

Announcements

European Research Conferences

Programme 1998 (selected conferences in biomedicine)

The Programme of European Research Conferences (EURESCO) is run by the European Science Foundation, in association with several learned societies, and with funding from the Euroconferences Activity of the European Union. Each conference consists of a series of meetings, held typically every other year. There are neither written contributions nor proceedings. Unconventional ideas and new approaches, not yet fully explored, are encouraged.

Biomedicine and Health

Brain Development and Cognition in Human Infants: Development and Functional Specialization of the Cortex:
M.-S. De Schonen (Marseille) – San Feliu de Guixols, Spain, 23–28 September 1998

B Cells in Health and Disease: B Cells and Autoimmunity: F. K. Stevenson (Southampton) – Acquafredda di Maratea, Italy, 9–14 October 1998

Deadline for applications: 3–4 months before a conference. The conferences are open to researchers, whether from industry or academia. Attendance is limited to about 100. The emphasis will be on discussion about new developments. The registration fee covers full board and lodging. Grants are available for young scientists from less favoured regions in Europe.

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Friedrich Miescher-Award 1999

To commemorate the 100-year anniversary of the discovery of nucleic acids, the Swiss Society for Biochemistry has created the Friedrich Miescher Award. The prize is intended to honour young biochemists and is donated by the Friedrich Miescher Institute of Novartis AG in Basel.

The following guidelines apply for nominations:

1. The Friedrich Miescher Award may be awarded once every year to a young scientist for outstanding achievements in biochemistry.
2. Candidates are eligible who have not yet reached the age of 40 years on 1 January 1999.
3. Preference will be given to candidates with a documented record of independent research.
4. The scientific work must have been carried out in Switzerland or by Swiss scientists abroad.

Applications or nominations, including a letter stating the relevance of the candidate's scientific work, CV, list of publications and copies of the four most relevant publications should be submitted by 1 November 1998 to the secretary of the Swiss Society for Biochemistry:

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