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## **Olympus Names Prestigious Judges for 2008 BioScapes International Digital Imaging Competition**

CENTER VALLEY, Pa., August 26, 2008 - Olympus America today announced the judges for its fifth annual BioScapes International Digital Imaging Competition, which honors the world's finest life science images, both still and moving, as captured through light microscopes. The judges include some of the most widely recognized international researchers and photographers in the biomedical field, reflecting the competition's goal of honoring the world's most striking and significant life science images.

The judges for the 2008 competition are Dr. Claire M. Brown, of McGill University's Life Sciences Complex Imaging Facility in Montreal, Canada; Dr. Douglas Murphy, Director of the Light Microscopy Facility at Howard Hughes Medical Institute, Janelia Farms Research Campus, Ashburn, Va.; Dr. John M. Murray, of the Department of Cell and Developmental Biology at the University of Pennsylvania Medical School, Philadelphia, Pa.; and world-renowned photomicrographer Wim van Egmond of The Netherlands.

The Olympus BioScapes International Digital Imaging Competition focuses on the amazing stories being told through the images and movies captured in today's life science laboratories, and on the remarkable confluence of science and art. The world's foremost forum for recognizing life science images captured through light microscopes, it carries a top prize worth \$5,000. Each entrant can submit up to five still images, image sequences, or movies. Any magnification and any brand of equipment can be used; judges are not given equipment/brand information when judging. Deadline for entering the 2008 competition is September 30; winners will be notified in October, and publicly announced in December. For more information or to enter the competition, visit [www.olympusbioscapes.com](http://www.olympusbioscapes.com).

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