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Call for nominations for the Verriest Memorial Medal and Lecture

The Verriest Medal is bestowed by the International Research Group on Colour Vision Deficiencies (IRGCVD) to honor long-term contributions to knowledge of color vision. The Verriest Medal was established in 1991 in memory of Dr. Guy Verriest, and is presented biannually at the IRGCVD Annual Meeting.

Previous recipients have been Harry Sperling (1991), Marion Marré (1993), and Vivianne Smith and Joel Pokorny (1995).

Candidates need not have been active in the affairs of the IRGCVD, but they must be either current or former members of the IRGCVD. The past and present membership of the IRGCVD boasts a number of individuals deserving of such recognition, but choosing a candidate requires participation of the membership.

Nominations for the 1997 Verriest Medal are now being solicited, through April 1, 1997. Submitted materials should include a letter of nomination and if possible the candidate's curriculum vitae. Please take the time to consider and to nominate a worthy candidate for this honor.

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Announcement of XIVth International Symposium, July 5th to 9th, 1997 in Ghent, Belgium

XIVth Symposium of the International Research Group on Colour Vision Deficiences Provinciaal Administratief Centrum "Het Zuid" 5 to 9 July 1997

Ghent, December 31, 1996

Dear Colleague,

Twenty-five years ago the IRGCVD was founded in Ghent by the late Dr. Guy Verriest. To commemorate this anniversary it was decided in Pau to hold the 1997 IRGCVD meeting in Ghent. It will take place at the Provincial Administrative Center "Het Zuid" in Ghent, situated within walking distance from the major hotels.

Ghent is one of the most flamboyant historical cities of the Low Countries. Already in the early 12th century it was a center of the wool trade between England and the Continent. Although it was one of the main cities of the country of Flanders and thus ruled by the Count of Flanders, later by the Duke of Burgundy, its citizens acquired a, for that period, unusual freedom. Its relationship with its rulers was not an easy one and it rightly deserved its title of "Rebel City". Charles the Fifth, emperor of Austria, king of Spain, ruler of the Low Countries, was born in Ghent in 1500 and developed a love-hate relationship with the city. During the centuries the city became a lively cultural center and we hope to present some part of its historical and cultural heritage at the symposium.

Ghent is situated in the heart of Europe and is easily accessible by car or train. From Brussels airport it takes about one hour by train to reach Ghent.

As is usual for IRGCVD meetings, the registration fee will cover all charges to participants, the scientific programme, the working lunches on Sunday and Tuesday, the coffee and tea breaks and the social programme.

The social programme will be, I hope, of interest to you. It includes:

- a welcome reception on Saturday night
- a concert in a place of historical interest on Sunday night
- a boat trip, with lunch on board, which will finish with a dinner in a restaurant along the romantic river Leie on Monday
- a banquet in the impressive Pand, an ancient Dominican abbey and nowadays Faculty Club of the University of Ghent on Tuesday night.

The additional programme for accompanying persons includes a day visit to Bruges on Sunday and a guided tour of Ghent's historical center.

The official language for the meeting will be English. You are kindly invited to submit abstracts for posters or oral presentation to Professor J. Moreland.

Looking forward to seeing you in Ghent.

On behalf of the Ghent Organizing Committee, Prof. J.J. DE LAEY

Symposium Programme, Registration Information and Abstract Form

To register for the symposium send Form 1 to Professor J.J. De Laey.

To submit a paper or a poster, send Form 2 to Professor Moreland with a copy to Professor De Laey.

To book hotel accommodation, send Form 3 to the Ghent Office of Tourism

Please take the following dates into account:

April 11, 1997 : deadline for submission of an abstract

June 2, 1997 : deadline for early registration

July 5-9, 1997: IRGCVD meeting in Ghent.

<u>PLEASE NOTE</u>: To be eligible to attend the Ghent Symposium and/or present a paper, you must be a member of the IRGCVD. Membership forms and information are provided at the end of the newsletter. A form for ordering previous Proceeding volumes (1991, 1993 and 1995), at a greatly reduced price, is also provided.

Preliminary Programme

Saturday, July 5, 1997:

a.m. Registration

Directorial Committee Meeting

p.m. Scientific sessions

Welcome reception

Sunday, July 6, 1997:

a.m. Scientific session

p.m. Scientific sessions

Concert in the Bijloke

Monday, July 7, 1997:

a.m. Scientific session

p.m. Boat trip on the Leie

Tuesday, July 8, 1997 :

a.m. Scientific session

p.m.

Scientific sessions

Congress dinner

Wednesday, July 9, 1997:

a.m. Scientific session

The special topics of the symposium are:

- Development of Colour Vision (including infant/child vision) (invited speaker: D. Teller)
- Functional MRI (invited specker: G. Orban)
- Pigments and Photopigments (invited speaker: A. Stockman)
- Traffic Regulation Standards

A workshop is being organised by B. Lee and J.D. Mollon on Colour Vision in New World Primates, with invited speakers: D. Hunt, G.H. Jacobs and L. Silveira.

Additional Partners Programme

Sunday, July 6, 1997: Day trip to Bruges, including lunch

Tuesday, July 8, 1997: a.m.: Tour of Ghent.

REGISTRATION FORM 1

To be returned to Professor J.J. De Laey, Department of Ophthalmology, University Hospital, De Pintelaan 185, B-9000 Ghent, Belgium.

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Make the transfer through your bank to IRGCVD, Ghent 97, Generale Bank, Gent, account 1. Bank transfer in Belgian francs number 290-0209873-83 and enclose a copy of the bank transfer with your registration form.

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Written notification must be received by the secretariate no later than June 2, 1997. Refunds will be made as follows:

- Before June 1, 1997: less 20 % for administration

- After June 1, 1997 : no refund.

Enquiries concerning the scientific programme should be addressed to Professor Moreland. Enquiries on other matters should be addressed to Professor De Laey.

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Deadline: April 11, 1997 FORM 2 : ABSTRACT FORM To be returned to Prof. J.D. Moreland, Department of Communication and Neuroscience, IRGCVD Ghent 97 Keele University, Staffordshire ST5 5BG, United Kingdom with copy to Prof. De Laey. First name: Presenting author: Last name: Institution: Department: Postal code: Street address: Fax:..... City: oral presentation only or withdraw
oral presentation preferred Phone: Presentation preference: (check only one) poster only
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Submission of abstracts:

The abstract form, unfolded, ready for photographic reproduction in the abstract book must be sent by mail (not by fax) to Professor Moreland.

The deadline for submission of abstract is April 11, 1997.

The principal author must be a member of IRGCVD. No more than two verbal contributions will be accepted. Poster presentations are not limited. Posters will be allocated session time in the programme.

All abstracts will be reviewed. Those accepted will be published in the Symposium Abstract Book. Guidelines for preparation of abstracts:

The abstract will be reproduced directly. The typing area is 125 mm by 170 mm. The abstract including title, authors and affiliation must fit in the box provided and should not exceed 30 lines. The text should be typed in Times Roman (14 point) on a laser printer or other system to produce a sharp image. Arrange the text as follows:

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