



**European Society
for Photobiology**



**The 11th ESP Congress
Aix-les-Bains, France
3 - 8 September, 2005**

Information for sponsors and exhibitors



**The European Society for Photobiology (ESP)
is a scientific organisation for those working
in the fields of basic, applied and clinical photobiology**

Established in 1986 during the first Congress held in Grenoble, the Society, through its official journal *Photochemistry and Photobiology Sciences* and the organisation of meetings, schools and workshops, is an international forum for scientific discussion and exchange of information in the various fields of Photobiology and promotes:

- ◆ Contacts between photobiologists and photobiology groups in Europe and worldwide
- ◆ Commitments in Photobiology of governmental and industrial institutions for scientific research
- ◆ Use of available resources to facilitate collaborative research among members

**The ESP Congress is a biennial event.
The next congress will be held at the Casino Grand Cercle
Aix-les-Bains, France, 3-8 September 2005.**

More than 500 registered participants are expected to attend the meeting.

In general, participants are interested in:

instrumentation such as

- UV and visible light sources, lasers
- monochromators, filters
- fibre optics, radiometers
- microscopes
- imaging systems
- sunglasses and radiation safety tools

cosmetics and drugs such as:

- photoprotective medicines
- antiaging and antioxidant products
- sunscreens

as well as scientific literature, general laboratory and medical equipment, software.

SCIENTIFIC PROGRAMME

Sunday September 4

- Plenary lecture: NF-kappaB, a key player in PDT-induced inflammatory response
- DNA damage and repair
- ALA-based PDT
- Oxidative stress in plants
- Novel blue light receptors
- Photocarcinogenesis
- Molecular and cellular aspects of PDT
- Structure and biogenesis of the photosynthetic apparatus
- Visual pigments and phototransduction

Monday September 5

- Plenary lecture: Signal transduction in keratinocytes under UV-A radiation
- Photodermatology
- Photodiagnosis and optical techniques for medical diagnosis
- UV effects in aquatic environments
- Photoageing
- Photochemistry and photobiology of fullerenes
- Photomovements

Tuesday September 6

- Plenary lecture: Oxidative DNA damage: from electron/hole injection to gel electrophoresis
- Photoimmunology
- PDT of micro-organisms
- Light-regulation in plants: growth and rhythms
- Photoprotection and sunscreens
- Photochemistry and phototoxicity of drugs
- Plant photobiology in extreme environments

Wednesday September 7

- Plenary lecture: Small molecules play an important role in circadian time-keeping
- Ocular light damage
- Clinical applications of PDT
- Acclimatation, stress and regulation of photosynthesis
- Animal model of photocarcinogenesis
- The environmental impacts of ozone depletion and climate changes
- Spectroscopic studies of fast and ultrafast events in photobiology

Thursday September 8

- Plenary lecture: Photoprotection and photorestitution of cultural heritage
- Cellular response to solar UV
- Short communications
- Mechanisms of plant UV-response

For further information:

ESP WEB SITE

<http://www.esp-photobiology.it/>

CONGRESS LOCATION AND EXHIBITION AREA
11th ESP Congress
Casino Grand Cercle
Aix-les-Bains, France, 3-8 September 2005

Location:

Aix-les-Bains is an international spa resort located in the hearth of the French Alps in the vicinity of Chambéry (about 160,000 inhabitants in the Aix-les-Bains-Chambéry area). St-Exupéry-Lyon and Geneva international airports are 100 and 70 km respectively from Aix-les-Bains. There are also several direct fast train connections (TGV) with Paris every day. There is an excellent motorway network with Italy, Switzerland and north, west and south of France.



Exhibition area:

The exhibition hall is in the congress area of the Casino Grand Cercle that is located at a walking distance from the main hotels (3,000 rooms) and major points of interest in the city.

The fee for holding an exhibition stand will be 400 euros per day.

Exhibitions should be set up on Sunday morning, 4 September and be removed at noon on Thursday 8 September (at the latest).

Inside of the main hall of Casino Grand Cercle



SPONSORSHIP AND CONTRIBUTION OPPORTUNITIES

- Sponsor of the gala dinner at the Casino Grand Cercle (estimated attendance: 300-400 persons).
- Sponsor of the welcome reception held in the Casino Grand Cercle (estimated attendance: 500 persons).
- Sponsor of a plenary lecture or a symposium (estimated attendance at plenary lectures: 3-400; attendance at symposia will vary)
- Sponsor of an invited symposium speaker
- Sponsor of one or more fellowships for students and young researchers
- Advertisement:
 - Conference bag with congress and company logo
 - Advertisement in the final programme and abstract book
 - Logo on badge
 - Promotional leaflets or folders for inclusion in the congress bag

Benefits for sponsors may include:

- Recognition of sponsorship on programme, serving tables, directional signs etc.
- Free exhibition area
- Prominent recognition on the ESP WEB page (<http://www.esp-photobiology.it/>)*
- Free advertisement in the programme
- Free congress registration
- Free advertisement brochure in the congress bag

* The WEB page is linked to Photobiology Online (<http://www.pol-europe.net/> and <http://www.pol-US.net/>) which is a joint web page for the European Society for Photobiology and the American Society for Photobiology. The two organizations constitute more than 2000 photobiologists worldwide. The access rate to the site is currently running well in excess of 25.000 visits per year.

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