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Dear Ms. Hart,
and
Dear Professor Duckles

In a few days before I received an E-mail letter from professor Koji Takeuchi (Kyoto, Japan), in which he informed me that we need to give a short overview on the our activity in the last years.

Earlier I sent different letter to you, but probably these were sent earlier as those would be necessary.

In the forthcoming text I will do a short summary on the „official story,, of IUPHAR GI Pharmacology Section.

This Section was officially established in 1994 at the time of main IUPHAR Congress in Montreal (Canada) however, this line (which was named later as GI Section) worked form 1984 (when the IUPHAR Congress was organized in London, UK).

The following international conferences were organized before the officially established the IUPHAR GI Section:

1.)

First International Symposium on Experimental and New Therapeutic Approaches to Ulcer Disease August 6-7, 1984 (Pécs, Hungary)

Chairpersons: Gy. Mózsik, (Pécs, Hungary), S. Szabó (Boston, USA).

Publications:

Abstract:

Gy. Mózsik & S. Szabó: Digestion 31:137-176, 1985.

Book:

S. Szabó & Gy. Mózsik (Eds.) New Pharmacology of Ulcer Disease. Experimental and New Therapeutic Approaches. Elsevier Science Publishing Co., Inc. New York, pp.1-597, 1987.

2.)

Second International Symposium on Experimental and New Therapeutic. July 10-12, 1990, (Pécs, Hungary).

Chairpersons: Gy. Mózsik (Pécs, Hungary) S. Szabó (Boston, USA).

Publications:

Abstract:

Dig. Dis. Sci.: 35:1025-1044, 1990

3.)

International Symposium on Biochemical Pharmacology as an Approach to Gastrointestinal Disorders: from Basic Science to Clinical Perspectives. October 10-12., 1995 (Pécs, Hungary)

Chairpersons: T. S. Gaginella (Madison, USA), Gy. Mózsik (Pécs, Hungary) K. D. Rainsford (Sheffield, UK).

Publications:

Abstract:

Dig. Dis. Sci.: 41:440-451. 1996.

Book:

T. S. Gaginella, Gy. Mózsik, K. D. Rainsford (Eds): Biochemical Pharmacology as an Approach to Gastrointestinal Disorders. Basic Science to Clinical Perspectives. Kluwer Academic Publishers. Dordrecht, Boston, London. pp. 1-396. 1997.

4.)

IUPHAR GI Section Conference: New Approaches to Pharmacotherapy for Hepatic and Gastrointestinal Inflammatory and Ulcerative Disorders. September 3-7., 1996 (Sperlonga, Italy)

Chairpersons: A. Guglietta (Ann Arbor, USA) T. S. Gaginella (Madison, USA)

Publications:

Abstract:

Dig. Dis. Sci.: 42: 195-211, 1996.

5.)

Third International Symposium on Experimental and New Therapeutic Approaches to Ulcer Diseases. July 23-25, 1998 (Pécs, Hungary)

Chairpersons: Gy. Mózsik (Pécs, Hungary) S. Szabó (Irvine, USA)

Publications:

Abstracts:

Dig. Dis. Sci.: 43: 2338-2351, 1998.

J. Physiol (Paris) 93:403-512 (1989) (full papers)

J. Physiol (Paris) 94:1-161 (2000). (full papers)

6.)

Advances in Gastrointestinal Pharmacology: from Acid Secretion to Mucosal Protection. July 13-15, 2002 (Honolulu, Hawaii, USA)

Chairpersons: K. Takeuchi (Kyoto, Japan) S. Okabe (Kyoto, Japan)

Publications:

Abstracts:

Inflammopharmacology 10, 525-589. (2002)

Inflammopharmacology 10:291-524 (2000) (full papers)

7.)

IUPHAR GI Section Conference: Advances in Gastrointestinal Pharmacology. From Acid Secretion to Mucosal Protection November 20-22., 2004. (Otsu, Japan)

Chairperson: K. Takeuchi Kyoto, Japan)

The Symposium is under organization.

The Abstracts and Papers will be published

8.)

Bioregulation in the Gastrointestinal Tract: Seek the Hidden Gold in Homeostasis. IUPHAR Satellite Symposium in the Organization of 12th International Conference of Ulcer Research (ICUR) July 7-9., 2006 (Osaka, Japan)

Chairman: T. Arakawa (Osaka, Japan)

The Symposium is under organization.

The Abstracts and Papers will be published

9.)

IUPHAR Congress in Beijing (2006)

The necessary time for the section at least a half day for two-tree Symposium. On the information for the members of GI Section the following Symposiums are planned together with tentative title of the papers of participants:

A.)

