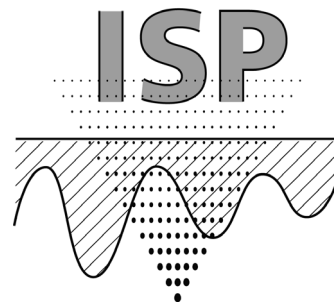


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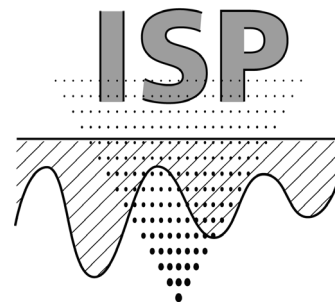
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International Society of Skin Pharmacology and Physiology



This is an exciting time to be working in the field of life sciences, such as skin biology and physiology. A tissue with all essential biological processes located at the interface of our environment, e.g. from stem cells to differentiation processes, controlled apoptosis to perfect barrier formation and many more. The genetic code, the proteomic network and cellular machinery are being unravelled at an ever increasing speed and we are moving from molecules to mechanisms. The barriers between disciplines are disappearing allowing an understanding of the essential barrier systems of skin and its implication to pharmacology. Physicians, pharmacologists, biochemists, cell biologists, developmental biologists, geneticists, immunologists, microbiologists, molecular biologists and neurobiologists are now all using the same molecular tools and speaking the same scientific language. To encourage interdisciplinary working and hold the excitement of today, Skin Pharmacology and Physiology need a platform for scientific exchange and cooperation in the fields of Genomics and Proteomics of the skin, Metabolism, Morphomics, Pharmacology, Immunology, Oncology, and Pharmaceutics of the skin and Regulatory.

Therefore, a new organization named ISP – International Society of Skin Pharmacology and Physiology has been launched, which will work in parallel and in close cooperation with the existing national and international societies and workgroups. Its initial goal is to provide a high profile international forum serving the interests of the scientific community. It will promote the scientific activities of skin pharmacology and physiology, using molecular tools and state-of-the-art techniques and methodology. The membership of the society is open to individuals and institutions from all over the world.

The highlight of the meeting, which will be organized each year, will be the presentations concerning current scientific progress in Skin Pharmacology and Physiology, as well as the poster discussion sessions, which will take place in the

midst of the scientific exhibition. The scientific exhibition is planned to present the opportunity for industry to display their products to the community. A major goal is the intensification of the cooperation between public research institutions and industry and the know-how transfer of basic results and methods for industrial application. Another important function will be the promotion of public understanding of new developments in the field of skin health and to provide a critical forum for discussing their implications for society.

The Journal of Skin Pharmacology and Physiology will provide current information on new research topics and results. It is a base for the presentation of results also obtained by industry. The Society is a platform to attract young qualified scientists in industrial research and development, as well as from basic science institutions. It will bridge research with legislative authorities in skin pharmacology and skin physiology. Furthermore, it will interact with international organizations (e.g. NIH, WHO, European Union, European Regulatory Org., NIST, etc.) and play an active role in shaping research policies.

The Society was founded in December 2003 in Basel, supported by the publishing company S. Karger AG. The founding committee have elected Joachim Fluhr as President, Christian Surber and Michael Roberts as Vice-Presidents. Working groups representing different areas of Skin Pharmacology and Physiology have been established. The organization has been set out by this council, which is also responsible for the planning and activities of the meetings.