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Final Report to



The International Neurochemistry Society

from



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The University of Queensland

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Flinders University, South Australia

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Basic information

Title of the meeting:

ISCCB 2015 – The International Symposium on Chromaffin Cell Biology

Dates: August 17-21, 2015

Organizers: Professor Frederic Meunier, University of Queensland
A/Professor Damien Keating, Flinders University, South Australia

Venue: The Pullman Reef Casino Hotel, Cairns,
Tropical North Queensland, Australia

Registration and registration fees

Early Bird Fee/Regular Fee: \$650/\$750

The fee included:

- Arrival coffee, Morning tea, Lunch and afternoon tea, as per the program.
- 2 x Poster sessions that included a Reception and Wine and Cheese.
- Conference dinner – rooftop, pool deck, outdoors and tropical evening, with dancing

Program

- The scientific program ran over 4 days, with one day of excursions.
- Topics included:
 - the mechanism of exocytosis
 - catecholamine secretion
 - secretory granule formation and trafficking
 - calcium regulation
 - stress signals and physiology
 - hypertension and neuroendocrine tumor biology

Session titles and program:

Attached PDF file

Plenary Speakers

Peter	Dunkley (Australia)
Reinhard	Jahn (Germany)
Erwin	Neher (Germany)
Rudiger	Rudolf (Germany)
Matthijs	Verhage (The Netherlands)
Justin	Marshall (Australia) Opening Reef Talk with slides

Invited Speakers

Youssef	Anouar
Uri	Ashery
Sebastien	Barg
Ute	Becherer
Ricardo	Borges
Nils	Brose
Dieter	Bruns
Stephen	Bunn
Brett	Collins
Angelo	Corti
Mike	Cousin
Madhurima	Dhara

Lee	Eiden
Andrew	Ewing
Anna	Fejtova
Stephane	Gasman
Kevin	Gillis
Yukiko	Goda
Sarah	Gordon
Rachel	Gormal
Mark	Graham
Luis M	Gutierrez
Volker	Haucke
Richard	Huganir
Meyer	Jackson
Damien	Keating
Rudolf	Kirchmair
Peng	Loh
Nitish	Mahapatra
Thomas	Martin
Frederic	Meunier
Christina	Mitchell
Maité	Montero-Hadjadje
Vinod	Narayana
Andreas	Papadopoulos
Jens	Rettig
Josep	Rizo
Phillip	Robinson
Sanjib	Senapati
Shuzo	Sugita
Peter	Thorn
Bruno	Tota
Nicolas	Vitale

Sonja	Wojcik
Ling-Gang	Wu
Tao	Xu
Laurent	Yon
Robert	Zorec

Speakers selected from Abstracts

Prabhodh	Adbineni
Sylvette	Chasserot-Golaz
Sandra	Cooper
Kasper	Engholm-Keller
Pablo	Gorostiza
Amanda	Lumsden
Sushil	Mahata
Sumana	Mahata
Fernando	Marengo
Hoda	Mashadi Fathali
Iago	Mendez-Lopez
Neda	Najafinobar
Nathan	Pavlos
Carmen	Perez-de-Nanclares
Elizabeth	Seward
Claudia	Tomes
Danielle	Tranter
Jianping	Wu
Scott	Merrington, LEICA
Tony	Swinscoe, LEICA

