

Delegate briefing

Welcome to the 37th European Symposium on Calcified Tissues

Arriving in Scotland

If you are an EU citizen, you must either present a passport or an ID card valid for the duration of your stay in order to enter Scotland for tourist visits of up to three months. Citizens of other countries must have a valid passport. Some non-EU citizens are required to produce a visa. Please contact your travel agent or the nearest UK diplomatic post for further information. Should you need a letter of invitation to register to obtain an Entry Visa, please contact MCI. Please note that we cannot enter into correspondence with the Scottish Authorities on your behalf and any invitation letter does not imply any financial liability on our part. For more information, please go to: www.ukvisas.gov.uk/en/doingneedvisa/commonwealthcountries

Travelling from Glasgow International Airport to the city centre

COACH

Delegates can use the **Glasgow Flyer 500 service** which is operated by Arrival in association with BAA Glasgow. This direct journey into the City Centre departs every 10 minutes from Stand number 1 in the boarding area as you exit the terminal building. The 500 service incorporates stops in close proximity to several accommodation locations. A single journey is £4.20 and an open return of up to 4 weeks is £6.50, you can buy tickets in advance online for this service. For further information including timetables & route maps visit: www.glasgowflyer.com/

TAXIS

On arrival at the airport delegates can call and book a taxi with **Glasgow Taxis** on +44 (0) 141 429 7070 These are the “black cabs” that you’ll see in and around the city. As a conference delegate, please quote the code **CVB** to the operator upon booking and you will be entitled to a £4.00 reduction from the standard journey price which would usually be £19.00 from the Airport to the City Centre. For further information on Glasgow Taxis visit: www.glasgowtaxis.co.uk/services_fare.php

Delegates can also take one of the **Airport Taxis** which are always located immediately outside the terminal building. Glasgow Airport Taxis can also be booked by calling +44 (0) 141 848 6363. The standard fare for these would be £25.00 to the City Centre. For further information on Glasgow Airport Taxis visit: www.glasgowairportaxis.co.uk/glasgow-airport-taxi-c-62.html

Travelling from the city centre to the Scottish Exhibition & Conference Centre

ECTS 2010 will be held at:

Scottish Exhibition & Conference Centre (SECC)
Exhibition Way, Glasgow, G3 8YW, United Kingdom
www.secc.co.uk/

BY RAIL

Delegates can take the Low Level train from Glasgow Central Station to Exhibition Centre which is the station that services the SECC. This service is operated by First Scotrail. The service runs every 9 minutes from Glasgow Central Station and the journey will take 3 minutes. A single journey to the SECC will be £1.20 with a return fare £1.50. Tickets can be purchased in Central Station at the Ticket Desks or at the Automated Kiosks. For further information on the First Scotrail Network including rail timetables visit: www.scotrail.co.uk/

BY COACH

The 757 First Eventlink offers a direct route via the city centre to the Scottish Exhibition & Conference Centre. The service operates every 30 minutes and can be boarded at key locations in the city. A single journey to the SECC will be £1.50 For further information including timetables & route maps visit: www.firstgroup.com/ukbus/scotland/swscot/eventlink/index.php

Travelling around the city

Strathclyde Partnership for Transport – SPT plan and deliver transport solutions across all modes of transport available in the city. SPT work in partnership with each transport provider and their site provides a wealth of information on each transport element together with ticket and journey guides. For further information on SPT visit: www.spt.co.uk/index.aspx

BY SUBWAY

The subway is a circular route of 15 stations covering the centre and west of Glasgow. The route operates an inner circle (travels counter clockwise) and outer circle (travels clockwise), a trip round the entire circle would take only 24 minutes! Monday-Saturday services operate from 6.30am and from 10am on Sunday. Close 11.30pm (Monday-Saturday) and 6.00pm - Sunday. Trains run every 6-8 minutes and all trains stop at all stations. A flat fare applies to any one journey on the subway; adult single tickets are currently priced at £1.00, £2.00 for a return. For full information on times, fares, frequency and tickets please visit:

www.spt.co.uk/subway/ For a route map of the Subway network visit:
www.spt.co.uk/subway/using_the_subway.aspx

BY RAIL

Glasgow has two major train stations, Glasgow Central servicing the South and Glasgow Queen Street servicing Edinburgh and the North. You can easily navigate your way around the city departing from either one of these stations. For all rail enquires and for further information including timetables, visit:

www.scotrail.co.uk/

BY BUS

First Bus Glasgow is the largest bus operating company in Scotland. With over 1000 buses in operation there will certainly be a service which will travel along the most appropriate route for you. For further information on First Bus services in Glasgow, including fares, routes & timetables, please visit:

www.firstgroup.com/ukbus/scotland/swscot/home/

Registration

Report to the registration desk to receive your delegate bag which will include the Abstract CD-ROM and Abstract Book if purchased (you will receive a voucher to either get the abstract book or CD-ROM at the Congress bags/Abstract Book/CD ROM desk), Programme Book, tickets for Meet the Professor Sessions, CME evaluation form, tickets booked for social events and other flyers. Prior to the meeting all registered delegates will receive an e-mail, with a personal bar code. This will allow you to get your badge directly from the bar code scanners and avoid any queuing. The badge must be worn at all times to allow access into the Conference Centre.

Programme, Abstracts & On-line Itinerary Planner

For the first time this year the ECTS is offering all delegates a tool that enables you to plan your time at ECTS 2010. Use the [on-line itinerary planner](#) to browse through the programme and abstracts. Select each session that you want to attend and add it to your own personal itinerary. When you have finished you can print or download your plan and the abstracts that you are interested in. You can return and change your plan at any time!

Meet the Professor Sessions

A number of Meet the Professor Sessions will be held on Sunday, Monday and Tuesday. Numbers will be limited to 50 per session. Entry will be by ticket only, to be collected on a first-come first-served basis from the registration desk on the day of the session. Boxed lunches may be collected for consumption during the sessions in the Foyer close to the session rooms.

CME Certificates

If you require a CME certificate you MUST fill in the evaluation form which you find in the delegate bag. Please hand this in to the registration staff before you leave the meeting in exchange for your certificate of attendance.

Information for Presenters

If you are speaking or presenting a poster please read the presenters guidelines which can be found in the [download section](#) of the conference website.

Social Events

Using the [on-line registration form](#), reserve a place for the Welcome Reception, Postdoc Social Event, Football Tournament and Conference Party – act quickly as tickets are selling out fast!

Commercial Exhibition

ECTS is extremely grateful to all sponsors and exhibitors who are supporting the conference. Visit the [virtual exhibition plan](#) to find out which companies will be in attendance and check the meeting website for more information about [satellite symposia programmes](#). For the first time this year the ECTS has introduced Scientific Booths where companies, who have submitted research abstracts to the meeting, will have company scientists present in a non-commercial setting to discuss their data and to answer any questions. Delegates are invited to attend these booths to find out more.

Disclaimer

We kindly ask that you read the information listed in the [disclaimer section](#) of the ECTS website.

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