First Announcement

The Cuban Society of Neuroimmunology is organizing the Second International Workshop on Neuroimmunology in the mark of Congress Immunopharmacology 2011, scheduled for June 26th to 30th, 2011 at Varadero beach. The meeting will be running in parallel with other Workshops and satellite Symposia which you can find at website (http://www.immunopharmacologycuba.com).

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Cuban Immunology Society

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Congress Venue: Meliá Varadero Hotel, Varadero Beach
GENERAL SCHEDULE

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Main Topics

- Biological markers in neurological diseases, Cerebrospinal fluid research.
- Inflammation, neuroimmunomodulation and neurodegeneration
- Molecular basis of inflammation and Mediators in CNS.
- Neurodegeneration and regeneration and neuronal plasticity.
- Modeling to human CNS diseases and Animal models
- Neuroimmunology and neurodevelopment disorders, Autism
- Regulatory mechanism of immune response in CNS diseases
- Neuropharmacology and Stem cell therapy
- Glial cells, Blood brain barrier and clinical research
- Immunological mechanism and nervous system damage

Call for Abstracts

- The Organizers will publish the full Scientific Program via Website with Keynote Address from well-known invited speakers and Oral Presentations chosen from submitted abstracts.

- When sending the abstract, please, indicate the Workshop and Topic in which you would like to be included.

- **Oral and Poster presentations should be clearly indicated.**

- The Organizing Committee will have the right of choosing oral presentation.

- The official language of the meeting is English.

- The Organizing Committee will inform authors by E-mail the acceptance of presentations after one month of abstract reception.

- **Deadline Submission Abstracts: February 15th, 2011.**

- **Full Instructions for Abstract can be find at web site.**
• The abstracts must be sent online and by E-mail to: Dr. Maria Robinson Agramonte (foreign delegates), E-mail: maria.robinson@infomed.sld.cu or Dr. Nancy Pavón Fuentes (local delegates), E-mail: nancy@neuro.ciren.cu

• Authors should provide their abstract in Word format (Arial, 12 pt, Single space). **Title**: In Black and capital letter, **Abstract** in Arial 10. **Authors**: Last name and first letter of the name using commas between every author (in black). The name of the author who will present the work should be underlined e.g. **Rodeiro I**, Menendez R, Remirez D, **Institutions, Addresses, E-mail**. Abstract should contain a **brief introduction, materials and methods, main results** achieved in research, **conclusions** and some reference if needed. 300 words maximum.

• The Congress program will be also printed and distributed with documentation on site.

• The lecturer should provide his full name, address of institution, e-mail, fax and telephone number.

• Facilities will be available in the Workshop sessions for computer-assisted presentations. You need to bring your presentation on a floppy disk (3.5"/1.44 MB, no ZIP disk), on a CD, or on a flash memory using the USB port. Participants presenting with a Macintosh presentation are requested to use their own laptop, making sure the laptop has a VGA socket for sending images to the projector (external feed)

**Preliminary Program**

**MAIN LECTURES:**

*ISNI President*

**CONCURRENT SYMPOSIA**

*June 26th Afternoon*
Welcome Ceremony, Opening Conference and Cocktail

*June 27th*
Neuroimmunoregulation, Neuroinmunomodulation and sinaptic plasticity
**Chairs:** Hartmut Wekerle and Hugo Basedovsky (Germany)
Plenary lectures: Harmut Wekerle

*June 28th*
Neurodegenerations, regenerations and stem cell therapy
**Chairs:** Jack Antel (Canada) and Jean Merrill, USA
Plenary lectures: Jack Antel

*June 29th*
On molecular mechanism and biomarkers in neurodevelopmental disorders
**Chairs:** Carmen Juracy Silveira Gottfried and Rudimar Dos Santos Riesgo Brasil
Plenary lectures: To be confirmed

*June 30th*
Plenary lecture: President ISNIM, (Germany)
Conclusions and Closing Ceremony

Additional related poster sessions will be organized

**Travel award application**

**Fellowships:** The meeting will offer a very limited number of travel award for PhD student presenting relevant results during the meeting.

**How to Apply:**

Application must include:

1. A letter of intention to attend the meeting
2. Curriculum vitae [Provide concise information in English in this order: Personal details, Academic degree, Previous awards (including grants and current fellowships), Publications. Independent courses and additional academic or research experience].
3. A brief points out on how you would benefit from this meeting.
4. Membership of International Society in connection with this field.
5. A letter of recommendation from the tutor or head of Dept.

Registration form and abstract must be also enclosed. To be eligible the applicant must be registered and the abstract submitted to the IWINI Organizing Committee.

Results of the application will be given for March 15th, 2011.

**Letter for Invitation**

The Organizers will provide a letter of invitation to participants for visa and funds. This letter doesn’t necessarily imply any financial support from the Congress Organizing Committee.

**Registration Fees**

**Early registration** (before March 15th, 2011)
**Later Registration** (after March 15th, 2011)

All delegates should pay in advance the registration fees. except delegates from USA who will pay in cash during the meeting. These last will be considered as early registration.

- Conference fee ensures accommodation at discount price, the program and abstract book, all receptions, admission to all lectures, use of the audiovisuals, coffee break during the conference days with meetings, welcome ceremony and cocktail and farewell activity.

- Accompanying persons will have the same admission rights as other participants.

- Please note that the registration fee does not include insurance.
• The registration payment **should not be done in USD.**

• The payment of the registration fee will be done online (by using credit card) or through the Congress’s account:

  • Name: **IMMUNOPHARMACOLOGY 2011** Account number which will can be find at website soon.

  • Bank Name: **Banco Financiero Internacional**

  • Branch address: **BFI, Office on 5th Avenue and 92 Street, Havana, Cuba**

  • Bank identification code: **BFICCUHH (SWIFT Code)**

  • IBAN (International Bank Account Number): **There is not IBAN for Cuban banks**

  Please quote participants name on the transfer slip. The sender must pay all transfer charge. For more information, please contact Dr. Maria Robinson: E mail: maria.robinson@infomed.sld.cu or Dr. Mario Landys Cuervo E-mail: mlandys@finlay.edu.cu.

You can also visit the Website: [http://www.immunopharmacologycuba.com](http://www.immunopharmacologycuba.com)