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WFSBP Congress 2013

11th World Congress of Biological Psychiatry

23 – 27 June 2013 · Kyoto, Japan
Kyoto International Conference Center

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Dear Colleagues,

It is our privilege and pleasure to invite you to the 11th World Congress of Biological Psychiatry. The World Federation of Societies of Biological Psychiatry (WFSBP) has chosen Kyoto for our next World Congress in 2013 in the field of biological psychiatry and psychopharmacology. After the big success of the Prague meeting in 2011, Kyoto is the ideal setting to discuss the current advances in biology and molecular genetics, the development of new drugs based upon new molecular concepts, and the advances in modern technologies and neuroscience that will change our concepts and attitudes towards our patients. During this outstanding scientific event, opinion leaders from all around the world will share with us the newest innovations in the field and their impact on diagnoses, treatment and quality of life of our patients.

High scientific level sessions will be organized: intensive Workshops and Debates, Plenary Lectures with well known experts in the field and Symposia. Young scientists are especially encouraged to present their recent findings through Free Communications, Posters and Young Scientists Award Sessions, which will be dedicated to them. The general aim of the scientific programme will be the biological and molecular basis of mental diseases which will contribute to improve our patients’ everyday life.

The Japanese Society of Biological Psychiatry (JSBP) is honored to host the 11th World Congress of Biological Psychiatry in Kyoto, the city of culture and tradition. JSBP, founded in 1978, is now fully prepared to organise a congress of high quality with high scientific caliber, comfortable atmosphere, and rich hospitality. About 1,600 members of JSBP have already started the preparation for the 11th World Congress making use of the international and domestic network of the colleagues in this field. Since the 11th World Congress will be the first one in Asia, it will be the fruitful outcome of the integrated collaboration of biological psychiatry societies in Japan, Korea, Taiwan, Hong Kong and Mainland China, in which Western technology and Eastern wisdom will be merged and developed for a new innovation in biological psychiatry.

Kyoto, the former imperial capital of Japan, is the most attractive location for the 11th World Congress of Biological Psychiatry.

We look forward to welcoming you in Kyoto from 23 June to 27 June 2013.

Best wishes

Prof. Florence Thibaut
Congress President
WFSBP President

Prof. Norbert Müller
Chair
International Scientific Programme Committee

Prof. Masatoshi Takeda
Chair
Local Organising Committee
About the WFSBP Congress 2013

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**Preliminary Scientific Programme Schedule**

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Deadline for abstract submission: 18 June 2012

Applicants of symposia are hereby kindly invited to submit an abstract for contributions to the WSFBP 2013 Kyoto Congress by using the online submission form on the congress website www.wfsbp-congress.org.

Please note that online submission is mandatory. Each symposium at the WSFBP 2013 Kyoto Congress is scheduled for 90 minutes which equals four speakers chaired by two scientists.

Chairs are kindly asked to submit proposals for scientific symposia according to the topic list on page 6. All online submitted proposals will be considered by the International Scientific Programme Committee. The notification about the acceptance or rejection of a symposia will be sent by email in autumn 2012. Speakers of accepted symposia will then be asked to submit an individual abstract for their presentations. All authors and presenters will be expected to declare any potential conflict of interest.

The congress registration fee has been waived for all chairs and speakers of accepted symposia. Co-chairs will only receive free registration if they are also speaking in the respective symposium. Please note that the congress does not provide any further financial support. Travel costs and accommodation should be self-financed.

GUIDELINES FOR THE PREPARATION OF SYMPOSIA ABSTRACTS

The symposium’s chair is kindly asked to submit a descriptive abstract in English including the names of the chair, co-chair and four speakers. As a chair, please make sure that you have received the acceptance of all speakers involved in the symposium.

Please note that the abstract submission constitutes a formal commitment by the authors to present the corresponding presentation in the session and timeslots assigned by the International Scientific Programme Committee.

In accordance with the international approach of the WSFBP, the speakers should have diverse geographical backgrounds.

In your abstract, please insert the chair’s name (full first name, family name) and place of work (institution, city, country) as well as degrees, titles and street addresses. In addition please add name, country and place of work of the members of the faculty.

» Please choose a topic from the topic list, page 6.

» The text of the abstract should briefly state the content of the symposium with a maximum of 300 words.

» Please choose a title that clearly indicates the content of the contribution.

» Please avoid abbreviations in the title. Abbreviations may be used in the text if they are defined when used first.

