



Announcement of international plant science meetings organized
by EPSO institutional members
February 2007

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Title	Special Session on 'Symbioses': Part Of Society of Experimental Biology Annual Meeting
Date	March 31 - April 1, 2007
Location	Glasgow, UK
Organisers	Bruce Osborne, Angela Douglas, Derek Mitchell, Julie Scholes & Tom Wilkinson
Short Description	<p>Symbiosis has emerged as a central feature of all living organisms. There is now good evidence that symbioses are important for our understanding of evolutionary processes, and contribute significantly to ecosystem function and biodiversity. Symbioses are also of considerable practical value in medicine, agriculture and environmental management</p> <p>This symposium brings together researchers working on a range of associations, involving animals, plants, microorganisms and symbiont-derived organelles, with expertise ranging from molecular biology to ecosystem ecology. A focus has been placed on evolutionary relationships, functional diversity and host-symbiont interplay, regulation and control. This symposium will also explore common themes underlying the evolution and persistence of symbiotic partnerships and the ways that symbioses can be harnessed for the public good.</p>
Deadlines	Abstract deadline gone/registration still possible
Weblink	www.sebiology.org
Submitted by	Bruce Osborne, UCD School of Biology & Environmental Science, Dublin, Ireland


Title	Resistance 2007
Date	April 16-18, 2007
Location	Rothamsted Research, Harpenden, Hertfordshire, AL5 2JQ. UK
Organisers	Rothamsted Research
Short Description	<p>This major international conference, the fifth in an ongoing series, will review the latest research on the origins, nature, development and prevention of resistance to fungicides, herbicides and insecticides. It will provide a forum for researchers, consultants, regulators and industrialists to present and discuss approaches to overcoming this increasingly important constraint to effective crop protection. Themes will include: The current status of resistance to pesticides; Resistance mechanisms; Population biology and modeling; Applications of genomics; Risk assessment and risk management; Transgenic crops.</p> <p>Full details of the programme can be found on the website.</p>
Deadlines	
Weblink	http://www.rothamsted.bbsrc.ac.uk/Research/Resistance2007.html
Submitted by	Mary-Louise Burnett (mary-louise.burnett@bbsrc.ac.uk), Rothamsted Research, Harpenden, UK

Title	Sustainable Neighbourhood - from Lisbon to Leipzig through Research (L2L)
Date	May 8-10, 2007
Location	Leipzig, Germany
Organisers	BMBF (German Ministry for Science and Education) partnered by Fraunhofer Gesellschaft, Helmholtz Gemeinschaft, Leibniz Gemeinschaft and Max-Planck Gesellschaft
Short Description	The aim of this conference is to position sustainability research as an engine for

	<p>European competitiveness within the Lisbon Agenda.</p> <p>It is a cooperative event between policy and scientific communities, which seeks to provide a forum to debate current research in this field, the interaction between policy, economic and research communities, as well as future research priorities.</p> <p>The conference will represent a highlight in the German EU Presidency. The Chancellor of the Federal Republic of Germany, Dr. Angela Merkel, is invited as patron and the event will be hosted by Dr. Annette Schavan, the Federal Minister of Education and Research. The European Commission will be represented by Dr. Janez Potočnik, Commissioner for Science and Research.</p> <p>The conference is expected to attract approx. 500 international participants, including scientists and researchers, funding institutions, political decision makers, representatives of industry, as well as press and media.</p>
Deadlines	
Weblink	http://www.fona.de/de/3_akteure/forum_2007/index.php?lang=eng
Submitted by	Uli Schurr, Research Centre Jülich, Germany, u.schurr@fz-juelich.de

