International Society of Heterocyclic Chemistry

2000 Newsletter

Message from the President

As the President of the ISHC, I write to inform you of the developments that occurred during this past year, and look ahead to 2001. The ISHC continues to evolve, but it is the enthusiasm and commitment of members that make for a successful society. Please encourage your colleagues to join us!

The ISHC on the World Wide Web

(http://euch6f.chem.emory.edu/padwa.html)

The ISHC's World Wide Web home page has been integrated with the way the society does business. Newsletters, meeting registration forms, and other information will always be available in this way - please use this service. E-mail is a good way to contact your President as well as the 2001 Congress Chairperson. Please send us your E-mail address along with any of your ideas and suggestions on any aspect of the operation of the ISHC by logging into the www home page. Once again the ISHC is grateful to Al Padwa for maintaining our Web page; now that our new Publicity Chair (see below) is located in the same Department as Al, we hope to make even better use of Internet technology.

The 18th ICHC in Yokohama, Japan-July 29-August 3, 2001

The 18th ICHC will be held in Yokohama, Japan during July 29-August 3, 2001. TheCongress Chairman is Masakatsu Shibasaki and co-chairman is Tohru Fukuyama. Participants wishing to make a presentation on the results of their recent research on heterocyclic chemistry are invited to submit a one-page abstract to the Secretariat of the congress (see below) by mail: either hard copy (A-4 size) or floppy disk. Contributed papers will be accepted as oral or poster presentations. The deadline for submission of an abstract is **March 31**, **2001**, and the deadline for early registration is also **March 31**. Registration fees are following; Member of ISHC, Yen35,000 (Y40,000 after March 31); Non-member, Y45,000 (Y50,000 after March 31); Student member of ISHC, Y18,000 (Y20,000 after March 31); Student non-member, Y23,000 (Y25,000 after March 31). The following distinguished chemists have agreed to give Plenary Lectures.

Jonathan A. Ellman (USA)	Kaoru Fuji (Japan)
Alois Furstner (Germany)	Ronald Grigg (UK)
Yoshito Kishi (USA)	Steven V. Ley (UK)
Lanny S. Liebeskind (USA)	Shun-ichi Murahashi (Japan)
Guy Queguiner (France)	Barry M. Trost (USA)

For additional information regarding the conference and registration forms, please contact via web site at: http://www.ics-inc.co.jp/ichc, or via e-mail at: ichc2001@ics-inc.co.jp, ichcreg@ics-

inc.co.jp (Registration)

Mailing address:

Secretariat of 18th ICHC Prof. M. Shibasaki C/o International Communication Specialists, Inc. Sabo Kaikan-bekkan, 2-7-4, Hirakawa-cho, Chiyoda-ku Tokyo, 102-8646, Japan

A post-ISHC Symposium will be held in Sendai on August 4, 2001. The theme for this symposium is "New synthetic methodologies for heterocyclic compounds. The Registration is free and the deadline for submission of papers is also **March 31, 2001.** As I am the chairman of this post-symposium, for additional information, please contact me via E-mail at: yoshi@yamamotol.chem.tohoku.ac.jp.

The 2001 Awards

The winners of the ISHC Senior Award in Heterocyclic Chemistry and the ISHC Junior Katritzky Award for Heterocyclic Chemistry will be selected around the end of 2000. The two Awardees will receive their awards and deliver their Award Lectures at the Congress in Yokohama.

Fellows of The Society

Two fellows of the Society were elected at the board meeting in Aveiro, Portugal; Professor Henk van der Plas in The Netherlands and Professor Charles W. Rees in UK. I appreciate both of them for their outstanding contributions to the Society and to the subject of heterocyclic chemistry. They will receive a scroll at the 18th ICHC in Yokohama.

Elections

The current **Executive Committee of the ISHC** comprises (from January 1, 2000 until the end of 2001):

President: Yoshinori Yamamoto
Vice-President: Masakatsu Shibasaki
President Elect: Steve Weinreb
Hans Neunhoeffer

Treasurer: Stan Lang
Publicity Chair: Dennis Liotta
Past President: Chris Moody

The current Advisory Committee of the ISHC comprises:

Dale Boger, Margaret Brimble, Oliver Kappe, Dan Comins, Scott Denmark, and Heinrich Wamhoff.

