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1. ESCMID School. The 5th ESCMID School 2006 will take place from 10 - 16 June in Santander, Spain. It is dedicated to postgraduate and continuous medical education. The programme covers a broad range of relevant topics in Clinical Microbiology and Infectious Diseases, thus being of interest to young MDs at the end of their specialty training as well as to biologists, pharmacists, PhD students and postdoctoral fellows working in the infection field.

If you are supervising younger colleagues who might benefit from the ESCMID School please forward this newsletter to them.

2. Awards and Fellowships 2007. The ESCMID awards and research fellowships for 2007 have been announced on the ESCMID website.

- **ESCMID Award for Excellence**: we especially encourage our affiliated societies to nominate senior scientists for this most prestigious award
- **ESCMID Young Investigator Awards**: to honour outstanding research by scientists below 40 years of age
- **bioMérieux / ESCMID Award for Advances in Clinical Microbiology**: to recognise major contributions to the field of clinical microbiology by young colleagues from Central and Eastern Europe
- **ESCMID Research Fellowships**: to support excellent research by ESCMID members below 40 years of age

Application or nomination deadline is 1 October 2006. We are looking forward to receiving your submissions!

Best regards,

ESCMID Executive Committee