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EMBO welcomes 55 leading life scientists as members

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Fifty-five life scientists from Europe and around the world were today recognised by EMBO for their excellence in research. Forty-eight of the researchers are from Europe and neighbouring countries while seven scientists from Argentina, Australia, South Korea and the United States join as Associate Members. In total, EMBO membership now comprises almost 1,550 life scientists in the international scientific community.

EMBO elects new members annually on the basis of scientific excellence. The new members represent a broad cross-section of the life sciences. The latest scientists to join the group come from 17 different countries and include 13 female scientists recognized for their contributions to life science research.

The new nominees include the first ever Associate Members in South Korea and Argentina. "Our members are the basis for the excellent international reputation of EMBO and its increasingly global orientation. We welcome this group of exceptional scientists and look forward to their fresh input and ideas," said EMBO Director Maria Leptin.

The selected researchers will help shape the direction of the life sciences in Europe and beyond by their involvement with the activities of the organization. EMBO Members provide scientific input such as acting on advisory editorial boards of the four scientific journals of the organization, serving on selection

committees for EMBO Programmes and giving general advice to the scientific community.

A list of all new EMBO Members and Associate Members accompanies this announcement.

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Manuela Baccarini, Austria
Shankar Balasubramanian, UK
Cosima Tatiana Baldari, Italy
Lucia Banci, Italy
Axel Behrens, UK
Monsef Benkirane, France
Ewan Birney, UK
Cédric Blanpain, Belgium
Jannie Borst, Netherlands
Paola Bovolenta Nicolao, Spain
Jens C. Brüning, Germany
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Jane Clarke, UK Fabrizio d'Adda di Fagagna, Italy Ulrike Gaul, Germany Pascal Genschik, France Urs Greber. Switzerland William A. Harris. UK Urs Jenal, Switzerland Torben Heick **Jensen**, Denmark Ludger **Johannes**, France Kai Johnsson, Switzerland Jos M.M. **Jonkers**, Netherlands Stefan H.E. Kaufmann, Germany Michel Labouesse, France Andreas Ladurner, Germany Nils-Göran Larsson, Germany Andreas Lüthi, Switzerland

Laura Machesky, UK Paul Martin, UK William Martin, Germany Raúl **Méndez**, Spain Eric Miska, UK May-Britt Moser, Norway Béla Novák, UK Nancy **Papalopulu**, UK Chris Ponting, UK Thomas **Preat**, France Michael **Sattler**, Germany François **Schweisguth**, France Luca **Scorrano**, Switzerland Maria Sibilia, Austria Thomas Surrey, UK Sarah A. Teichmann, UK

Antoine **Triller**, France Sabine **Werner**, Switzerland

NEW ASSOCIATE MEMBERS 2012

Vishva **Dixit**, US
V. Narry **Kim**, Republic of Korea
Alberto R. **Kornblihtt**, Argentina
Eric S. **Lander**, US
Ruth **Lehmann**, US
Ronald D. **Vale**, US
David L. **Vaux**, Australia

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EMBO is an organization of 1500 leading life scientist members that fosters new generations of researchers to produce world-class scientific results. EMBO helps young scientists to advance their research, promote their international reputations and ensure their mobility. Courses, workshops, conferences and scientific journals disseminate the latest research and offer training in cutting-edge techniques to maintain high standards of excellence in research practice. EMBO helps to shape science and research policy by seeking input and feedback from our community and by following closely the trends in science in Europe.

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