

Sirtris Appoints Two New Members to its Scientific Advisory Board

Sirtris, a GSK company, announces the appointments of Shin-ichiro Imai, M.D., Ph.D., and Paolo Sassone-Corsi, Ph.D., to the Sirtris Scientific Advisory Board.

Dr. Imai is Associate Professor in the departments of Developmental Biology and Medicine at the Washington University School of Medicine. His laboratory is devoted to studying the roles of mammalian SIRT1 and NAMPT-mediated NAD biosynthesis in the systemic regulation of metabolism and aging in mammals.

Dr. Sassone-Corsi is Distinguished Professor and Chair of the Department of Pharmacology at the University of California, Irvine. His research focuses on the mechanisms of gene expression, chromatin remodeling and circadian rhythms, and he published the first work demonstrating that SIRT1 is involved in regulating circadian rhythms.

“We are pleased to add Drs. Imai and Sassone-Corsi to our esteemed board of scientific advisors, who represent the leading experts in the fields of aging research and sirtuins,” said George Vlasuk, Ph.D., President and Head of Sirtris.

“Their experience and perspective will be extremely valuable as Sirtris progresses through the next stages of our scientific and clinical development to treat diseases of aging.”