



## Announcements

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The ESHG publishes short announcements (free of charge for ESHG members) regarding meetings in Europe, positions available and other announcements of interest to the Human Genetics community in Europe

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### **22nd Annual Conference of the European Teratology Society**

September 12–15, 1994, Prague, Czech Republic

In association with the 4th Scientific Meeting of the International Federation of Teratology Societies (IFTS)

On Monday, September 12, there will be a 1-day education course on 'Epidemiology of adverse pregnancy outcome'; separate registration for this course will be possible.

*Main Conference Topics:* Cardiovascular malformations: from the patients to the molecule. Late consequences of intrauterine exposure. The environment and reproduction (organized by IFTS).

*Language:* The official language at the conference will be English.

*Venue:* Center for Postgraduate and Manager Studies Krystal, Charles University, Prague 6-Veleslavín, José Martího 2.

*Trade Exhibition:* Substantial space will be available for trade exhibitions during the whole period of the conference. For more detailed information please contact the Secretariat of the Conference.

*Social Programme:* A number of social and cultural activities are planned for the conference participants, including a programme for accompanying persons.

*Further Information:* Preliminary registration should be made by January 15, 1994. The detailed programme with particulars on the scientific programme, social events, accommodation, registration fees (substantially reduced for students), mode of payments and final application forms will be sent during March 1994.

*Local Organizing Committee:*

Prof. MUDr. Richard Jelinek

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### **International System for Human Cytogenetic Nomenclature (ISCN)**

The ISCN standing Committee intends to update and revise the nomenclature for constitutional chromosome aberrations, and combine the guidelines for constitutional (ISCN 1985) and acquired (ISCN 1991) chromosome abnormalities in one volume. The Committee would very much appreciate receiving information on ambiguities or inadequacies in the current ISCN nomenclature. Please send your comments and suggestions for improvements before August 1, 1994, to the Chairman:

Professor Felix Mitelman  
Department of Clinical Genetics  
University Hospital  
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### **Ares Serono International Symposium Where Phenotype Does Not Match Genotype**

October 13–14, 1994, Cassa di Risparmio,  
Volterra, Italy

Information:

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A limited number of free communications will be accepted for poster presentation. Abstracts must be submitted before June 15, 1994 (postmarked).

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### **French Society of Human Genetics**

We are pleased to announce the annual meeting of the 'French Society of Human Genetics' to be held December 14, 1994, at Hôpital des Enfants Malades in Paris. The scientific program includes uniparental disomy and the phacomatoses. We are soliciting submissions for attendees for the oral presentation. If you wish to present your research at this meeting, please send an abstract not later than November 3rd, 1994, to Prof. Claude Stoll.

For more information contact:

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### **Fourth Annual Meeting of the European Alliance of Genetic Support Groups**

From Friday June 3 to Sunday June 5, 1994, the European Alliance of Genetic Support Groups (EAGS) will organize its Fourth Annual Meeting. The meeting takes place at the

International Conference Centre  
Cité des Sciences et de l'Industrie de la Villette  
30, avenue Corentin-Cariou  
F-75019 Paris (France)

parallel to the 26th Annual Meeting of the European Society of Human Genetics.

The EAGS was founded in 1991 as an umbrella organization of national and supernational patient support groups in Europe, helping people and families who suffer from genetic or congenital disorders. Membership is open to European federations of diagnosis-bound patient support groups, as well as to national umbrella organizations, whenever they deal with genetic or congenital diseases.

Scientific and technical developments have far-reaching consequences for both individuals and society as a whole. Scientists as well as practitioners, politicians and ethicists are involved. Fundamental principles are at stake, so the input of laymen's experiences gets increasing importance.

Therefore, the programme of the meeting pays due attention to subjects like: should 'freedom of choice' be respected under all circumstances? patenting of the human genome; the function of support groups for patients and scientists; a general, basic approach of ethical questions related to genetics and congenital disorders.

Language: English

Registration: the meeting is open to (future) members. They should register before the end of April 1994 at the EAGS secretariat.

Further information:

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### **International Symposium on 'Genomic Imprinting'**

November 20-22, 1994  
Palazzo dei Congressi, Florence, Italy

*Topics:* Chromosomal syndromes, Embryonic Development, Childhood cancer, 'New diagnostic approaches in identification of genetic syndromes'.

*Invited Speakers:* C. Babinet (France), S. Cassidy (USA), B. Cattanaach (UK), E. Engel (Switzerland), A. Ferguson-Smith (UK), M. Fraccaro (Italy), H. Galjaard (The Netherlands), R. Gorlin (USA), J. Hall (USA), D. Halley (The Netherlands), C. Junien (France), M.F. Lyon (UK), A. Milunsky (USA), R. Nicholls (USA), R. Ohlsson (Sweden), E. Passarge (FRG), M. Pembrey (UK), P.E. Polani (UK), C. Sapienza (USA), A. Schinzel (Switzerland).

Reduced registration fees have been arranged for young researchers and students (US\$ 130); fellowships are also available. The Symposium is dedicated to Richard Goodman.

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