

Announcements and News

The 4th Jenner International Glycoimmunology meeting, November 12–15 1996, Athens, Greece

This meeting is the fourth to be held since 1990 and is now the established forum for presentation and discussion of data related to glycoimmunology. The meetings bring in clinical and basic research workers with a wide spectrum of interests ranging from the pathogenesis of rheumatoid arthritis through the mechanisms of cell migration, to the molecular biology of the glycosyltransferases.

Topics: glycobiology, the basics; oligosaccharides and biological function; oligosaccharides and inflammation; oligosaccharide protein interactions; glycosylation and disease; and carbohydrate therapeutics.

Plenary lectures and posters will be published on the World Wide Web and an electronic glycoimmunology conference will be held in parallel to the on-going meeting. Electronic participants will be invited to discuss data with real participants.

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International Symposium on Marine and Microbial Polysaccharides. November 7–8, 1996. Trondheim, Norway.

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Annual meeting of the Glycobiology Society, November 24–26 1996, Boston, USA

Morning programs are scheduled for two perspective lectures followed by four salient topic lectures. Each afternoon will include a poster session followed by four concurrent symposia. Box lunch meetings on FDA regulations and NIH Study sessions are scheduled. There will also be exhibits and a banquet, as well as other entertainments.

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Royal Australian Chemical Institute Medicinal and Agricultural Division 13th National Conference, December 8–11 1996, Clayton, Australia

Themes: agrochemistry, toxins, anti-infectives, enzyme inhibitors, automated methods of synthesis and screening, glycobiology and glycochemistry, DNA and drugs, QSAR methods and medicinal chemistry teaching. Papers are invited for both lecture and poster sessions.

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4th International Workshop on Carbohydrates as Organic Raw Materials, March 20–21 1997. University of Bodenkultur, Vienna, Austria.

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Carbohydrates and Biotechnology: Structure, Function and Synthesis. Spring Meeting of the Royal Society of Chemistry Carbohydrate Group. March 24–27 1997, Galway, Ireland

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International Symposium on Glycosyltransferases and Cellular Communications, March 26–28 1997, Osaka, Japan

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American Chemical Society's National Meeting, 13–17 April 1997, San Francisco, USA

Symposia on: carbohydrate-based HCMV chemotherapy; carbohydrate-based anti-inflammatory chemotherapy; aminoglycoside-RNA interactions; advances in nucleosides, nucleotides and oligonucleotides; unsaturated sugars, biotechnology of industrial polysaccharides; general carbohydrate papers.

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Eurocarb-9, 9th European Carbohydrate Symposium, July 6–11 1997, Utrecht, The Netherlands

Topics: synthetic aspects of carbohydrates and carbohydrate-containing compounds; structural analysis of (poly)saccharides and glycoconjugates, including spectrochemical methods; conformation analysis/molecular modelling of (poly)saccharides and glycoconjugates; biochemical, biological and medical aspects of (poly)saccharides and glycoconjugates; and carbohydrates in industry.

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IUBMB 17th International Congress of Biochemistry and Molecular Biology, August 24–29 1997, San Francisco, USA

In conjunction with the Annual Meeting of the American Society for Biochemistry and Molecular Biology

Scientific Programme: Regulation of the Cell Cycle: DNA Repair, Recombination and Replication; Receptors and the Signals that they Transduce; Extracellular Matrix/Cell Matrix Interactions; Lipid Mediators; Biochemistry and Molecular Biology of Sensory Systems; Synaptic Transmission and Neurobiology of Learning; Molecular Basis for Cell Specialisation (Differentiation and Development); Pattern Formation during Development; Regulation of Gene Expression; RNA Processing and Editing; Translational Control; Regulation of Protein Turnover/Degradation; Structural Basis of Macromolecular Functions; Assisted Protein Folding and Chaperones; Prediction of Protein Structure/Function from Sequence; Enzyme Mechanisms and Catalysis; Designing Small and Large Molecules; Intracellular Sorting and Trafficking; Glycobiology; Lipid Modification of Proteins; Membrane Channels and Permeases; Genome Analysis; Gene Therapy; Molecular Basis of Human Diseases; Cancer; Molecular and Biochemical Basis of the Pathogenesis of Infectious Diseases; AIDS – Present and Future; Molecular Biology of Ageing; Mechanical Processes in Biological Systems; Plant Molecular Biology; Bioenergetics; Ribozymes; Metabolic Regulation.

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Glyco XIV, International Symposium on Glycoconjugates, September 7–13 1997, Zürich, Switzerland

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The 17th International Lectin Meeting – INTERLEC 17, September 22–26 1997, Würzburg, Germany

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