Highlights of the meeting

The ISCCB meeting was a great success with over 100 attendees across 5 days of exciting science. This included 18 different symposia sessions and 5 Plenary Lectures. These plenary lectures provided some of the highlights of the meeting. Reinhard Jahn (Germany) provided the first chromaffin cell plenary lecture of the meeting and provided a detailed outline of his research over the past 20 years on SNARE protein structure and function in Ca²⁺-dependent exocytosis. Peter Dunkley (Australia) was our local plenary lecturer, a true leader in the mechanisms controlling catecholamine synthesis in normal physiology and in stress through phosphorylation of tyrosine hydroxylase. Possibly the greatest highlight of the meeting was provided by Nobel Laureate Erwin Neher (Germany), who provided an outstanding perspective on the cellular mechanisms governing exocytosis in endocrine cells in comparison to synapses. Rudiger Rudolf (Germany) presented a beautiful memorial lecture celebrating the life and career of our late good friend, Hans-Herman Gerdes. This was in addition to Rudiger's discussions on his own exciting research findings related to cholinergic signalling at the neuromuscular junction. The final plenary lecture was presented by Matthijs Verhage (The Netherlands) who discussed his large body of research on the function of the presynaptic proteins in health and disease. This was an extremely strong and focussed meeting bringing together many of the leaders in the field and provided the opportunity for these scientists to share their work as well as their thoughts on where the field is heading. Promising young scientists were thrilled to receive their poster prizes from Prof Erwin Neher, whom we thank once again for his contribution to the meeting.

Material distribution/Satchel inserts

Leica Microsystems

ISN Major Sponsor's page in program

Social events

- The conference opening consisted of a welcome by the Deputy Mayor of Cairns the host city, and a talk with slides by an expert on the Great Barrier Reef. Prof Marshall is a neuroscientist from the Queensland Brain Institute at the University of Queensland, whose work on the Reef animals' visual systems is widely acclaimed. His seminar including diving photography of the Reef and its animals was stunning and a great introduction to the excursion to the Reef.
- The Welcome Reception was held on the first day with the exhibition and posters. A most convivial affair.
- Wine and Cheese sessions: 2 parallel sessions of selected talks (each 10 minutes duration), and two Exhibitor presentations (each 5 minutes duration). These fast-paced presentations generated good discussions over the Wine and Cheese that followed.
- The conference Dinner was held outdoors on the pooldeck –the best environment when in the tropics! Dancing and a presentation by Prof Elizabeth Seward, the convenor of the 19th ISCCB to be held in the UK in 2017, was included in proceedings.
- The Excursions organised through the conference were diving/snorkelling on the Great Barrier Reef and a trip to the Daintree Rain Forest. Both of these places are world heritage listed and of astonishing, natural beauty. Delegates paid extra for these at reduced rate for a conference group.

Prizes and Travel awards

Prizes:

Best ECR Poster: *Ex aequo* - Kasper **Engholm-Keller**; Ping **Zhao**

Best Student Poster **Alyce Martin**

Travel Awards:

Kasper Engholm-Keller (ECR - \$450)

Sarah Gordon (ECR - \$450)

Ravi Kiran Kasula (ECR - \$450)

Andrius Masedunskas (ECR - \$450)

Pika Miklavc (ECR - \$450)

Hoda Mashadi Fathali (ECR - \$450)

Sumana Mahata (ECR - \$450)

Prabhodh Adbineni (\$650)

Iago Mendez-Lopez (\$650)

Carmen Perez-de-Nanclares (\$650)

Danielle Tranter (\$650)

Travel subsidies for Invited Speakers / Plenary Speakers

\$4,000 – Yousef **Annouar** - Session Chair for disbursement to speakers

\$2,000 – Rüdiger **Rüdolf**

\$2,000 – Michael **Koslov**

\$1,937.55 – to each of 13 invited speakers:

\$650 – pre-payment for Peng **Loh**, NIH presenter

\$250 – complimentary registration for Richard **Huganir** (one-day attendee)

\$520 – disbursed to each of 7 committee members, all of whom travelled to the meeting

Travel subsidies for Invited Speakers / Plenary Speakers *continued*

To each of the following **AUD \$1,937.55***

** Ros Barrett-Lennard:*

Note: In committee discussion, this speaker reimbursement list was revised down, as some of the original list were already sponsored to attend. In that process, the names were adjusted, the amount was inadvertently not adjusted in the report. The amount of refund in the report is therefore revised upwards, from \$1,399 to \$1,937.55

ISN sponsorship of AUD16,902.26 was received September, 2014. This amount was applied to the Plenary Speaker travel subsidies as per below, which in total amounted to AUD25,188.20.

