Biocuration 2013 – Registration & Travel fellowships

The early bird registration deadline for the 6th Biocuration Conference 2013, is on February 25th. http://www.ebi.ac.uk/biocuration2013/

The International Society for Biocuration and the Biocuration Conference 2013 are pleased to provide travel fellowships to students, junior curators and people from low income countries or countries suffering from natural disasters. Application deadline is March 1, 2013. http://www.ebi.ac.uk/biocuration2013/content/travel-fellowships

Other conferences of interest

Critical Assessment of Information Extraction in Biology (http://www.biocreative.org/) is a community-wide effort for evaluating text mining and information extraction systems applied to the biological domain. Building on the success of the previous BioCreative Challenge Evaluations and Workshops (BioCreative I, II, II.5, III, and 2012 workshop) [1-5], the BioCreative Organizing Committee will host the BioCreative IV Challenge (http://www.biocreative.org/events/biocreative-iv/CFP/) at NCBI, National Institutes of Health, Bethesda, Maryland, on October 7-9, 2013.
**Calls for papers**

**Bio-Ontologies SIG 2013**
July 20, 2013, Berlin, Germany. (Co-located with ISMB/ECCB 2013)
Submissions due: April 12th, 2013
www.bio-ontologies.org.uk/submissions

**International Conference on Biomedical Ontologies (ICBO ‘13)**
Workshop and tutorial proposal submission and conference papers are closed.
15 April 2013: System, early career and workshop paper submission deadline.
20 May 2013: Submission of late breaking reports and highlight track papers.
1 June 2013: Notification of acceptance of late breaking reports and highlight-track papers.
http://www.unbsj.ca/sase/csas/data/ws/icbo2013/

**First annual Ontology Issue of the Journal of Biomedical Semantics (JBMS)**
Short summary must be sent by 30 April, 2013.
Full papers are due by May 31, 2013.
The Ontology Issue will be published by the end of 2013.

**BioNLP Shared Task 2013 at the BioNLP’11 Workshop**
Aug. 8-9 2013, Sofia, Bulgaria
The BioNLP ST workshop will be co-hosted with the ACL/HLT 2013 BioNLP workshop.
For further information, please see the shared task website http://2013.bionlp-st.org/

**Training opportunities**

**Protein databases and software at SIB Swiss Institute of Bioinformatics**
From March 18th to 22nd 2013, in Lausanne, Switzerland, train with the leaders and developers of key protein databases and software at SIB Swiss Institute of Bioinformatics. Detailed program, course information and registration procedure at:

**NCBO Hackathon:** April 29-30, 2013 at Stanford University, CA.
This event will focus on projects in biomedical or clinical informatics that can benefit from use of ontology-based technology. Training on the NCBO Web services, the BioPortal SPARQL endpoint, and other topics of interest requested by participants
Job opportunities

- Software developer, NISEED team at CRBM, Montpellier, France
- Postdoctoral Researcher, New York Botanical Garden, Bronx, New York, USA

Visit [http://biocurator.org/jobs.shtml](http://biocurator.org/jobs.shtml) for details

Executive Committee Meetings
The ISB Executive Committee meets monthly. Minutes from the meetings are posted on the ISB website [http://www.biocurator.org/executive_committee_minutes.html](http://www.biocurator.org/executive_committee_minutes.html)

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