#### **Announcements**

# International Symposium on Plant Polymeric Carbohydrates, Berlin, Germany, 1-3 July, 1992

*Information:* Professor F. Meuser, Department of Food and Fermentation Technology, Technical University of Berlin, Seestrasse 11, DW-1000 Berlin 65, Germany.

#### XVIth International Carbohydrate Symposium, Paris, France, 5–10 July, 1992

The scientific programme will cover all aspects of the chemistry and biochemistry of carbohydrates. This will include plenary and invited session lectures, and poster sessions. A two-day pre-symposium dealing with the industrial perspectives of carbohydrate chemistry will take place in Lyon (France).

The following headings will be used to group symposium contributions:

Structure: primary structure, conformational analysis, spectrochemical methods and analysis applied to carbohydrates and glycoconjugates.

Synthesis: new methods and synthesis of bio-molecules such as carbohydrates, antibiotics, nucleosides, nucleotides, glyco-conjugates, and the use of carbohydrates as chiral synthons.

Biochemistry: various biological and medical aspects of carbohydrates and glycoconjugates.

Applied and industrial aspects: various uses of carbohydrates in industry.

Enquiries should be addressed to: Professor Jean-Claude Depezay, General Secretary, XVIth International Carbohydrate Symposium, Laboratoire de Chimie URA 400, Université René Descartes, 45, rue des Saints-Pères, 75270 Paris, Cedex 06, France

# Jacques Monod Conferences of the Centre National de la Recherche Scientifique

The Life Sciences Department of the Centre National de la Recherche Scientifique (CNRS) in France organizes the 1992 series of the Conferences Jacques Monod, devoted to recent advances in the various fields of basic biology and its applications in the areas of biotechnology, health, agronomy and related industries.

The Jacques Monod Conferences will be held in France, either in Roscoff, a marine laboratory on the Brittany coast

operated by the University of Paris VI and by the CNRS, or in Aussois, a CNRS-owned hotel in an alpine ski resort.

Recording and photography, as well as printed references to the papers and discussions, are prohibited. Attendance will be limited to approximately sixty scientists, half of them invited speakers, the other half selected by the Chairperson from among applicants. Travel, accommodation and meals of the invited speakers will be paid for by the CNRS. Selected applicants will pay for their travel and will be charged for registration, accommodation and meals (around FRF 3500). Do not send payment with application, information will be mailed to those selected.

Interested scientists may apply by sending to the Chairperson their curriculum vitae, a one page summary of their research interests and a list of their most relevant publications. It is obligatory for selected candidates to present their work during the conference in the form requested by the Chairperson (poster or short communication).

#### Structure and Function of Glycoconjugates, Villeneuve d'Ascq, France, 6–19 September, 1992

Information: Professor A. Verbert, USTL Flandres-Artois, Laboratoire de Chimie Biologique et UMR, 111 du CNRS, 59655 Villeneuve d'Ascq cedex, France.

# Heparin Binding Growth Factors: The Fibroblast Growth Factor Family, Roscoff, October 12–16, 1992

Chairperson: Denis Barritault

Université Paris Val de Marne, Biotechnologie des Cellules Eucaryotes, Avenue du Général de Gaulle, F-94010 Créteil, Cedex, France. Tel: +33 1 48 99 60 98.

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Vice-Chairperson: John Heath (Oxford, United Kingdom)

Invited Speakers: K. Alitalo, F. Amalric, A. Baird, D. Barritault, M. Bernfield, D. Birnbaum, B. Boilly,

- R. Bradshaw, R. Breathnach, Y. Courtois, J. Davidson,
- C. Dickson, J. J. Feige, R. Halaban, J. Heath, M. Jaye,
- A. Logan, T. Maciag, G. Mazue, B. Olwin, M. Presta,
- G. Rodan, L. Schweigerer, M. Sensenbrenner, J. Slack, J. P. Thiery, K. Unsicker, I. Vlodavsky, L. T. Williams.
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Deadline for application: June 15.

#### Glycoconjugates and Lectins: Molecules for Cellular Recognition

Aussois - October 26-31, 1992

Chairperson: Jean-Pierre Zanetta

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Vice-Chairperson: Ulf Lindahl (Uppsala, Sweden)

Invited speakers: A. K. Allen, S. H. Barondes, C. Cambillau, J. Carver, B. Delpech, K. Drickamer, T. Feizi, B. Fournet, H. J. Gabius, H. J. Geuze, R. L. Hill, K. A. Karlsson, T. Kawasaki, C. Kieda, U. Lindahl, K. Meflah, R. Miquelis,

M. Monsigny, J. Montreuil, J. R. Neeser, J. C. Prome, S. D. Rosen, J. Roth, H. Schachter, R. Schauer, N. Sharon, G. Spik, G. Vincendon, J. Vliegenthart, K. Von Figura, P. M. Wassarman, J. P. Zanetta.

Deadline for application: June 15.

21st Annual Meeting of the Society for Complex Carbohydrates, Nashville, Tennessee, USA, 11–14 November, 1992

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