

Preface

The fourth Spring Meeting of the European Journal of Pharmacology took place on June 10–12 2005 in Zeist, The Netherlands.

The EJP Spring Symposia are intended to further interaction between internationally renowned scientists and to produce a timely special issue of the journal, representing the state of art of the topics discussed during the symposium. The international nature of the Symposium guarantees in-depth discussions of the topics presented.

This fourth EJP Symposium dealt with *The Neuropsychopharmacology of Aggression and Addiction*, both topics of great interest to the readership of the European Journal of Pharmacology.

All Symposium Delegates were asked to contribute to the journal special issue. As a result the two central themes of the

Symposium were placed in a broader context than might be expected when only looking at the invited lectures in the program.

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