Title	6th Post transcriptional regulation of Plant Gene Expression (PTRoPGE)
Date	May 10-13, 2007
Location	Carry le Rouet, France
Organisers	<p>Christophe Robaglia, Laboratoire de Génétique et Biophysique des Plantes UMR 6191 CEA-CNRS-Université de la Méditerranée,</p> <p>Manuel Echeverria, Laboratoire Génétique et développement des Plantes, CNRS-Université de Perpignan</p> <p>John Doonan, Department of Cell Biology, John Innes Center, Norwich, UK</p>
Short Description	<p>The symposium on post-transcriptional regulation of plant gene expression plants has been alternatively organised in the USA and in Europe. The 6th symposium will take place in Carry-le-Rouet (Southern France) the 10-13 may 2007, a very pleasant area for travelling during the spring . This will be a small meeting of about 125 participants</p> <p>The following topics will be addressed: Biochemistry of the plant translational apparatus, mRNA stability/degradation, RNA silencing , RNA Trafficking. ,Viral mechanisms. , Environmental Regulation. , Global approaches of post-transcriptional regulation.</p> <p>Participants will be encouraged to present research in any of the above topics, plus any other aspects of post-transcriptional control such as RNA editing, RNA localization, virus movement, translational recoding, various aspects of genomics. Presentations in all plant systems, including the unicellular algae <i>Chlamydomonas reinhardtii</i> and the moss <i>Physcomitrella patens</i> will be welcome.</p> <p>About 30 speakers will be invited or selected on the basis of a short abstract. Young researchers and students are encouraged to apply.</p>
Deadlines	<p>Deadline for Registration April 17</p> <p>Deadline for Abstract Submission: April 15</p>
Weblink	http://www.lqbp.univ-mrs.fr/ptropge/index.html
Submitted by	Christophe Robaglia, Laboratoire de Génétique et Biophysique des Plantes, CNRS-CEA-Université de la Méditerranée, Marseille, France

Title	European Bioperspectives
Date	May 30 - June 1, 2007
Location	Cologne, Germany
Organisers	DECHEMA e.V for a number of institutions from the field of biotechnology
Short Description	The German presidency of the Council of the European Union will see the launching of a high-level biotech conference entitled En Route to a Knowledge-Based Bio-Economy on 30 May 2007 in Cologne. It will kick-off the European Bioperspectives conference. Political representatives, industry leaders and renowned scientists will present their views on the ongoing transformation of major industries through biotechnology. Moreover, a Cologne Paper on the perspectives within the next 20-25 years will be presented.
Deadlines	
Weblink	http://www.bioperspectives.org/
Submitted by	Uli Schurr, Research Centre Jülich, Germany, u.schurr@fz-juelich.de

	This is a meeting organised by EPSO
Title	EPSO Workshop: "The Feed Value Chain"
Date	June 26-27, 2007
Location	Copenhagen, Denmark
Organisers	Claus Andersen, Vincent Pétiard, Odd Arne Rognli
Short Description	The workshop aims to create a forum for interaction of European private and public stakeholders within the feed - livestock value chain. The expected outcome is a white paper describing the current state of the area, and defining prioritized objectives for European cross disciplinary research activities across the feed - livestock value chain - to secure a competitive and environmentally sustainable European meat, dairy and egg production by the development of improved feed and optimized feeding technologies.
Deadlines	EPSO members to express their interest to participate by 28.02.07
Weblink	http://www.epsoweb.org/Catalog/epso%20workshops/feed_workshop.htm
Submitted by	Claus Andersen, Plant Biotech, Denmark

Title	Vacuoles and plastids: development and functions
Date	July 5-6, 2007
Location	University of Neuchâtel, Switzerland
Organisers	Felix Kessler and Jean-Marc Neuchaus (University of Neuchâtel, Switzerland)
Short Description	This seminar will focus on the development and function of vacuoles and plastids in plant cells. These organelles differentiate in response to environmental signals. Exciting new findings on organellar biogenesis and metabolism will be discussed.
Deadlines	Deadline for registration: May 30, 2007
Weblink	http://www2.unine.ch/nccr/page16185_en.html
Submitted by	Felix Kessler, University of Neuchâtel, Switzerland

Title	23rd Annual Meeting of the International Society of Chemical Ecology (ISCE)
Date	July 22-26, 2007
Location	Jena, Germany
Organisers	Wilhelm Boland, Max-Planck-Institute for Chemical Ecology, Jena, Germany
Short Description	<p>The meeting will bring together interested people, from young researchers to experienced leaders, working on all aspects of Chemical Ecology. It is organized to promote the understanding of interactions between organisms and their environment that are mediated by naturally occurring chemicals. Research areas include the chemistry, biochemistry, molecular biology, and function of all kinds of natural products, their importance at all levels of ecological organization, their evolutionary origin and their practical application.</p> <p>The program will cover the classical fields of the Society such as olfactory reception, with emphasis on cutting-edge methods of analysis, synthesis, and aspects of molecular recognition and cerebral interpretation of environmentally associated signals. It is the special aim of the meeting to highlight the enormous complexity of such interactions, demonstrating that an original plant defense can serve as the entrance point for a sequestered defensive strategy of insects and that microbial contributions have to be considered as hidden but essential elements of biotic interactions at almost all levels. Finally, the adaptation and evolution of biotic interactions will be an important topic.</p>
Deadlines	Registration: 15 June 2007 Oral contributions: 30 April 2007 Posters: 30 April 2007 Last-Minute-Posters: 15 June 2007
Weblink	http://www.gdch.de/isce2007/welcome.htm
Submitted by	Jan-Wolfhard Kellmann, Max Planck Institute for Chemical Ecology, Jena, Germany

