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– Update –

Gengage publications

The report of the Second Annual Conference – *New Frontiers in teaching genetics* – is now available on the website at:

<http://www.gengage.org.uk/publications-events.php?id=4>

– News: Upcoming events –

Judged by Genetics? – Festival of Politics

Scottish Parliament, Committee Room 3 • 17 Aug 2010 13:30

Immigration authorities in many countries routinely use genetic tests to determine biological relatedness of immigrants seeking family reunification, and some are now considering analysing asylum seekers' DNA to verify their country of origin. But what can DNA really tell us about human origins and human relatedness? Does reliance on such testing mean science takes precedence over personal experience? And why should someone's DNA be more important than their personal history?

Organised by: the *ESRC Genomics Policy and Research Forum* and the *British Council*.

Further details: <http://www.festivalofpolitics.org.uk/index.htm>

Cystic Fibrosis - Better Understanding, Better Lives

Glasgow Science Centre • 4 Sept 15:00–17:00

Cystic Fibrosis (CF) is the UK's most common life threatening inherited disease. Only a few decades ago, most patients were not expected to live much beyond infancy, but thanks to medical research, CF patients can now look forward to a bright future.

This event will answer your questions and give you an insight into some cutting edge research that will change lives.

Organized by: *The Glasgow Science Centre* and *The Glasgow Caledonian University*.

Contact: yasmina.khan@glasgowsciencecentre.org for more information.

– Funding opportunities –

Wellcome Trust Society Awards

2010 Theme - GREY MATTERS: Brain, Mind & Culture

Deadline: 12 October 2010

<http://www.wellcome.ac.uk/Funding/Public-engagement/Grants/Society-Awards/index.htm>

– Recent publications and resources –

Nowgen - Education and Schools resources:

http://www.nowgen.org.uk/stories/271-education_and_schools

Gene Jury – Engaging in modern genetics:

<http://www.genejury.biology.ed.ac.uk/>

Glasgow Science Centre – Special Events for school pupils:

http://www.glasgowsciencecentre.org/specialevents_1.aspx

SSERC – Science 3-18 – supporting science and technology education in Scotland: <http://www.science3-18.org/>

– August Events –

Listed below are events taking place in August. Visit our website for further details <http://www.gengage.org.uk/events.php>

Are Friends Electric?

Sunday August 15th • 18.00

Edinburgh International Book Festival

Judged by Genetics? - Festival of Politics

Tuesday August 17th • 13.30

Scottish Parliament, Committee Room 3

Can We All Be Geniuses?

Thursday August 19th • 19.00

Edinburgh International Book Festival

Harder, better, faster, stronger?

Saturday August 28th • 19.00

Edinburgh International Book Festival