

ANNOUNCEMENT

SCIENCE AND MEDICINE IN CANCER METASTASIS FOURTH INTERNATIONAL CONGRESS OF THE METASTASIS RESEARCH SOCIETY

Ecole Centrale des Arts et Manufactures de Paris, Paris, France, 1-4 September 1992

The hallmark of cancer disease is the ability of malignant tumor cells to spread from the primary tumor to distant organs of the body. This process, metastasis, is the major cause of death from cancer. At the time of diagnosis, numerous patients probably have occult metastatic disease.

Plenary sessions will focus on advances in the following main areas:

Molecular determinants in cancer invasion and metastasis; Host interactions including endotheliums, angiogenesis and the immune system; Strategies for therapy of metastatic disease, pharmacology, new drugs, gene therapy; Genetic aspects of metastasis, cytogenetics, tumor progression, oncogenes, suppressor genes.

Symposia:

Tools and models for detection of metastases; Drug resistance of advanced cancers and reversal; Immune system in therapy of the metastatic disease; New drugs and pharmacological concepts for therapy.

Workshops:

Growth and motility factors; receptors; Role of extracellular matrix in invasion and metastasis; Homing of metastatic cells; Proteases and protease inhibitors in invasion and metastasis; Cell adhesion molecules; Non-cancer metastasis; Markers for metastasis; Angiogenesis.

Educational conferences:

Overviews of cancer metastasis; Pathology; Gene amplification; Drug resistance; Growth factors; Transduction signaling.

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Deadline for abstracts: 1 May 1992.

Presentation of posters is encouraged. The presentation of posters will be an integral part of the meeting. Session chairmen will choose submitted abstracts for oral presentation.

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