

We are excited to inform you that the Faculty of Applied and Computer Sciences at the Vaal University of Technology will be co-hosting the 2nd International Conference on Tissue Engineering and Regenerative Medicine (ICTERM) with Prof. Keolebogile Motaung of the Department of Biomedical Sciences in the Faculty of Science of the Tshwane University of Technology and Prof Antonios Mikos of Rice University, Houston, Texas from July 26-30, 2017, in Vanderbijlpark, South Africa. The theme for the conference is 'The future of regenerative medicine in Africa'.

The International Conference on Tissue Engineering and Regenerative Medicine brings together distinguished clinicians and scientists from around the world, working in the following areas: stem cells, scaffolds and biomaterials, bone and cartilage tissue engineering, tissue repair and regeneration, conventional and alternative regenerative therapeutics, medical law and bio-ethics as well as regenerative medicine market and commercialization. This will enhance the interaction between young aspiring scientists, students from academia and national laboratories.

During the five-day conference, experts in the field of tissue regeneration and regenerative medicine will discuss recent advances, challenges and breakthroughs in the field of tissue engineering. The talks will cover basic science studies, clinical trials and translational efforts. Novel aspects of tissue engineering and regenerative medicine will also be showcased.

The conference will feature keynote addresses, plenary sessions and lectures focusing on different perspectives of tissue regeneration. The conference will showcase VUT and the Vaal region to the world and will serve as a platform for local researchers and students to initiate collaborative relationships within Africa and globally. It is hoped that ICTERM 2017 will make a meaningful contribution to the existing knowledge base in this field and motivate talented young people to pursue the field of tissue engineering. We look forward to welcoming you at the conference and your cooperation would be instrumental in the success of this venture.

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