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**International Advanced Courses – 1997
Gulbenkian Biology and Medicine PhD Program
Institute for Molecular and Cell Biology,
University of Porto, Portugal
Molecular Neurogenetics**

May 26–June 3, 1997

A theoretical course with the main objectives to give the fundamentals of the experimental approaches used to elucidate molecular defects in neurological diseases and perspectives on the impact of gene manipulation in Neurobiology.

Speakers and Topics Include: Anthony Monaco (University of Oxford, UK): Identification of Gene Defects; Keith Johnson (University of Glasgow, UK): Repeat DNA Neuromuscular Disease; Daniel Kirschner (Boston College, USA), Maria João Saraiva (Universidade do Porto, Portugal): Animal Models for Neurological Diseases; Xandra Breakefield (Harvard University, USA): Gene Therapy in the nervous system.

Host Laboratory: Maria João Saraiva (Universidade do Porto, Portugal).

Registration: The attendance to the course is limited to 50 participants and is free. For selection, send your CV and reasons to attend the course to:

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**Second Announcement
Call for Abstracts and Registration**

**Interleukin-10 Workshop
September 10–13, 1997, Glasgow, UK**

The First Workshop on Basic and Clinical Aspects of Interleukin-10 will take place in the University of Glasgow Queen Elizabeth Building at Glasgow Royal infirmary.

The purpose of this workshop will be to bring together scientists and clinicians to present their data on IL-10 across a range of research and clinical fields. In doing this, we hope to allow information to be exchanged between different research and clinical areas.

The Workshop will be limited to 150 attendants and preference will be given to those who intend to present data – within this criterion, places will be allocated on a 'first come, first served basis'.

The following individuals have kindly agreed to speak at the Workshop and we hope to confirm additional speakers soon:

Fionula Brennan – Kennedy Institute, London
Raymond Donnelly, NIH, United States of America
Joyce Eskdale, University of Glasgow, Scotland
Tom Huizinga, University Hospital, Leiden, The Netherlands
Dieter Kube, University of Cologne, Germany
Kevin Moore, DNAX, United States of America

Abstracts

There is no restriction on the field of interest, any work which centres round IL-10 in a laboratory or clinical setting will be very welcome. Please limit your abstract to a size of 5 inches horizontal and 6 inches vertical (126 × 152 mm), including names, addresses, title. Tables and figures may be included but please remember that the abstracts will be reduced to approximately one half their original size when choosing fonts, type sizes and spacing. Unless absolutely impossible, please provide a laser print in the centre of an A4 page. The presenter and corresponding author (if different) should be identified and an E-mail address provided if available. Each delegate may present two abstracts. Approximately 70 abstracts will be selected for a 15-min oral presentation so please mark the page 'POSTER ONLY' if this is not desired. Abstracts will be selected for oral presentation in order to construct a balanced programme. A small number of 45-min slots will be available, please indicate if you would like to be considered for one of them.

Registration

The cost of registration will be £275 (two hundred and seventy five pounds sterling) per person. This will include accommodation in a private room for the nights of Wed 10th September, Thur 11th September and Fri 12th September; breakfasts on the mornings of 11th, 12th and 13th September; lunches on the 11th, 12th and 13th; coffee/tea on the 11th, 12th and 13th; a welcome party with drinks and buffet on the evening of 10th September and a ceilidh on the evening of the 12th September. Please send cheques or money orders in pounds sterling only, made payable to 'The Interleukin-10 Workshop'. Please do not attempt to register by E-mail or fax; postal registrations only will be accepted, with full payment.

Deadlines

The deadline for abstracts will be June 15, 1997. The deadline for registration will be June 15, 1997; late registration (if available) will be at a cost of £350.

Prizes

The meeting is not in receipt of corporate sponsorship and so we are not yet able to offer a registration discount to graduate students, however there will be a prize of £75 for the best oral presentation by a graduate student and £75 for the best poster presentation by a graduate student. Proof of student status will be required.

Other Information

We shall be able to accommodate special dietary requirements, so please indicate these and any food allergy or intolerance (gluten/lactose, etc). The language of the Workshop will be English and translation will not be available.

Sponsors

Companies interest in taking a display stand or sponsoring the meeting in some other way should contact Dr. Gallagher directly.

Please contact for further information:

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..... **Ultrasound Screening for Fetal Anomalies: Is It Worth It?**

A New York Academy of Sciences Conference,
June 23–25, 1997

Preliminary Program

Monday, June 23

Welcome Remarks from the New York Academy of Sciences
Aims of the Conference (Salvator Levi and Frank A. Chervenak)

Session I: The Relevance of Fetal Anomalies to Clinical Practice
Chairs: Asim Kurjak and Roberto Romero

- What Is a Fetal Anomaly? (Lewis Wolpert)
- How Common Are Fetal Anomalies? (Philippe De Wals)
- Fetal Anomalies and the Obstetrician (John C. Hobbins)
- Fetal Anomalies and the Pediatrician (Dominique Biarent)
- Anomalies and the Mental Health Professional (Thomas F. McNeil)
- The Impact of Anomalies on Self-Image (André Heilporn)

Session II: Does the Prenatal Diagnosis of Fetal Anomalies Affect Perinatal Outcome?

Chairs: Beryl Benacerraf and Hélène Grandjean

- Central Nervous System Defects (Stuart Campbell)
- Heart Defects (Gregory DeVore)
- Gastrointestinal Tract Defects (Daniel W. Skupski)
- Urogenital Tract Defects (Karel Maršál)
- Surgical Treatment for Fetal Defects: The State of the Art (Craig Albanese)
- Ultrasound Markers for the Detection of Down Syndrome (Beryl Benacerraf)
- The Role of Ultrasound in a Woman's Decision to Undergo Amniocentesis (Anthony Vintzileos)

Registration Fees

Conference registration fees are waived only for principal speakers and session chairs. Co-authors and poster presenters pay a registration fee:

	Before May 26	After May 26
1. Member of NYAS/Eurofetus Teams*	USD 345	USD 395
2. Nonmember	USD 445	USD 495
3. Student/Post-Doctoral Fellow/Resident*	USD 225	USD 250
4. Daily (indicate date(s) on form)	USD 190	USD 190

* Department Chair/Supervisor must sign registration form.

You are not officially registered until fees are received. You will be sent written confirmation.

Refunds

Written requests for refunds postmarked by May 26, 1997 will be issued minus an administrative fee of USD 50. Absolutely no refunds will be honored after that date.

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