The Next Club Meeting
(17-19 July 2004)

The meeting of the Club scheduled for the Summer of 2004 has had to be moved because of the European Soccer Championships! This has affected all the scientific meetings to be held in Portugal around this time. The new Schedule is:

FENS [European Neuroscience] 10-14th July in Lisbon.
EPHAR [European Pharmacology] 14-17th (noon) July in Porto.
Serotonin Club 17th (late afternoon)-19th July in Porto.

So as you can see a very attractive position for us to be in, following on two other major meetings and being in the same city as the EPHAR meeting, the beautiful city of Porto.

Prof Manfred Göthert has agreed to be the chief organiser for this meeting and has already got the ball rolling and formed a local organising committee headed by Prof Daniel Moura. They have also identified a professional congress organising company.

The organisation of the meeting will be similar to Acapulco but with more emphasis on posters and probably oral presentations of the outstanding posters.

Symposium Proposals Requested From Members

As always the Councillors would like suggestions on symposia from you all. We need suggestions on any exciting areas you would like a symposium to cover. Even better, please feel free to suggest a symposium you would like to organise, putting in suggestions for the chair and the main speakers. If possible suggest both a title for the symposium and areas to be covered by the speakers - please remember we are an international society so do not have all speakers from the same country.
Please send suggestions to Prof Göthert [umv70001@uni-bonn.de] preferably with a copy to me as well. I will then get proposals sent to all Councillors for further evaluation. Prof Göthert has already been busy on behalf of the Club so now will all members please get thinking equally hard to make sure we have a quality scientific programme which attracts a lot of delegates.

We would like all suggestions to be sent by the 1st April 2003 to allow plenty of time to design the best meeting possible.

Travel awards

The Serotonin Club is proposing to make a limited number of travel awards available to pre- and post-doctoral students who are authoring communications to the Porto meeting. The size of the award will be detailed in a future Newsletter 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 on the basis of the quality of the submitted abstract by the organisers, whose decision will be final. Applicants must already be members of the Serotonin Club.

New Members

Welcome to the following new members of the Club who have joined since our last Newsletter: Canada: Eduard Bercovici; France: Adrian Newman-Tancredi; Italy: Martine Garnier; USA: Marilyn Duncan.

Subscriptions

Thank you to all members who have already forwarded their subscriptions. If you are in arrears please send your payment as soon as possible as this avoids the time and costs incurred in sending out further reminders. Members whose subscriptions are two or more years overdue will be terminated!!

Where are they now?

Can anyone help us locate the following members?

Dara Cannon last address University College Dublin, Anne Heald and J.A. Stanton both formerly at Merck, Sharpe & Dohme, Harlow,.

Joanne Chen last address Bayer Pharmaceutical, West Haven and Navin Maswood University of KY Medical School, Lexington.

Address change?

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

rosemary.allen@astrazeneca.com

Generally speaking, 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.

The Club Website

Remember to check on the website for Club matters! The address is:

http://serotoninclub.org

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