This is the second newsletter of the World Congress of the Tissue Engineering and Regenerative Medicine International Society (TERMIS 2021) which will take place from 15-19 November 2021 in Maastricht (The Netherlands).

With this newsletter we would like to inform you about the progress of the TERMIS 2021 World Congress. More specifically, we would like to inform you about Maastricht, announce one of the plenary speakers and remind you to submit your abstract.

You can read more about the congress here: [www.termis.org/wc2021](http://www.termis.org/wc2021).

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**Maastricht**

Maastricht is located in the southeast of the Netherlands, close to the borders of both Belgium and Germany. As a city, is the oldest in the Netherlands with historical architecture and a thriving community. With the Brightlands campuses leading the way in materials, health, and biotechnology research, Maastricht is a centre for innovation and is fast becoming recognised as an international bio hub on the world stage. Benefitting from having everything within walking distance, Maastricht is a really pleasant city to take a stroll, through lively squares, winding streets, and along the river Maas. Within a couple of hours of Maastricht there are 8 Airports including Eindhoven, Brussels Zaventem, and Dusseldorf, with some airline providing onward travel by coach to Maastricht.

*Maastricht in 7 minutes*

For an overview of Maastricht in 7 minutes, please watch the video [here](http://www.termis.org/wc2021).
Dr. Shruti Naik is an Assistant Professor at New York University School of Medicine. She received her Ph.D. in Immunology from the University of Pennsylvania-National Institutes of Health Graduate Partnership Program. There she discovered that normal bacteria living on our skin, known as the commensal microbiota, educate the immune system and help protect us from harmful pathogens. Her work unveiled how immune cells work with our microbial partners to prevent disease and has opened the door for microbiota-based therapies in the skin. As a Damon Runyon Cancer Research Fellow at the Rockefeller University, Naik found that epithelial stem cells can harbour a memory of inflammation which boosts their regenerative abilities. The Naik lab studies the dynamic interactions between immune cells, epithelial cells, and microbes in the skin with a focus on 3 major areas of research: Tissue regeneration and cancer, host-microbe interactions, and early in life immunity.

Naik is a strong advocate for increasing diversity in science and promoting the advancement of underrepresented and marginalized groups. For her research and advocacy, she has received numerous awards including the Regeneron Award for Creative Innovation, the L’Oréal For Women in Science Award, the Damon Runyon Dale F. Frey Award for Breakthrough Scientist, the Sartorius and Science Prize Finalist for Regenerative Medicine and Cell Therapy, the Trn- Institution Breakout Award, the Blavatnik Award for Young Scientists and the International Takeda Innovators in Science Award.

Abstract Submission Still Open.
Do not miss this opportunity!

Due to the postponement of the congress to November 2021, the abstract submission has re-opened until 31 January 2021. Your input on the program is very important to us and therefore we would like to remind you to submit your abstract for the TERMIS 2021 World Congress.

Please note that if you have already submitted an abstract, you will also be able to make amendments to your abstract until the deadline.

Submit abstracts here
Detailed instructions can be found here

Submission Deadline: 31 January 2021
Contact Us

More information can be found on the conference website, www.termis.org/wc2021 or by email to info@termis2021.org.

We are looking forward to welcoming you to Maastricht.