



Serotonin Club Newsletter



Keble College, Oxford

The Next Club Meeting

Oxford, England

17th – 20th July 2008

**Official Satellite to the EPHAR
Meeting in Manchester**

www.ephar2008.org

Registration and abstract submission:

Go to www.ephar2008.org and choose “Abstracts” for abstract submissions or “Registration” and go to the bottom of the page where it has “Serotonin Club Satellite Meeting Fees” and make your selection. ****Online registration should be available by the middle of January.**

Deadline for early registration and abstract submission: 29th February, 2008

Local Organizers:

Trevor Sharp (Oxford, UK), Chairman of Committee

Kevin Fone (Nottingham, UK)

Richard Green (Nottingham, UK)

Charles Marsden (Nottingham, UK)

Nicholas Barnes (Birmingham, UK)

Scientific Program organized by officers and councilors of the Serotonin Club:

President: Charles Marsden (Nottingham, UK)

Past President: Mark Geyer (San Diego, CA)

Vice Presidents: Teresa Branchek (Paramus, NJ)

Francesc Artigas (Barcelona, Spain)

Secretary/Treasurer: Sheryl Beck (Philadelphia, PA)



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Page Lecturer: Joël Bockaert (Univ. Montpellier)

Rapport Lecturer: Dennis Murphy (NIMH, Bethesda)

Scientific Programme:

Maternal, epigenetic and genetic influences in serotonergic development and predisposition to mental illness

Serotonin and the GI tract

Serotonin mechanisms in the pathophysiology and treatment of clinical depression

Genetic, pharmacologic and environmental influences on serotonergic regulation of mood and anxiety

Recent important advances in understanding serotonergic hallucinogen effects and mechanisms

Serotonergic approaches to novel antipsychotics

How to adapt: Stories from the life of the 5-HT_{2C} receptor

Cardiac serotonin receptors –new roles in cardiac physiology and pathophysiology

Serotonin and development: New insights into an old molecule

Tryptophan hydroxylase 2: from biochemistry to behavior

Modelling mental illness using serotonin receptor knockout mice

Modulation of serotonergic function in schizophrenia can improve cognitive function: fact or fiction

Novel aspects of serotonergic signalling

Biology and genetics of the 5-HT transporter

5-HT Imaging in health and disease

The vasculature and 5-HT receptors and systems.

Travel awards

The Serotonin Club will make a limited number of travel awards available to pre- and post-doctoral students who are authoring communications to the Oxford meeting. The size of the award is not yet finalized but will always cover the cost of registration and will, subject to funds available, also try and assist with travel and accommodation costs.

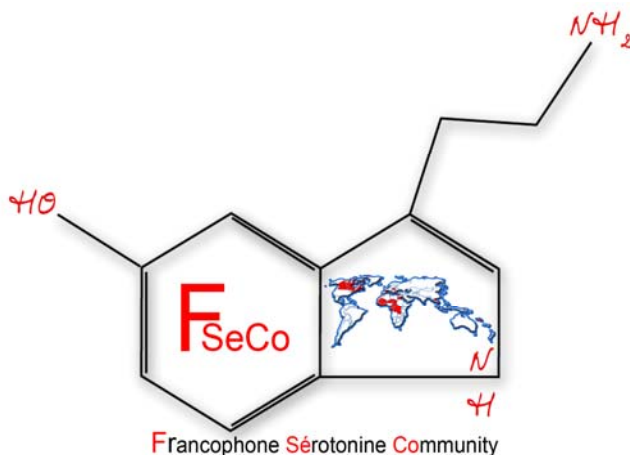
Awards will be available to applicants who are pre-doctoral or no more than 3 years post-doctoral and will be competitive. The awards will be decided by the organisers, whose decision will be final, on the basis of the quality of the submitted abstract.

Please submit all applications to the Secretary/Treasurer (rivers@email.chop.edu), together with a copy of the abstract and a covering letter from the applicant's Head of Department who should confirm the applicant's age, academic status and the fact that sufficient funding is not available from any other source. *Applicants must be members of the Serotonin Club. Instructions for joining the Serotonin Club are on the website at www.serotoninclub.org*

Submissions must be received by 29th February 2008. Successful applicants will be informed shortly thereafter. If applicants are not successful they will be able to withdraw their registration without penalty.

