# Paints and Colors in Molecular Biology: Requirements and Solutions Kirchhoff-Institute of Physics, Heidelberg June 1-2, 2006

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Specific molecular labelling using fluorescent staining procedures has become a general tool for widespread applications in biology and medicine. New dyes, novel probes and multicolour approaches have considerably increased the specificity and sensitivity for instance of screening techniques or microscopic detection of cells or sub-cellular organelles. For many applications routine protocols and tool kits are (commercially) available. Nevertheless, the improvements of sensitivity, specificity, and velocity of detections systems offer new potentials for biological research and medical diagnostics. Requirements from end-users on one hand and system engineers on the other hand have triggered many investigations of staining technologies using fluorescent dyes and nano-crystals. Therefore, the general goal of the workshop is to present recent developments and novel approaches and applications in this field in order to obtain new experimental insights into the specific conditions and constraints of labelling techniques for microscopic and screening analysis of DNA and proteins in cells and bio-molecules. The information and knowledge being obtained is expected to support both the developers and the users to find optimized integrated methods for research and diagnostic applications.

## Specific Topics to be discussed:

- Novel Dyes for DNA und Proteins
- Nanocrystals
- New Labelling Approaches
- Applications in Microscopy and Microtechnology Arrays

### **Registration:**

Registrations will be accepted until the meeting is filled.

Registration Fee: 25 €

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# **Preliminary Program:**

# Thursday, June 1, 2006

13 h Registration
 13.30 h Welcome
 Scientific lectures - Requirements

 15.30 h Coffeebreak

16 h Scientific lectures - Dyes

19 h Barbecue

# Friday, June 2, 2006

9 h Scientific lectures - Nanocrystals

10. 45 h Coffeebreak

11.15 h Scientific lectures - Applications

13 h Snack

13.30 h Discussion

15 h Departure