Title	14th International Congress on Photosynthesis
Date	July 22-27, 2007
Location	Glasgow, UK
Organisers	Society of Experimental Botany (SEB) on behalf of the International Society of Photosynthesis Research (ISPR)
Short Description	The Photosynthesis Congress highlights cutting edge progress in the world of photosynthesis research. Sessions include: Primary Processes and Electron Transfer; CO ₂ Delivery; Assimilation and Metabolism; Regulation and Coordination; Chloroplast and Cell Biology; Photosynthesis and the Environment; Education
Deadlines	Submission of abstracts 2 nd May 2007; Registration: before 30 th March reduced registration fee, Registration closes: 13 th July
Weblink	http://www.photosynthesis2007.org/
Submitted by	Ulrich Schurr, Juelich, Germany

Title	Imaging and Integrating Heterogeneity of Plant Functions - Functional Biodiversity from Cells to the Biosphere (Leopoldina Meeting)
Date	July 29-31, 2007
Location	Research Centre Jülich, Germany
Organisers	Uli Schurr, Phytosphere, Research Centre Jülich, Germany Barry Osmond, Australian National University, Canberra, Australia

	Susanne von Caemmerer, Australian National University, Canberra, Australia Ullrich Lüttge, Technical University Darmstadt, Germany
Short Description	A 2-day meeting to explore newest practical and theoretical approaches to imaging in plant function in the soil-plant-atmosphere continuum at scales from the cell to the canopy. Topics include Chlorophyll Fluorescence Imaging, Magnetic resonance imaging, Imaging of leaf and root growth dynamics, Functions of spatio-temporal heterogeneity, remote sensing The meeting is an official satellite meeting to the 14 th International Congress on Photosynthesis held in Glasgow
Deadlines	June 2007
Weblink	http://www.fz-juelich.de/icg/icg-iii/datapool/page/174/Leopoldina.pdf
Submitted by	Uli Schurr, Research Centre Jülich, Germany, u.schurr@fz-juelich.de

Title	Advanced Course in Modern Breeding Techniques
Date	August 14-23, 2007
Location	Ghent, Belgium
Organisers	Marc Van Montagu, Godelieve Gheysen, Nancy Terry
Short Description	During this two weeks course the major topics in the field of Breeding and especially modern breeding will be covered, including the latest techniques in breeding, using molecular data as a tool. Next to the basics of plant breeding, the course will cover different kinds of markers and their use in breeding programs for fingerprinting, biodiversity, mapping of traits and QTL's, incrossing of specific genes (wild or transgene into cultivars) and quality assessment. In addition a section will also deal with the commercial aspects of "elite transgenic events" and their specific breeding strategies. Also legal issues related to plant breeding, such as breeders rights will be discussed
Deadlines	Registration: June 15th 2007 As the number of participants is limited to 25, early registration is strongly advised.
Weblink	http://www.ipbo.ugent.be
Submitted by	Marc Van Montagu, VIB, Ghent, Belgium

Title	Plants for human health in the post-genome era
Date	August 26-29, 2007
Location	Helsinki, Finland
Organisers	Kirsi-Marja Oksman-Caldentey, VTT Technical Research Centre of Finland
Short Description	The Phytochemical Society of Europe (PSE), VTT Technical Research Centre of Finland and the organizing committee welcome plant scientists from all over the world to Helsinki, Finland to attend this most exciting congress entitled " <i>Plants for human health in the post-genome era</i> ". The congress will take place at Rantapuisto Congress Centre in a beautiful location by the Baltic Sea about 10 km from Helsinki city centre, Finland. During the three and half days of the congress over 30 outstanding speakers from Europe, USA, Canada, Japan and South-Korea will cover several important topics of plant science, main focus given to plant biotechnology: Health benefits from plants; Novel emerging technologies in plant research; Plants as factories for pharmaceuticals: Secondary metabolites; Plants as factories for pharmaceuticals:

	Recombinant proteins and Large-scale production of plant compounds for various industrial applications. Besides lectures and short oral communications also posters will be presented.
Deadlines	Abstract submission: 30th April, 2007 Registration: 31st May, 2007 Late Registration: From 1st June until 10th August, 2007
Weblink	www.phytochemicalsociety.org/helsinki
Submitted by	Kirsi-Marja Oksman-Caldentey, kirsi-marja.oksman@vtt.fi , VTT, Espoo, Finland


