IRTG 914 - Advanced Methods Course - winter semester 2018/19

Hemostasis and immune system

Date: Tuesday, February 26, 2019 & Thursday, February 28, 2019

Topic:

Besides their well-known roles in hemostasis, components of the coagulation and fibrinolytic system are increasingly recognized as integral parts of immune responses. Conversely, there is emerging evidence that immune cells actively participate in thrombus formation. This lecture will cover the principles of interactions among coagulation, fibrinolysis, and the immune system. In addition, novel aspects in this expanding research field will be covered.

In order to investigate the interplay of hemostasis and the immune system, the use of appropriate in vivo models is indispensable. This hands-on course will familiarize the participants with different techniques allowing the visualization of interactions among leukocytes, platelets, and corpuscular/humoral components of the coagulation and fibrinolytic system in the vasculature.

Supervisors:

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Literature:

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Location:

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Note: The number of participants is limited for this course. Registration beforehand is required (irtg914@med.uni-muenchen.de).