

Announcements

European Society for Neurochemistry (ESN) 5th General Meeting

The fifth meeting of the ESN will be held in Budapest (21–26 August, 1984). Topics on the tentative programmes are: Mechanisms of neurotransmitter release; Neurotransmitter receptors: molecular mechanisms and functional implications (Joint Symposium with ENA); New developments in demyelination and multiple sclerosis (Clinical Symposium); Metabolism of neuropeptides; Alzheimer's disease; Catecholamines and neuroendocrine regulation; Monoamine oxidase inhibitors; clinical aspects; Transmitter immunocytochemistry; Gangliosides and neuronal plasticity; Benzodiazepine and GABA receptors; Cell surface molecules and cell recognition; Neurochemistry of behaviour; Glia and trophic factors; HPLC techniques in neurochemistry; Histamine in brain function; Neurochemistry of migraine; Adenine nucleotides; DNA repair in neurones; Role of dopamine receptors in extrapyramidal systems. Poster communications on any aspect of interest to neurochemists will be welcome. A limited number of small fellowships will be available to young scientists. *For all information contact:* Prof. E.S. Vizi, c/o Congress Secretariat, 5th Meeting of ESN, Motesz, POB 32, Budapest, H-1361, Hungary.

NATO Advanced Study Institute on Toxicology of the Nervous System Belgirate, Italy, September 10–20, 1984

Composed of an integrated series of invited lectures the Course will focus on current concepts and strategies in research on Neurotoxicology. Topics for discussion will include: mechanisms of toxic disorders of the nervous system resulting from low-level chronic exposure; neurotoxic actions of environmental agents and effects of their interactions; methods and model systems in long-term neurotoxicity studies. Panel discussions, round tables and free presentations will be organized in order to encourage exchange of ideas among participants and faculty.

Advisory Board: W. Aldridge (United Kingdom), A. Berlin (CEE), J.B. Cavanagh (United Kingdom), S. Norton (USA), R. Paoletti (Italy), V. Silano (Italy), P.S. Spencer (USA), L. Tomatis (France), G. Vettorazzi (WHO). Directors of the Course will be: C.L. Galli and L. Manzo (Universities of Milan and Pavia, Italy). The attendance is restricted to a maximum of 70 participants. A limited number of grants will be available to defray part of expenses of pre- and post-doctoral trainees.

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