Title	4th Tri-National Arabidopsis Meeting
Date	September 12-15, 2007
Location	Vienna, Austria
Organisers	Marie-Theres Hauser, Ortrun Mittelsten Scheid, Karel Riha, Heribert Hirt, Claudia Jonak, Christian Luschnig, Werner Aufsatz
Short Description	The Meeting will discuss advances in Arabidopsis research carried out primarily in Austria, Germany and Switzerland. Presentations at this meeting have been divided into the following sections: Molecular physiology; Evolution and ecology; Genetic and epigenetic mechanisms; Development and cellular communication; Biotic and abiotic interaction and Cell biology. These areas cover a large number of Tri-National research projects, making this a conference of general interest for both graduate students and senior researchers. In addition to the 21 invited speakers, ~20 posters will be selected for short oral presentations. In addition, there will be two poster session as well a prize for the best poster and best short oral presentation.
Deadlines	Registration: July 1st 2007 Number of participants is limited to 150, early registration is strongly advised.
Weblink	http://www.gmi.oeaw.ac.at/tnam2007/
Submitted by	Marie-Theres Hauser, Institute of Applied Genetics and Cell Biology, BOKU, Vienna, Austria

Title	13th European Congress on Biotechnology - Symbiosis
Date	September 16-19, 2007
Location	Barcelona, Spain
Organisers	European Federation of Biotechnology (EFB)
Short Description	Don't miss Europe's leading biotechnology event! Run by and for Europe's biotechnologists and biotech stakeholders, the European Congress on Biotechnology is the longest running international and multidisciplinary biotechnology congress in Europe. It is unique in bringing together Europe and the world's best biotechnologists to present and discuss cutting-edge science in all the disciplines of biotechnology. In line with the European Federation of Biotechnology's mission, the 13th European Congress on Biotechnology will focus on addressing the great challenges to humanity through the crucial theme of Symbiosis , applying cutting-edge Science and Industry in support of Society. The Congress was established in 1978 by the European Federation of Biotechnology. Previous editions attracted over 1,500 leading scientists and other senior participants, over 500 posters and more than a hundred exhibitors, from over 50

	countries across Europe and beyond.
Deadlines	Deadline for abstract submission to be considered for oral presentation: 31 March 2007
Weblink	www.ecb13.eu
Submitted by	Marc Van Montagu, VIB, Gent, BE

Title	12th EUCARPIA symposium on fruit breeding and genetics
Date	September 16-20, 2007
Location	Zaragoza, Spain
Organisers	EUCARPIA Fruit Section
Short Description	To prepare and discuss the update biotech and breeding advanced results on genetics of fruit trees
Deadlines	April 30, 2007
Weblink	http://www.eucarpia.org/O2meetings/index.html
Submitted by	Silviero Sansavini, University of Bologna, Italy

Title	The 9th International Conference on Magnetic Resonance Microscopy
Date	November 3-7, 2007
Location	Aachen, Germany
Organisers	Peter Blümler (Research Centre Jülich), Bernhard Blümlich (RWTH Aachen), Henk van As (Wageningen), Dagmar van Dusschoten (Research Centre Jülich) on behalf of Committee of the Division of Spatially resolved Magnetic Resonance of the Ampere Society
Short Description	<p>The Colloquium on Mobile Magnetic Resonance (CMMR) is an annual meeting, which has evolved over the past years from a workshop style to an international conference. In 2006 it had the status of "specialized Colloque Ampere". The objectives of the CMMR are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • to communicate progress, developments and applications of Mobile Magnetic Resonance (NMR, EPR and NQR), • to promote hands-on understanding in the form of educational lectures and practical sessions on such mobile equipment. <p>The International Conference on Magnetic Resonance Microscopy has started in 1991 in Heidelberg. Known as the "Heidelberg Conference", it is the biannual conference of the Division of Spatially Resolved Magnetic Resonance of the Ampere Society. It is the international meeting for dissemination of all developments in non-clinical magnetic resonance methods and applications related mainly to NMR and EPR with spatial resolution, that is imaging and flow NMR. The ICMRM alternates with the International Conference on Magnetic Resonance in Porous Media (ICMRPM) in subsequent years.</p>
Deadlines	15/7/2007
Weblink	http://www.fz-juelich.de/icg/icg-iii/datapool/page/174/1stCircular_ICMRM.pdf
Submitted by	Uli Schurr, Research Centre Jülich, Germany, u.schurr@fz-juelich.de

	This is a meeting organised by EPSO
Title	4th EPSO Conference
Date	June 22-26, 2008
Location	Southern France

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