



Serotonin Club Newsletter



Acapulco bay by night

IUPHAR Satellite Meeting, 2002-Mexico

If you have not yet booked to come to our meeting, please do so as soon as possible to help the planning. Details of both the meeting and the booking forms can be found at the organizing company web site:

<http://www.servimed.com.mx/>

As you see a full scientific program is promised, together with poster sessions. There is also a good social program with a beach party -- no, not a boat trip this time!

The Symposia that will take place in Mexico

The list below presents the selected symposium titles. All these symposia will take place at the meeting.

- Differences in serotonergic modulation of dorsal and median raphe nuclei – opportunities for improved psychotherapeutics
- Serotonin 5-HT_{2C} Receptor: New Cross-Disciplinary Findings and Implications for Normal Behavior and Psychiatric Disorders
- Clinical and experimental studies on MDMA (ecstasy)
- 5-HT receptors in gastrointestinal diseases
- The Serotonin hypothesis of pulmonary hypertension: from diet pills to transporters
- The 5-HT_{2B} receptor: What next?
- 5-HT systems and Memory
- Diverse signalling by 5-HT receptors
- Pharmacogenomics of 5-HT receptors
- Central Serotonin in Cardiovascular Regulation
- 5HT_{1B} Receptor Stimulation and Clinical Efficacy of Current and Prospective Antimigraine Drugs: Are 5-HT_{1D} and 5-HT_{1F} receptors out of the game?
- 5-HT autoreceptors: from neural circuits to therapeutics
- 5-HT₆ and 5-HT₇ receptors – new drug targets or academic curiosities?
- Serotonin Receptors: Eating and Obesity

New Members

Welcome to the following new members of the Club who have joined since our last Newsletter:

Australia: Arthur Christopoulos, **Belgium:** Anna Papageorgiou, **Canada:** Alicia Davis, **France:** Bruno Le Grand, Gareth W John, **Japan:** Shizuko Takano, **Mexico:** Luis Valdivia-Duran, David Centurion, **Netherlands:** Antoinette Maassen Van Den Brink, **Singapore:** Mitchell Lai, Shirley Tsang, **Sudan:** Gadour M Muhana, **Sweden:** Finn Bengtsson, Linda Nilsson, **UK:** Laura Boothman, **USA:** Richard Battaglino, Pascal Bonaventure, Patrick Callahan, Roger Jadosz, Richard Thielen, Christian Waeber.

Travel awards

The Club has awarded grants to assist young scientists to attend the Acapulco meeting. We congratulate the following:

Belgium: Koen Laenen, **Mexico:** David Centurion and Luis Valdivia-Duran, **UK:** Laura Boothman and Catherine Brady, **USA:** Ying Qu.

The Club Website

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

<http://serotoninclub.org>

Paying in €

In January 2002 the Euro became the unit of currency for some of our European members and we have, therefore, opened a Euro account ready to receive membership subscriptions.

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

Where are they now?

Can anyone help us locate the following members?

Robert Heeley, Dept of Molecular Genetics, University of Glasgow and Michael Wyer, Janssen-Cilag, Australia.

Elections

Replacements for some of the Councillors who are retiring will have to be made later this year. Others are eligible for re-election. If you are interested in helping the Club and wish to stand for election please let me know, it is always good to know about persons who wish to play a role in running the Club, even if we cannot use you immediately. Details of elections will be placed in the next Newsletter.

Brain Research Bulletin

A special edition of the *Brain Research Bulletin* [56, 411-507, 2001] is now in libraries. This contains many of the lectures given at our last meeting in New Orleans. Do look at it or buy a copy (\$ 50). It contains articles of interest to all serotonin researchers.

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