LOCATION, LOCATION, LOCATION: THE MATRIX AND THE MICROENVIRONMENT
March 30th-31st 2015,
St. Catherine’s College, (Bernard Sunley Building),
University of Oxford, Manor Road, Oxford, OX1 3UJ

Monday 30th March

11.00 – 12.40 Registration
12.45 – 1.00 Welcome and Introductory Remarks (Kim Midwood)

1.00 – 2.30 Session 1 – Cancer: the metastatic niche and the cancer stem cell

1.00 – 1.30 Janine Erler (University of Copenhagen, Denmark)
Lysyl oxidases in cancer progression

1.30 – 1.45 selected abstract

1.45 – 2.00 selected abstract

2.00 – 2.30 Giulia Taraboletti (Mario Negri Institute, Italy)
Thrombospondin-1 type 3 repeats in tumor angiogenesis and response to therapy

2.30 – 4.00 Poster Session & Trade Stands with tea/coffee
(3.00 – 3.30 AGM)

4.00-5.30 Session 2 – Development

4.00 – 4.30 Frank Zaucke (University of Cologne, Germany)
The role of matricellular proteins in skeletal development and disease

4.30 – 4.45 selected abstract

4.45 – 5.00 selected abstract

5.00 – 5.30 Kurt Hankenson (University of Pennsylvania, USA)
R-spondins, novel matricellular regulators of Wnt-signaling and bone formation

5.30 – 6.15 Fell Muir Lecture and Presentation
Professor Bjorn Olsen – Harvard Medical School

6.15 – 7.00 Posters and drinks reception

7.00 – late Conference Dinner
Tuesday 31st March

9.00–10.30  Session 3 – Inflammation and Immunity

Chairs:

9.00 – 9.30  Stephane Heymans (Maastricht University, Netherlands)

Osteoglycin and SPARC (osteonectin) modulate cardiac inflammation and fibrosis in the failing heart

9.30 – 9.45  selected abstract

9.45 – 10.00  selected abstract

10.00 – 10.30  Dave Thornton (University of Manchester)

The neglected matrix: mucins in immunity in the lung and intestine.

10.30 – 11.15  Tea/Coffee & Biscuits (Posters & Trade Stands)

11.15–12.45  Session 4 – Open session (Junior Investigators and Postdocs)

Chairs: TBA

11.15 – 11.30  selected abstract

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12.45 – 2.15  Lunch (Posters & Trade Stands)

2.15 – 3.45  Session 5 – Targeting the extracellular niche in disease

Chairs: TBA

2.15 – 2.45  Jack Lawler (Harvard University, USA)

The effect of thrombospondin-1 (TSP-1) on vascular endothelial growth factor (VEGF) in endothelial cells and epithelial ovarian cancer cells

2.45 – 3.00  selected abstract

3.00 – 3.15  selected abstract

3.15 – 3.45  Dario Neri (Institute of Pharmaceutical Sciences, Zurich)

Engineering therapeutic agents to target the ECM

3.45 – 4.00  Prizes and Close of Meeting

4.00 – 7.00  BSMB Committee meeting