Francois Dufour's participation in the International Conference on Molecular Signaling (ICMS-2017) at Chennai India 10-12 January 2017

A three day "International Conference on Molecular Signalling – Basics to Applications" was organized by Anna University-KBC (AU-KBC) Research Centre with the aim of bringing together scientists and clinicians in the field of molecular signalling and allied areas from India and abroad to engage in a forum for cell signalling and its application in basic as well as clinical research.

Prof. J.F. Dufour as a panle member for judging Young Scientist Oral Presentations



Dr. Jean Francois Dufour, Professor, Department of Hepatology, University of Bern, Switzerland delivered an invited lecture at the conference. His research work predominantly focuses on Hepatocellular carcinoma and its therapeutics.

He presented on “the effect of physical exercise on reduction of viable tumor cell population in hepatocellular carcinoma”. The extensive laboratory data on measuring tumor size, microvessel growth, cell proliferation in mouse models and transcriptome analysis after physical exercise were accredited by the researchers and triggered the interest in his work among the researchers which made a very interactive discussion session.

Prof. J.F. Dufour presenting the Best Oral Presentation Award



Dr. Dufour participated actively as a panel member to select one of the best oral presentation made by 10 young scientists. He gave away the prize to the best presenters.

During his stay in Chennai, he visited the labs and facilities at AU-KBC Research Center where he had interacted with students and research scientists. He suggested a few leads in a couple of research activities. Specifically, he showed interest in the liver research service unit (LRSU) activity, being a hepatologist. He recommended ways and means of outsourcing clinical services for liver research and also discussed for further improvements and global collaboration.