



International Society for Neurochemistry

The School on “Local protein synthesis in axons and dendrites” organized by ISN in cooperation with FENS in Kolymbari, Crete, Greece took place from September 24 until September 28. The participants were 9 speakers from Europe and America and 32 students from 13 countries. Travel grants were awarded to 12 students based on academic and financial criteria.

The topics of the lectures covered a wide range of themes regarding axonal and dendritic local protein synthesis and their contribution to neuronal plasticity and disease as well as the postulated role of glia in neuronal protein synthesis. In addition to eleven lectures, students presented their work in the form of oral as well as poster presentations and working in groups they also prepared and presented a grant proposal on “RNA binding proteins and synaptic plasticity”.

The evaluation of the School by the students was very good in terms of the subjects covered in the lectures, the interaction with the speakers and their fellow students as well as the venue itself. The students’ general impression was that they benefited very much from this particular School and that such Schools should be organized in a regular (annual or bi-annual) base.

On behalf of the LOC

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