5th International Workshop on the History of Human Genetics

The Biological Future of Man: Continuities and Breaks in the History of Human Genetics, Before and After 1945.

June 21-23, 2012

Invitation

In June 2010, the last international workshop on genetics, history, and medicine, "The Early History of Human Molecular Genetics" took place in Gothenburg, Sweden. This workshop brought together geneticists, historians, and archivists to examine key developments in human molecular genetics. The Fifth International Workshop on the History of Human Genetics will take place as a satellite symposium of the 2012 meeting of the European Society of Human Genetics in Nuremberg.

'Nuernberg' (Nuremberg) has a long and interesting history. The town was founded in the Middle Ages and held the first 'Reichstag' of the Holy Roman Empire. It was also home to a number of famous artists, including Albrecht Duerer. (See: www.nuernberg.de, available in English). During the Third Reich, Nuremberg gained prominence as the location of the 'Reich-



sparteitage' (the Nuremberg Rallies of the Nazi party) and the place where the Nuremberg Laws were enacted in 1935. The workshop will begin with a visit to the Documentation Centre which illustrates not only the history of the Third Reich but also the Nuremberg Trials which took

place in 1945-6. A visit to the site of the Nuremberg Trials is being arranged for those who are interested. Other options will be available on request. It will be a great pleasure to welcome you to Nuremberg to discuss the history of human genetics in the 20th century!

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