» Please note that the abstract submission must be complete.

SUBMISSION PROCEDURE

Deadline for abstract submission: 18 June 2012

Notification of acceptance/rejection: Autumn 2012

Abstracts for symposia have to be submitted electronically by using the online form on the congress website www.wfsbp-congress.org.

Detailed instructions regarding the electronic submission procedure can be found on the website.

For any further assistance, please contact the congress and exhibition office:

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The scientific programme of the WFSBP 2013 Congress will cover the following topics, within each topic the track may be Basic, Clinical, Interface or Conceptual:

1. Addictive Disorders
2. Antidepressants: Basic/Clinical
3. Antipsychotics: Basic/Clinical
4. Anxiety Disorders: Basic/Clinical
5. Anxiolytics: Basic/Clinical
6. Bipolar Disorders: Basic/Clinical
7. Childhood & Adolescent Disorders: Basic/Clinical
8. Cognitive Neuroscience
9. Dementia: Basic/Clinical
10. Depression: Basic/Clinical
11. Eating Disorders: Basic/Clinical
12. Emergency Psychiatry
13. Epidemiology
14. Ethics and Psychiatry
15. Forensic Psychiatry
16. Genetics
17. Hypnotics: Basic/Clinical
18. Liaison Psychiatry
19. Mental Retardation or Chromosomal Aberrations: Basic/Clinical
20. Molecular Neurobiology
21. Mood Stabilisers: Basic/Clinical
22. Neuropathology
23. Neuroimaging: Genetic, Functional, Structural
24. Neurophysiology
25. Obsessive-Compulsive Disorders: Basic/Clinical
26. Oncopsychiatry
27. Pain: Basic/Clinical
28. Panic Disorders: Basic/Clinical
29. Personality Disorders: Basic/Clinical
30. Pharmacoeconomics
31. Pharmacogenetics
32. Pharmacology
33. Posttraumatic Stress: Basic/Clinical
34. Pregnancy, post partum and new born: Basic/Clinical
35. Premenstrual Syndrome: Basic/Clinical
36. Psychogeriatrics
37. Psychoneuroimmunology
38. Psychopathology
39. Psychosurgery
40. Schizophrenia: Basic/Clinical
41. Sexual Disorders: Basic/Clinical
42. Sleep Disorders: Basic/Clinical
43. Somatoform Disorders: Basic/Clinical
44. Stimulation Methods (ECT, TMS, VNS, DBS)
45. Stress: Basic/Clinical
46. Suicide: Basic/Clinical
47. Violence: Basic/Clinical
Provisional Format Descriptions of the Scientific Sessions

OPENING LECTURE
The Opening Lecture will be held during the Opening Ceremony on 23 June 2013.

PLENARY LECTURES
Plenary Lectures are 45-minute sessions held by renowned experts. The speakers have been chosen from among the most prominent researchers in the respective field.

SYMPOSIAS
Symposia will be selected, covering basic, clinical, interface and conceptual topics of Biological Psychiatry. Symposia will be organised and chaired by the experts whose proposals will be accepted by the International Scientific Programme Committee.

DEBATES
Debates are intended to offer a platform for a lively, yet balanced discussion on controversial issues. A moderator (chairperson) and two speakers (one proponent and one opponent) will state their opinions on different subjects.

WFSBP TREATMENT GUIDELINES
Treatment Guidelines Sessions are 90-minute sessions with an educational focus. They centre on the WFSBP Treatment Guidelines and include brief presentations by individual panel members, followed by lively and informative discussion. This session type provides for substantial audience participation and should be highly interactive.

FREE COMMUNICATIONS
Authors will be invited to submit abstracts on their latest research findings. All submitted abstracts will be reviewed and the best will be selected and allocated to Free Communication Sessions.

YOUNG SCIENTISTS AWARD SESSIONS
These sessions are dedicated to the research findings of talented scientists up to 40 years of age. These 90-minute sessions take place daily from 08:00 – 09:30 h. They comprise five 10-minute presentations, each followed by 5 minutes of discussion at the end of the presentation.

GUIDED POSTER TOURS
A whole range of highly interesting papers on new research findings and/or major research efforts are expected to be submitted as posters. As many posters will probably be submitted by young investigators, the Local Organising Committee will arrange Guided Poster Tours to give the authors the opportunity to present these findings and discuss them with the audience.

