Serotonin Club Meeting Updates

Montréal, Quebec
Hôtel Omni Mont-Royal
9th – 11th, July 2010

The meeting site will be the Omni Hotel that is centrally located in downtown. The web site for the meeting is currently being constructed (probably will be www.serotoninclub2010.org, BUT NOT SET UP YET). In addition in the near future you can link to the meeting site through the home web page: http://www.serotoninclub.org

Registration and abstract submission will be through the web site for the meeting with a deadline of April 16th 2010. Hotel accommodations will be made separately and you will have to contact the hotels directly.

The meeting will start on Friday night and end on Sunday after lunch. Included in the registration price is dinner on Friday the 9th, continental breakfast on both mornings, buffet lunch on the 10th and 11th, with coffee breaks in between sessions. We have reserved rooms both at the Hotel Omni Mon-
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Royal and studio apartments at the Résidences de l’Ouest de L’UQAM.

Hôtel Omni Mont-Royal
1050, rue Sherbrooke Ouest
Montréal Québec, Canada
1-800-The Omni
Single/Double: $189.00 Can/night
http://www.omnimontroyal.com

Résidences de l’Ouest (West) de L’UQAM
2100, Saint-Urbain
Montréal, Québec
H2X4E1, Canada
Tél : (514) 987-7747
delouest@residences-uqam.qc.ca
http://www.residences-uqam.qc.ca/hotel
Single/Double: $63.00 Can/night

Scientific Program
Rapport lecturer: Dr. Manfred Gothert
Page lecturer: Dr. Elaine Sanders-Bush

Twelve Symposia:
“Towards linking cellular functions of serotonin with behavior.”
Chair: Jean Claude Béïque

“Antipsychotic drug action and serotonin systems: relevance of functional selectivity.”
Chair: Julie G. Hensler
Co-Chair: Kelly A. Berg

“Molecular pharmacology of serotonin transporter (SERT)”
Chair: Joel Bockaert

“Neuronal traffic of serotonin receptors and physiological implications.”
Chair: Michèle C. Darmon

“New insights in serotonin-linked pathologies: Lessons learned from inbred mice.”
Chair: Lynette C Daws

“Serotonergic neurons and Parkinson’s disease”
Chair: Philippe De Deurwaerdère
Co-Chair: Trevor Sharp

“Serotonergic Mechanisms In Behavioral Disorders.”
Chair: Laurent Descarries
Co-Chair: Chawki Benkelfat

“Serotonin in Vulnerability and Relapse to Addiction”
Chair: Lynn Kirby
Co-Chair: Kathryn A Cunningham

“Serotonin and the Developing Brain.”
Chair: David J. Mokler
Co-Chair: Julie G. Hensler

“Life without Serotonin”
Chair: Bryan Roth

Chair: José A. Terrón
Co-Chair: Charles A. Marsden

“Serotonin and the gates: Outside the blood-brain barrier”
Chair: Michael Gershon

There will be two poster sessions, one on Saturday and one on Sunday.

City of Montreal
As a reminder, Montréal is easily accessed by land, water and air. Downtown is a mere 20 minutes from the airport, which handles some 200 flights daily. Visitors will find this compact island city great for walking, and can easily—and safely—explore its vibrant neighbourhoods on foot, at any time of the day or night.

Montréal is also multicultural, boasting more than 80 ethnic communities, and enjoys an outstanding reputation worldwide for gourmet dining.

In addition, the Montreal International Jazz Festival 31st edition will be from July 1st to 11th, 2010. The gigantic summer music celebration features 11 days of non-stop entertainment, from noon to midnight, right in the heart of downtown Montreal. Several city blocks are closed to traffic, as right of way is given exclusively to pedestrians, creating a festive and secure spot with cafés and
bistros, an art gallery, street performers and a musical park for children. It’s the summer celebration par excellence for people of all ages and origins, a cultural breath of fresh air, and a place for incredible musical discoveries with influence such as Jazz, Blues, Latin-Jazz, Brazilian, Cuban, African, Reggae, contemporary, electronic, and more.

**Local Organizers:**
- Paul Albert (University of Ottawa)
- Laurent Descarries (University of Montreal)
- Francine Côté (Necker Hospital, Paris, France)

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

**Student 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 Montreal meeting. The size of the award is not yet finalized but will, as always, cover the cost of registration and will, subject to funds available, also try to 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 officers of the Club, local organizers and symposia chairs, whose decision will be final. The applications should be related to one of the accepted symposia, as the travel awardee will be the fourth speaker in the symposia (as well as a poster presenter).

Please submit all applications to the Secretary/Treasurer at rivers@email.chop.edu, together with a copy of the abstract and the symposia that the abstract is related to 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](http://www.serotoninclub.org)**

Submissions must be received by 26th February 2010. Successful applicants will be informed shortly thereafter.

**Dinner at SfN in Chicago, IL**

*House of Blues*

Another successful Serotonin Club dinner was held at the SfN meeting in Chicago, IL at the House of Blues. Approximately 72 people attended and enjoyed a cash bar, hors D’oeuvres and a buffet dinner. The music was fantastic and lots of old friendships were renewed. We had a wonderful turn-out of young investigators, providing an opportunity for them to meet and get to know some of the leaders in our field in an informal social setting.

**Other Meetings of Interest:**

**Winter Conference on Brain Research**
January 23-29, Breckenridge, CO
http://www.conferences.uiuc.edu/conferences/conference.asp?ID=318

**83rd Annual Meeting of the Japanese Pharmacological Society**
March 16-18, 2010-01-19, Osaka, Japan
www2.convention.co.jp/83jps/english/english_top.html

**Experimental Biology 2008**
April 24-28, 2010, Anaheim, CA
www.eb2010.org
Society for Biological Psychiatry
May 20-22, 2010, New Orleans, LA
www.sobp.org

APA 2010 convention
May 22-26, 2010 New Orleans, LA
www.apa.org

CPDD Annual Meeting
June 12-17, 2010, Scottsdale, Arizona
http://www.cpdd.vcu.edu/index.html

International Behavioral Neuroscience Society
June 8-13, 2010, Sardinia, Italy
http://www.ibnshomepage.org/meetings.htm

FENS
July 3-7, 2010, Amsterdam, The Netherlands

British Association of Psychopharmacology
July 25-28, 2010, Harrogate, UK
http://www.bap.org.uk/summermeetings.php

World Pharma 2010
July 17-21, Copenhagen, Denmark
http://www.worldpharma2010.org/

23rd ECNP Congress
August 28-September 1, 2010 Amsterdam, The Netherlands
www.ecnp.eu

Society for Neuroscience 2008
Nov 13-17, 2010 San Diego, CA
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 2010 will be contacted during the year. You may also send a check for $60 ($30 for students) USD payable to the Serotonin Club directly to Sheryl Beck (address at end of newsletter).

Address change?

If you have changed your 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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