After three successful previous schools, the fourth German-Israeli Cancer Research School was held in Kfar Giladi, Israel, from November 13-15, 2011. The school was attended by 22 students/post-docs from both countries.

The scientific program, organised by Howard Cedar and Peter Lichter, included a list of exceptional tutorial presentations given by group leaders from Israel and Germany (primarily from the German Cancer Research Center) covering the topic: Molecular Genetics and Epigenetics of Cancer. All sessions were followed by lively discussions by the students and post-docs and the interactions led to new insights in these fields of research. A positive feedback was given by the participants. (See their comments below).

A special highlight of the scientific program was the outstanding Keynote lecture delivered by Howard Cedar from the Hebrew University.

All the participants enjoyed the friendly atmosphere and the exciting social program, which was organized by the Israeli office and included a tour in the Slik of Kfar Giladi and a visit to the Tel Hai Museum.

The poster session, with oral presentations from the students and post-docs participants turned formed an important part of this School. Three prizes for the best posters were awarded to Gilad Landan (Weizmann Institute), Jana Molitor (DKFZ) and Ioanna Keklikoklou (DKFZ).

The fifth German Israeli Cancer Research School will have the Topic “Metabolism and Cancer” and will take place in Pichl, Austria from December 9-13, 2012.

STATEMENTS OF SOME OF THE PARTICIPANTS

“The idea of having each student present to everyone in the group is a good one”

“In general I can give a good feedback, my expectations were fulfilled and I enjoyed this school very much, also from the non-scientific point of view”.

“Must be continued”

“The meeting was excellent”