Central and Peripheral Mechanisms Involved in the GI Mucosal Damage and Protection

Chairmen: Gy. Mózsik (Pécs, Hungary) K. Takeuchi (Kyoto, Japan) S. Szabó (Irvine, USA)

Planned invited lectures:

1. K. Gyires (Budapest, Hungary): Central and Peripheral Receptor-Mediated Mechanisms.
2. Y. Taché (Los Angeles, USA): Neuropeptide Regulation in the GI Mucosal Damage and Protection
3. K. D. Rainsford (Sheffield, UK): New Trends in the NSAIDs Research from the Point of GI Mucosal Damage and Prevention
4. T. Filaretova (St. Petersburg, Russia): Hormonal Regulation of GI Mucosal Protection
5. C. H. Cho (Hong Kong, China): Nitrogen-monoxide in the GI Mucosal Damage and Protection
6. B. Whittle (London, UK): Inductions of Different Enzyme Systems of Nitrogen-monoxide and Their Pharmacological Modifications
7. K. Takeuchi (Kyoto, Japan): GI Motoric Acitvity and GI Mucosal Damage and Prevention
8. T. Khomenko (Irvine, USA): Participation of Growth Factors in the GI Mucosal Protection.
9. S. Okabe (Kyoto, Japan): H-pylorri-induced Actions in Knock Out Animals.
10. Gy. Mózsik (Pécs, Hungary): VR1/CR1 Receptors in the GI Mucosal Damage and Protection in Human Healthy Subjects and in GI Patients
11. B. Hunyady (Pécs, Hungary): Subtypes of Somatostatin in GI Tract
12. B. M. Pescar (Bochum, Germany): Role of Prostaglandings, Leukotrienes and Related Compounds in Gastroprotection

B.)

Regulation of GI Mucosal Protection and Repair

Chairmen: S. Okabe (Kyoto, Japan) S. Szabó (Irvine, USA) A. Tarnawski (Irvine, USA)

Planned invited lectures:

1. A. Tarnawski (Irvine, USA): Molecular Pharmacological and Biochemical Approach to Ulcer Healing
2. Gy. Mózsik (Pécs, Hungary): Cellular Biochemistry of Retinoids in the GI Mucosal Protection in Indomethacin- and Salicylate-treated Rats
3. S. Szabó (Irvine, USA): Growth Factors in the Repair of GI Mucosa
4. S. Okabe (Kyoto, Japan): Evidences for the Function of Receptors in the GI Mucosal Repair (In Knock Out Animals)

C.)

Prostaglandin Receptors and Their Regulations in the Gastrointestinal Tract.

Chairman: K. Takeuchi (Kyoto, Japan)

Planned invited lectures:

At this moment we calculate three-four lectures.

Elected new leadership of IUPHAR GI Section:

(Updated by the end of 2002)

Chair:

Prof. Gy. Mózsik (Hungary)

Vice Chair:

Prof. K. D. Rainsford (UK)

Secretary:

Prof. B. M. Pescar (Germany)

Treasurer:

Prof. T. Khomenko (USA)

Communications Committee Chair:

Dr. S. Evangelista (Italy)

Long-Range Planning Chair:

Prof. S. Okabe (Japan)

Membership Committee Chair:

Prof. J. V. Espluges (Spain)

Nominating Committee Chair:

Prof. B. Hunyady (Hungary)

Program Committee Chair:

Dr. A. G. Fernandez (Spain)

Member Ex-officio:

Dr. T. S. Gaginella (USA)

Councilors:

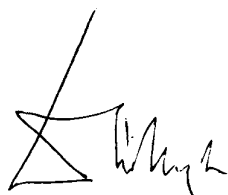
Prof. L. Bueno (France)
Prof. P. Holzer (Austria)
Prof. S. Szabó (USA)
Prof. J. L. Wallace (Canada)
Prof. B. J. Whittle (UK)
Prof. K. Takeuchi (Japan)

General problems of GI Pharmacology Section:

- 1.) Please to accept the changes in the leadership of the section;
- 2.) Please to accept our report on the activity of GI Pharmacology Section;
- 3.) We would appreciate very much if you could accept our proposed Symposium to put in the program;
- 4.) The section would ask some economical help for the organization (printing, publication, etc.);
- 5.) I keep contact to everybody by e-mail so please to indicate me what we need to do in the forthcoming time.
- 6.) My address, phone, fax and e-mail are located on my e-mail;
- 7.) I have good personal and research contact with Professor S. Szabó and Dr. T. Khomenko in about 20 years period, consequently they will give further explanation and information to you.

We are waiting your replay.

Very sincerely yours:

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'G. Mózsik', written over a faint rectangular box.

Gyula Mózsik, M.D., Sc.D.

Professor of Medicine
President of IUPHAR GI Pharmacology Section