

The Pigmentary System: Securing a Place Under the Sun

Pan American Society for Pigment Cell Research

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Hamilton Eye Institute, UTHSC, Memphis, TN



The conference will focus on recent advances in pigment cell biology interfacing with other areas of research such as dermatology, basic biology, neurobiology, endocrinology, immunology, photobiology, ophthalmology, pathology, biochemistry, chemistry, physics and cancer research. The program will represent a unique blend of basic, translational and clinical science. It is expected that new avenues in pigment cells research will be discussed and future directions proposed to place this field on the forefront of basic and life sciences.



Meeting venue and environment: Memphis, situated in the southwestern corner of picturesque Tennessee, is a thriving community of about one million, perched on bluffs that overlook the Mississippi River. The climate is moderate. For the lover of the arts, there are museums and galleries, a symphony orchestra, a ballet company and numerous community theater groups. When it's time to relax, one can enjoy fine restaurants representing cuisines from around the world. Memphis is renowned as the birthplace of the blues, and this musical tradition lives on in the clubs and cafes of Beale Street. While in Memphis, you are invited to experience a trip to Graceland. The tour leads you through Elvis Presley's amazing journey to superstardom. You can also visit Elvis's Automobile Museum and board his custom jets. Please visit www.elvis.com for more information.

Other sites to visit: Civil Right Museum, Gibson Factory. Nashville (the capital of the Country Music) and Tunica with its multiple Casinos are also within driving distance.

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