Dear Colleagues,

We are pleased to update you with the latest news from the ENEA, especially from the Executive Committee. This Newsletter includes:

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Looking forward to seeing you soon,
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A word from the President

Dear Colleagues,

I am delighted to introduce this new edition of the ENEA Newsletter. Plans are now well under way for the next ENEA meeting in Antalya, Turkey, in 2008, and Dr. A.J. Van Der Lely has chaired a Programme Organising Committee which has put together a superb preliminary programme. The ENEA is at the same time building up stronger links with the Pituitary Society, and we hope soon to make available the journal Pituitary at very competitive rates to our members. The establishment of the European Society for Endocrinology (ESE) has represented a particular challenge to the ENEA, and one in which all specialist societies in endocrinology are seeking to establish a new form of collaboration. It has been agreed at a joint meeting of the ESE with the associated societies that we would indeed work together to promote and develop endocrinology, but in such a manner as to maintain the activity of the constituent societies and allow them to continue to thrive autonomously. This is an excellent outcome, and I look forward to an expanding ENEA membership attending ever-larger meetings, in close collaboration with the Pituitary society, and complementary to the ESE.

I look forward to seeing you all in Turkey next year!

Warmest Regards,
Ashley Grossman
President, ENEA
From the Secretariat

The Secretary asks members who have changed their address or e-mail address to inform the secretariat (secretary.ena@erasmusmc.nl) about this change. Contact information update forms can be downloaded from the ENEA website (www.eneassoc.org). ENEA members can also have access to the updated ENEA membership list which is on the website. The password for members is available from the Secretariat.

From the Treasurer

The treasurer wishes to remind the members to pay their membership fees for 2007 as soon as possible.

Paying members of the ENEA will obtain a discount of 50 EURO on their registration fees for the ENEA Congress 2008 in Antalya.

The treasurer is also very pleased to give an important news concerning the journals. After discussion with Blackwell, the publisher of Clinical Endocrinology and of the Journal of Neuroendocrinology, the treasurer has obtained for the ENEA paying members, a substantial reduction for the personal subscription rate of both journals. The prices for 2008 will be decided this autumn and will be communicated later this year to the ENEA members. The members wishing to obtain the journals will be invited to subscribe directly via Blackwell. The discount price will be given only to the ENEA paying members according to the list provided by the treasurer to Blackwell. Thus in 2008, ENEA members will receive a discount on 3 journals: the electronic on-line version of Neuroendocrinology (Karger) as it is the case already now, as well as Clinical Endocrinology and the Journal of Neuroendocrinology (Blackwell).

ENEA Website (www.eneassoc.org)

The ENEA website can be found at www.eneassoc.org and is updated on a regular basis. It contains information pertaining to the goals of the society and the current executive committee, as well as downloadable membership application forms. Members can also use the site to update contact details and pay annual dues. A list of members with contact information can be accessed in the membership section, using a password provided by the ENEA secretary. Links to websites of upcoming endocrine meetings, including, of course, the Antalya ENEA2008 meeting website can be found in the meetings section. Details of previous ENEA meetings, including abstracts can also be found in the same section. Suggestions for improvement of the website are welcomed. Please mail to: greenman@toc.uc.health.gov.il.

13th Meeting of the European Neuroendocrine Association, Antalya, October 17-20, 2008

On behalf of the Programme Organising Committee, it is my pleasure to invite you to actively participate at the 13th Congress of ENEA, which will take place in Antalya, Turkey on Oct 16 - 20, 2008. The ENEA is organising every two years its scientific meeting that joins together basic scientists, clinical researchers and clinicians to discuss and address the many aspects of neuro-endocrinology. After the very successful meeting in Athens in 2006, the Antalya 2008 ENEA meeting will once again aim to build bridges between the lab and the clinic and to bring science from the bench to the patient. Therefore, we have inserted Meet the Experts Meetings and Symposia with diverse topics that will accommodate both ends of this vertical neuro-endocrine spectrum of research. For sure, the Hot Topic sessions will be filled with news and discoveries that will emerge in the next year, while the Plenary Lectures will be highlights on their own. The preliminary program main topics are:

