Forthcoming events

2006

January 26–29 Granada, Spain	2nd FEBS Advanced Course on Biology and Pathophysiology of Poly(ADP-Ribosylation) Contact: F. Javier Oliver Email. joliver@ipb.csic.es
February 4–8 Sede Boqer, Israel	Woody Root Processes – Revealing the Hidden Half www.cost38.net
April 9–13 Brisbane, Australia	3rd International Conference on Legume Genomics and Genetics www.iclgg3.org
May 22–27 Beijing, China	2nd Symposium on Plant Neurobiology www.plantneurobiology.org
July 4–8 Madrid, Spain	2nd FEMS Congress of the European Microbiologists www.fems-microbiology.org
August 4–10 Vienna, Austria	5th International Symbiosis Society Congress people.bu.edu/iss/ www.isscongress2006.com (see next page for more details)
August 20–25 Adelaide, Australia	8th International Congress of Plant Molecular Biology Contact: Sally Jay Conferences ispmb@sallyjayconferences.com.au

Position Announcement

Plant Systematist University of Minnesota, Twin Cities

The Department of Plant Biology and the Bell Museum of Natural History at the University of Minnesota announce a 9-month tenure-track position for an assistant professor and herbarium curator in the area of non-flowering plant systematics and/or mycology.

Candidates are required to have experience in collectionsbased research involving non-flowering plants and/or fungi including lichens. The successful applicant is expected to develop an externally funded research program; contribute to teaching and advising in organismal biology and systematics; curate sections of the herbarium including lichens; and contribute to public outreach through the Bell Museum. Tenure will reside in the Department of Plant Biology. The successful applicant is also expected to foster collaboration with biologists in other fields including phylogenetics, molecular evolution, genomics, development, ecology and/or conservation biology. A Ph.D. degree and herbarium experience is required; post-doctoral experience is preferred.

Please send a curriculum vitae, up to five selected reprints, a statement of research, teaching and curatorial interests and experience, and three letters of reference to: Dr. George Weiblen, Search Committee Chair, Department of Plant Biology, 250 Biological Sciences Center, 1445 Gortner Avenue, University of Minnesota, St. Paul, MN 55108, USA (gweiblen@umn.edu).

The committee will meet to begin consideration of complete applications on December 1, 2005. For further information visit the Department of Plant-Biology at www.cbs.umn.edu/plantbio, the Bell Museum of Natural History at bellmuseum.org. The University of Minnesota is an equal opportunity educator and employer.

5th International Symbiosis Society Congress (5-ISS)

August 4-10, 2006 in Vienna, Austria

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Organizing Committee

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- Jörg Ott, Marine Biology, Department of Marine Biology, University of Vienna, Austria
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- Katarzyna Turnau, Ecological Microbiology, Department of Ecological Microbiology, Jagiellonian University, Krakow, Poland
- Douglas Zook, ISS President and Acting Treasurer, Boston University, USA

Early Registration

(Deadline registration May 15, 2006)

ISS member	Euro	315
Student ISS member		175
Pre-college teacher ISS member		280
Non-ISS member		450
Non-ISS member, student		250
Non-ISS member, pre-college teacher		400
Accompanying person		100

Contributing papers and poster abstracts, as well as registration can be processed at www.isscongress2006.com

Symposia Themes

The Vienna Congress will continue to build upon the symbiotic theme approach initiated at Halifax. A key goal of the Society continues to be the fostering of research ideas, methods, results across the symbiotic system themes. This cross-talk and sharing is essential if the symbiosis discipline is to grow and evolve, for its practice will lead to new collaborations, understanding, and questions. The thematic program and the name of the session chair/keynote is as follows:

- * Congress keynote speaker: Lynn Margulis, USA
- * Multiple partner associations (Ute Henschel, Germany)
- * Metabolic interactions and exchanges (Abdelazziz Heddi, France)
- Integrative processes (Margaret McFall-Ngai, USA)
- * Evolutionary implications (Colleen Cavanaugh, USA)
- Organelle or symbiont? (Wolfgang Löffelhardt, Austria)
- * Harming, cheating, or cooperating? (Matthias Horn, Austria)
- Viral influences on symbiosis (Luis P. Villarreal, USA)
- Genomics in symbiosis (Gopi Podila, USA)
- Enigmatic symbioses (Mary Rumpho, USA)
- * Eco-symbiology (Todd Lajeunesse, USA)
- * Applied symbiosis I: Plant and fungi-related applications (Ajit Varma, India)
- * Applied symbiosis II: Insect controls (Thomas Miller, USA)
- * Symbiosis teaching workshop (Marc-André Selosse, France)
- * Symbiosis definitions and directions panel discussion (Angela Douglas, UK)