Dinner at SFN in San Diego, CA

Over 90 members of the Serotonin Club from all over the world attended the dinner at the Society for Neuroscience in San Diego. A record turn out!! Once again it was on a boat, this time from the Hornblower Cruises, and due to the great response, we ended up using a double decker. The boat actually moved from the dock and toured the San Diego bay while members enjoyed spirits, a buffet dinner and assortment of desserts. The double decker boat facilitated a great deal of mingling and a wonderful time was had by all. The next SFN dinner meeting will be in Washington, D.C. in November. Please help us locate a great spot for next year's dinner. Email Sheryl Beck with any suggestions at Rivers@email.chop.edu.



Francophone Serotonine Community

SPEAK YOUR 5-HT MIND IN ENGLISH AND FRENCH.

Within the network of the Serotonin Club, the international organization grouping serotonin

researchers, we would like to generate new synergies and truly help neuroscientists, which speak both English and French, from across the world. We strongly invite any French speaking serotonin scientist from France, Switzerland, Canada, Morocco, Belgium, DOM-TOM, but not limited to French speaking countries, to subscribe to the Serotonin Club. Through the Francophile Chapter of the Serotonin Club, we expect to get Industry and public funding to help the development of an excellent research program of one "francophile" serotonin-scientist, as well as to promote collaborations and meetings for the French speaking 5-HT community. A core group of scientists (Francine Côté, Fatiha Chigr, Valérie Compan) with the support of senior members (Yves Charnay, Laurent Descarries, Daniel Hoyer) of the club, will coordinate these activities and volunteers are welcome to join our efforts. News, announcements and meeting reports are to be announced in the serotonin club newsletter. Contact names: Francine Côté, cote@chups.jussieu.fr; Fatiha Chigr, fchigr@voila.fr, Valérie Compan, Valerie.Compan@igf.cnrs.fr.

Other Meetings of Interest:

Winter Conference on Brain Research
January 26 – February 1, Snowbird, Utah
www.winterbrain.org

Experimental Biology 2008
April 5-8, 2008, San Diego, California
www.eb2008.org

Society for Biological Psychiatry
May 1-3, 2008, Washington, DC
www.sobp.org

CPDD Annual Meeting
June 14-19th, San Juan, Puerto Rico

www.cpdd.vcu.edu

International Behavioral Neuroscience Society
June 17-22, 2008, St. Thomas, VI
www.ibnshomepage.org

FENS
July 12-16, 2008, Geneva, Switzerland
www.fens2008.neurosciences.assoc.fr

EPHAR
July 13-17, Manchester, UK
www.ephar2008.org

British Association of Psychopharmacology
July 21-23, 2008, Harrogate, UK
www.bap.org.uk/summer_meeting_2008

CPT meeting, Quebec City,
July 27-August 1, Quebec City, Canada
www.cpt2008.org

APA 2008 convention
August 14-17, Boston, MA
www.apa.org

21st ECNP Congress
August 30-September 3, Barcelona, Spain
www.ecnp.eu/emc.asp

BPS Winter meeting 2008-01-04
December 16-18, Brighton, UK
www.bps.ac.uk

Society for Neuroscience 2008
Nov 15-19, Washington, DC
www.sfn.org

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Go to serotoninclub.org website for instructions. If you are receiving this newsletter then you are already a member. We will contact you when it is time to renew. **PLEASE URGE YOUR COLLEAGUES TO JOIN!!!!** Those members whose membership is due for renewal in 2008 will be contacted at the beginning of the year. You may also send a check for \$60 US payable to the Serotonin Club directly to Sheryl Beck (address at end of newsletter).

Address change?

If you have changed your email or mailing address send it to us now while you are thinking about it – send to:

rivers@email.chop.edu

All communications with members are now carried out via the internet so if we do not have your current e-mail address you risk losing all contact with the Club

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