- Evolution of Mankind
- Neuroendocrinology, Sleep and Obesity
- Hormones and the Brain
- Somatostatin and Dopamine Receptors in Neuroendocrine Tumours
- Critical Update on Non-Medical Treatment of Pituitary Disease
- Brain Injury-Induced Hypopituitarism (TBI)
- Evolution of Mankind
- Familial Pituitary Tumours
- Appetite-Addiction
- Neuroprotection
- Brain Injury-Induced Hypopituitarism (TBI)
- Neuroendocrinology Sleep and Obesity
etc . . .

Combined with the natural and historical beauties of Antalya, ENEA 2008 will not just meet the high standards of scientific content but also be a memorable and entertaining meeting.

We hope you can join us in Antalya, 2008. We look forward to your participation in the 13th Meeting of The European Neuroendocrine Association.

Prof. Fahrettin Kelestimur
Local Organizing Committee Chairman

Invitation Letter 13th Meeting of the European Neuroendocrine Association 17-20 October 2008 - Antalya, Turkey

Dear Friends and Colleagues, On behalf of the Organizing Committee, it is a sincere pleasure to invite you to participate in the 13th Congress of European Neuroendocrine Association, in Antalya, 17-20 October, 2008. Antalya, the jewel of Mediterranean is the capital of the Turquoise Riviera of Turkey. History meets with nature, sea and sun. Located in the west of the Mediterranean region, it includes the most beautiful and clearest cost along the Mediterranean. It is a city of contrasts and endless varieties. Yet, Antalya is not only a destination for holidays, but it is also a perfect venue for meetings and congresses, offering fascinating convention opportunities. Antalya combines a setting of stunning natural beauty and archeological sites of different civilizations, with new and well run infra and super structure for tourism. The new airport of Antalya was opened in 2006, enabling visitors easy access from many European destinations. ENEA 2008 will be your chance to hear and meet the leading experts in the field and learn the latest developments in basic research and clinical advances. Programme Organizing Committee is working hard to prepare an excellent programme consisting of plenary lectures, symposia as well as meet the expert sessions. Some of the interesting topics are:

- Evolution of Mankind
- Familial Pituitary Tumours
- Appetite-Addiction
- Neuroprotection
- Brain Injury-Induced Hypopituitarism (TBI)
- Neuroendocrinology Sleep and Obesity
- etc . . .

We hope you can join us in Antalya, 2008. We look forward to your participation in the 13th Meeting of The European Neuroendocrine Association.
In 21-24 October 2006 the 12th ENEA meeting was hosted at the International Conference Center, Megaron, in Athens. A total of 1,006 participants from 49 different countries were gathered for the occasion. Delegates from all European countries were well represented. In addition it was a great pleasure to welcome a substantial number of endocrinologists and scientists from Argentina, Australia, Brazil, Canada, Japan, Korea, Mexico, USA etc, indicating that the ENEA meeting is becoming an international event. The scientific program of the meeting covered all the major areas of clinical and basic Neuroendocrinology with 4 plenary lectures, 14 symposia, and 8 meet-the-expert sessions. In addition, 56 oral communications and 245 posters were presented. Moreover, participants had the opportunity to attend 4 satellite symposia of an exceptionally high scientific standard. The program organizing committee awarded 4 prizes (2 basic and 2 clinical) to the best Oral and Poster presentations. Overall the Athens’ 12th ENEA meeting accomplished the task of being a well attended congress with a significant scientific impact for the European Neuroendocrinology and beyond.

The President welcomed the attendees to the GA meeting. The ENEA 2006 meeting is already highly successful embracing some 1000 participants. The President congratulated the POC and LOC of ENEA Athens 2006 and in particular acknowledged the efforts of Ezio Ghigo (chairman POC) and Stelios Tsagarakis and Nicolas Talsassinos (chairs of LOC) who did their utmost to organize this meeting so well.