INDUSTRY SPONSORED SYMPOSIAS
These 60- to 90-minute sessions are fully integrated into the congress. The sessions are organised and executed by the pharmaceutical industry by an unrestricted educational grant.

CME ACCREDITATION
The WFSBP 2013 Congress is seeking for accreditation by the European Council for Continuing Medical Education (EACCME) to provide continuing medical education (CME) credits to physicians. The EACCME is an institution of the European Union of Medical Specialists (UEMS). EACCME credits are recognised Europe-wide and in North America. EACCME credits can be exchanged for their national equivalent by contacting the respective National CME authority. EACCME credits are recognised by the American Medical Association (AMA) towards the Physician’s Recognition Award (PRA). The WFSBP 2013 Congress will also apply for CME accreditation at the Japanese Psychiatry Board.
CONGRESS INFORMATION SYSTEM/
CO CONGRESS ONLINE®
The web based Congress Information System CO CONGRESS ONLINE® has been installed at
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Prior to the congress, CO CONGRESS ONLINE® will provide information on:

» Preparation of the congress
» List of topics
» Call for abstracts
» Invited speakers and invited conveners of symposia
» Preliminary scientific programme
» Accepted abstracts
» Satellite conferences
» List of participants (who is who)
» List of exhibitors
» Social and cultural events
» Supporting programme
» Scientific visits
» Information about the main sponsors
» Kyoto
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In due time, the final programme will be published on CO CONGRESS ONLINE® which enables each participant to create her/his personal congress programme schedule. CO CONGRESS ONLINE® offers an extensive congress service.

AIRPORT
The Kansai International Airport (KIX) is the closest international airport to Kyoto and located slightly over an hour away from Kyoto. It is the most used international airport in Japan after Tokyo. About 60 airlines from over 65 different cities throughout the world serve KIX with almost 780 departures per week. The legendary transport network in Japan makes it easy to reach Kyoto and the Conference Center.

TRANSPORT BETWEEN AIRPORT AND CITY/CITY
AND KYOTO INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE CENTER
The Airport Shuttle Train “Haruka” takes about 75 minutes from Kansai International Airport to Kyoto Station. The Kyoto City Subway system is easy to navigate, and is convenient for commuting from the station to the Kyoto International Conference Center.

CLIMATE
Japan has a temperate northern hemisphere climate and weather patterns are regular year to year. April to June is the warm spring season, full of excitement of celebrating renewal in the surrounding nature. Green oases in temple areas offer respite from the summer heat from July to September. In June/July the average temperature is 25°C. Rain is quite frequent in the beginning of June.

CURRENCY
The Japanese currency is the yen. The Japanese yen is freely convertible on world currency markets, the exchange rate fluctuates daily depending on the money market.

CONGRESS REGISTRATION
Please see the congress website for online registration: www.wfsbp-congress.org

HOTEL ACCOMMODATION
Hotel accommodation in various categories will be offered on the congress website: www.wfsbp-congress.org
VISA
The entry formalities for Japan vary according to the country of origin. All non-Japanese passport holders are required to give fingerprints (electronically recorded) and be photographed at passport control. The Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Japan advises on its website a list of countries that do not require a visa to enter the country.

LETTER OF INVITATION
The congress will be pleased to send a formal letter of invitation to any registered delegate requesting one. It is understood that such an invitation is intended to help potential delegates to raise funds or to obtain a visa. This does not imply a commitment from the congress to provide any financial support. Letters of invitation may be requested from the congress office.

SUPPORTING PROGRAMME
Congress tours will be offered on the congress website:
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CITY OF KYOTO
Kyoto is special because it reigned as national capital for more than 1000 years. This is not only the longest that any city has ruled Japan but also it was the centre of activity throughout the formative years when the Japanese culture was born, developed and refined. In Kyoto visitors can delve into Japanese history as well as experience the way of living that keeps Kyoto at the forefront of developing emerging technologies. Japanese history and heritage lives on in the 1.5 million population modern Kyoto: Seventeen UNESCO World Cultural Heritage Sites are situated in a cityscape dominated by 2000 temples and shrines. The city offers endless opportunities to gain meaningful hands-on experience of rich Kyoto culture through Tea Ceremony, sake brewing, kimono wearing, swordsmanship, and more. Japan is renowned for its safety and the compactness of Kyoto makes for wonderful strolling during free time.
Dates to remember

18 June 2012  Deadline for symposia submission

Autumn 2012  Abstract submission for posters and free communications

23 June 2013  Opening Ceremony and Welcome Reception

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