Uri	Ashery
Sebastian	Barg
Angelo	Corti
Andrew	Ewing
Luis	Gutierrez
Reinhard	Jahn
Manfred	Lindau
Erwin	Neher
Jens	Rettig
Joseph	Rizo-Rey
Corey	Smith
Shuzo	Sugita
Robert	Zorec

Sponsorship

Major Sponsors:

ISN - The International Neurochemistry Society
Flinders University, South Australia
QBI - Queensland Brain Institute
SANI - South Australian Neuroscience Institute
The University of Queensland

Gold Sponsor:

Abcam plc

Session Sponsor:

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Sponsors and Exhibitors:

The University of Western Sydney
The University of Newcastle
CMRI Children's Medical Research Institute
The University of Sydney
LEICA Microsystems
IMB, The Institute for Molecular Bioscience,
The University of Queensland
Monash University

Budget

ISCCB 2015 CONFERENCE

INCOME	AUD
Delegate payment	121,315.90
Sponsorship	54,902.05
Sponsorship ISN remaining (est.)	4,000.00
TOTAL	180,217.95

EXPENDITURE

Bank charges	-2,752.46
Conference costs	-7,638.79
Exhibition and posters	-915.60
Hotels	-7,838.36
Insurances	-4,800.00
Professional costs	-22,590.90
Salaries & honoraria	-4,879.09
Speaker cost	- 8342.72
Sundry costs	-655.30
Telephone & Fax	-443.97
Travel/Conference	-1,438.90
Venue	-88,733.63
Speaker and Committee refunds	-29,188.23
TOTAL	-180,217.95

BALANCE SHEET

Profit (Loss)	0.00
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List of participants

Surname	First	Organisation	Registrant
Abbineni	Prabhodh	University of Western Sydney	Student
Anouar	Youssef	Rouen University	Full
Arranz-Tagarro	Juan-Alberto	Universidad Autonoma de Madrid	Full
Ashery	Uri	The George S. Wise Faculty of Life Sciences	Full
Barg	Sebastian	Uppsala University	Full
Barrett-Lennard	Rosalind	MTCi Magic Touch Consultancies	Organiser
Becherer	Ute	Saarland University	Full
Borges	Ricardo	University of La Laguna	Full
Brose	Nils	Max Planck Institute of Experimental Medicine	Full
Bruns	Dieter	University of Saarland	Full
Bunn	Stephen	University of Otago	Full
Chasserot-Golaz	Sylvette	CNRS, University of Strasbourg	Full
Collins	Brett	University of Queensland	Full
Cooper	Sandra	The University of Sydney	Full
Coorssen	Jens	University of Western Sydney	Full
Corti	Angelo	Fondazione Centro San Raffaele	Full
Cousin	Michael	University of Edinburgh	Full
Dabral	Deepti	University of Western Sydney	Student
Dhara	Madhurima	University of Saarland	Student
Dickson	Phillip	The University of Newcastle	Full
Dunkley	Peter	The University of Newcastle	Full
Eiden	Lee	NIMH-IRP	Full
Engholm-Keller	Kasper	Children's Medical Research Institute	Full

Ewing	Andrew	Chalmers University and University of Gothenburg	Full
Fejtova	Anna	Leibniz Institute for Neurobiology	Full
Gasman	Stephane	CNRS UPR 3212-INCI	Full
Gillis	Kevin	University of Missouri, Columbia	Full
Goda	Yukiko	RIKEN Brain Science Institute	Full
Gordon	Sarah	University of Melbourne	Full
Gorostiza	Pablo	Institute for Bioengineering of Catalonia	Full
Graham	Mark	Children's Medical Research Institute	Full
Gutierrez	Luis	CSIC-Universidad Miguel Hernandez CIF Q5350015C	Full
Haucke	Volker	Leibniz Institute for Molecular Pharmacology	Full
Huganir	Richard	Johns Hopkins University	Full
Jackson	Meyer	University of Wisconsin	Full
Jahn	Reinhard	Max-Planck-Institute for Biophysical Chemistry, Göttingen	Full
Joensuu	Merja	The University of Queensland	Full
Kasula	RaviKiran	The University of Queensland	Student
Keating	Damien	Flinders University	Full
Kirchmair	Rudolf	Medical University Innsbruck	Full
Kozlov	Michael	Tel Aviv University	Full
Kumar	Pardeep	Jawaharlal Nehru University	Student
Lihmann	Isabelle	University of Rouen	Full
Lindau	Manfred	Cornell University	Full
Livett	Bruce		Full
Loh	Peng	NIH, Bethesda	Full
Lovic	Jelena	Chalmers University of Technology	Student
Lumsden	Amanda	Flinders University	Full
Mahapatra	Nitish	Indian Institute of Technology Madras	Full
Mahata	Sushil	VA San Diego Healthcare System & University of California, San Diego	Full