There had been a suggestion to collect all European Endocrine Societies together and make them representatives of the European Society of Endocrinology. Considering the success of the previous ENEA meetings, the ENEA decided to continue organizing its two yearly meetings, and suggestions to host the 2010 meeting were welcomed. There will be a close collaboration with the Pituitary Society who organize its meetings in the alternate years.

The Treasurer reported that, financially, ENEA is a healthy organization. The Munich meeting had a positive balance and also Napoli 2004 was financially successful, thanks to Günther Stella and Namaria Colao, respectively. The Treasurer received the excess funds from both meetings. For the journals, Blackwell had increased its price considerably. The Board did not accept this increase, because then the ENEA fee (if unchanged) would be left to only cover the subscription to J. Neuroendocrinology and there would be no money left for the ENEA. The same problem occurred for Clinical Endocrinology, which raised its price by more than 40 euros. If Clinical Endocrinology or J. Neuroendocrinology were to continue to be offered, the ENEA fee would have to be increased considerably. Therefore, only Neuroendocrinology (Karger) will be offered with the ENEA membership. The Board regrets this decision, and the Treasurer is currently negotiating with Blackwell to offer a discount for subscription to Clinical Endocrinology for individual ENEA members who will then have to subscribe on an individual basis.

The Secretary reported that in the past period the work consisted in answering questions from members, companies, etc. A major task in the past year has been the updating process of the ENEA membership list. In 2004 the Treasurer reported that at that time, the 174 paying members represented only 53% of the members of the ENEA membership list. So, only half the members were paying members. At the 2004 GA meeting in Naples it had been decided to delete members who had not had paid their fee for several years. After several reminders only very few of them actually paid. The non-paying members have been informed by letter that they are considered not to be ENEA members anymore. As anticipated, this updating process resulted in a substantial reduction in the number of official members. This number dropped from 327 to 203 (reduction by 38%). From now on, members who do not pay their membership fee for two years will be informed that their ENEA membership will be cancelled. The good news is that at the second day of this Athens 2006 meeting, 14 new members have subscribed for ENEA membership.

Albert Beckers reported that the layout of the ENEA Newsletter has been improved, as the members may have noticed. The process of the new layout took some time. Therefore, only one Newsletter has been sent in 2006. For 2007 two newsletters are anticipated to be sent out to members.

Yona Greenman reported on the ENEA website. The ENEA website was a little bit old-fashioned and has been updated. The website is still not very well visited. Should we make it more attractive? Should we include more on-line procedures? Suggestions are welcomed. The costs for updating the website have been $1800 USD and the costs for maintenance are $360 USD yearly.

The results of the voting for new officers of the ENEA Executive Committee were: Albert Beckers (Belgium; 38 votes), Marcello Bronstein (Brazil; 30 votes), Namaria Colao (Italy; 44 votes), Marta Kohnits (United Kingdom; 34 votes), Philip Kumanow (Bulgaria; 29 votes). Total number of members who voted: 51. All were elected as officers for the ENEA Executive Committee. Fahrettin Kolestîmur, chairman of the LOC of the ENEA 2008 in Antalya, presented the venue of the meeting in Antalya.

Albert Beckers bid to host the ENEA 2010 meeting in Li`ege, Belgium, which was welcomed by the President. There were no other bids and the Board will decide on the venue for ENEA 2010 at its next Board meeting (Li`ege was subsequently confirmed as the host for the ENEA in 2010).

The President closed the GA.
Forthcoming ENEA meeting

13th Meeting of the European Neuroendocrine Association
17-20 October 2008, Kervansaray Hotel Lara, Convention Center, Antalya, Turkey
http://www.enea2008.org

Forthcoming meetings

10th European Congress of Endocrinology
3-7 May 2008
Berlin, Germany
http://www.ece2008.com

90th Endocrine Society’s 2008 Annual Meeting
June 15-18, 2008
San Francisco, California
http://www.endo-society.org/endo/

13th International Congress of Endocrinology
8-12 November 2008
Rio de Janeiro, Brazil
www.ice2008rio.com

14th Meeting of the European Neuroendocrine Association
The 2010 Meeting of the European Neuroendocrine Association will be held in Liège, Belgium.

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