Mahata	Sumana	California Institute of Technology	Student
Marengo	Fernando	Facultad de Ciencias Exactas y Naturales - Universidad de Buenos Aires	Full
Marshall	Justin	The University of Queensland	Full
Martin	Thomas	University of Wisconsin	Full
Martin	Alyce	Flinders University	Student
Masedunskas	Andrius	University of NSW	Full
Mashadi Fathali	Hoda	Chalmers Techniska Hogskola AB	Student
Mendez Lopez	Iago	Univesidad Autonoma de Madrid	Student
Merrington	Scott	Leica Microsystems Pty Ltd	Exhibition
Meunier	Frederic	The University of Queensland	Full
Miklavc	Pika	Ulm University	Full
Mitchell	Christina	Monash University	Full
Montero- Hadjadje	Maite	Inserm U982, University of Rouen	Full
Moya-Diaz	Jose	IFIByNE (CONICET)-Institute of Physiology, Molecular Biology and Neuroscience	Student
Mukherjee	Somnath	Jawaharlal Nehru University	Student
Najafinobar	Neda	Chalmers University of Technology	Student
Narayana	Vinod	The University of Queensland	Student
Neher	Erwin	Max Planck Institute for Biophysical Chemistry, Goettingen	Full
Padin	Juan- Fernando	School of Medicine; Universidad Autonoma de Madrid	Full
Papadopulos	Andreas	Queensland Brain Institute, The University Of Queensland	Full
Pavlos	Nathan	The University of Western Australia	Full
Pawlak	Robert	University of Exeter Medical School	Full
PerezdeNancl ares	Carmen	Universidad Autonoma de Madrid	Student

Rettig	Jens	Saarland University	Full
Rizo	Josep	UT Southwestern Medical Center	Full
Robinson	Phillip	Children's Medical Research Institute	Full
Rudolf	Ruediger	Mannheim University of Applied Sciences	Full
Senapati	Sanjib	IIT Madras	Full
Senthil Kumaran	Manjula	University of South Australia	Student
Seward	Elizabeth	University of Sheffield	Full
Smith	Corey	Case Western Reserve University	Full
Sugita	Shuzo	University of Toronto; University Health Network	Full
Swinscoe	Anthony	Leica Microsystems Pty Ltd	Exhibitor
Thorn	Peter	University of Queensland	Full
Tomes	Claudia	IHEM-CONICET, Cuyo National University	Full
Tota	Bruno	University of Calabria	Full
Tranter	Danielle	University of Otago	Student
Verhage	Matthijs	VU University Medical Center (VUmc) Amsterdam	Full
Vitale	Nicolas	CNRS UPR-3212, University of Strasbourg	Full
Wojcik	Sonja	Max Planck Institute for Experimental Medicine	Full
Wu	Jiangping	University of Montreal	Full
Wu	Ling-Gang	NIH, Bethesda	Full
Xu	Tao	Institute of Biophysics, CAS	Full
YON	Laurent	University of Rouen - Normandie University	Full
Zhao	Ping	South-Central University for Nationalities	Full
Zorec	Robert	Univerza v Ljubljani, Medicinska fakulteta	Full

Photos

Alyce Martin sent through photos from ISCCB 2015 via *WeTransfer*.

End of Report.

Attachments: PDF of the conference program

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