Elections for the officers for the next term (from January 1, 2002 until the end of 2003) will be conducted in early 2001. For your reference, I cite the By-Laws of the Society for elections, Article V, Section 1. **Nominating Committee.** The nominating committee shall consist of up to

seven members. The immediate living Past-President shall serve as the chairperson of the nominating committee. The others up to six members shall be appointed by the President with majority approval of the remaining members of the combined Executive and Advisory Committees. The Executive Committee and Advisory Committee shall be invited to put forward names of possible candidates for President-elect, Secretary, Publicity Chairperson and the Advisory Committee. The nominating committee shall nominate two candidates for each of the following offices: President-elect, Secretary, and the Publicity-Chairperson. In addition, nine candidates shall be nominated for membership on the Advisory Committee. The Chairperson of the Nominating Committee shall obtain the consent of each candidate to run for office. If you have any suggestions as to qualified candidates, please forward them to me.

Article V, Section 2. **Elections**. The Nominating Committee shall submit its report to the Secretary no later than February 15 of each odd number year. The Secretary shall then prepare a ballot with the names of the candidates for each office listed alphabetically by surname with one space for each office for a write-in candidate, and distribute the ballots to the Membership-at-Large. In order to be valid ballots which will be counted, the ballots must be postmarked no later than 40 days after being mailed by the Secretary to the Membership-at-Large. The candidate for President-elect, Secretary, and the Publicity Chairperson receiving the largest number of votes shall be declared elected. In the case of the members of the Advisory Committee, the five individuals receiving the largest numbers of votes on a preferential basis shall be declared members of the Advisory Committee.

Progress in Heterocyclic Chemistry

Members of the Society receive gratis individual copies of PHC on an annual basis. This important series is now well established, and Volume 12 was published in October 2000. The Society is most grateful to the editors, Gordon Gribble and Tom Gilchrist, and their team of authors. We urge you to make certain that your chemistry library is subscribing to *Progress in Heterocyclic Chemistry* so that others in your setting can benefit from this yearly review of the heterocyclic literature.

For your information, the Editorial Advisory Board for PHC for Volume 12 is shown below. The new chairman, Professor Yamamoto, would welcome suggestions for future members of the Board or for specific research topic that can be considered for inclusion in the next volume.

Y. Yamamoto, Tohoku University, Sendai, Japan (Chairman)

C. J. Moody, University of Exeter, UK

K. Fuji, Kyoto University, Japan

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R. R. Schmidt, University of Konstanz, Germany

A. Dondoni, University of Ferrara, Italy

G. R. Newkome, University of South Florida, USA

D. P. Curran, University of Pittsburg, USA

Finance

At the 1999 Congress it was reported by the Treasurer that the Society is in good financial shape;

hence your Executive Committee was able once again to hold the annual dues at the same level as the previous year (see below). However it is not the purpose of the Society to hold large reserves of funds, and therefore we would be interested to hear of imaginative ideas for how we might best make use of some funds to promote the cause of heterocyclic chemistry.

Membership

Stan Lang, the Society's treasurer, reports that 833 persons have paid the 2000 dues. Although this represents a large number of members, a Society of our stature certainly should have even more members. I thank our publicity chairperson and regional representatives for all of their hard work this past year. These officials will continue to recruit new members worldwide in the year to come. Please take a few minutes to convince your colleagues that membership of the ISHC has important advantages, several of which are outlined below. You should note the recent decision by your Executive Committee to hold the 2000 dues at the same level as the last two years.

Benefits Associated with Membership

- 1. Participation in the Congress at significantly reduced registration fee rates.
- 2. Obtain Congress abstracts of papers at no cost even if not in attendance.
- 3. Receive lectures in Heterocyclic Chemistry (complete plenary lectures of the biannual ICHCs).
- 4. Subscribe to *Heterocycles* at 20% discount.
- 5. Receive 25% discount from Elsevier on many different books.
- 6. Free annual copy of *Progress in Heterocyclic Chemistry* (see above).

Membership Dues

Should you have an address problem, the right opportunity to rectify this is in connection with paying the 2000 dues to our treasurer, Stan Lang, who is also in charge of the membership roster. Let me also repeat some payment details.

The annual dues are US \$35.00 (active member) and US \$15.00 (certified predoctoral student member). Multiple year subscriptions are encouraged. Please forward your dues by credit card, check, or money order in US dollars made payable to The International Society of Heterocyclic Chemistry, and forward to [please note that Stan has recently changed addresses so please utilize the address listed]: *You can also contact Dr. Lang by email for direct wire transfer or credit card use or for additional information.*

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In addition, Japanese members may pay their dues in yen to Prof. Dr. Ichiya Ninomiya, Kobe Women's College of Pharmacy, 4-19-1, Motoyamakita-Machi, Higashinada-ku, Kobe 658, Japan, or by direct bank transfer to Professor Ichiya Ninomiya, Sanwa Bank Higashi-Kobe, Account No. 3,565,822.

For long-standing members of 10 years continuous membership, there is the opportunity to become a Life Member of the Society; the dues for life membership are 10-times the current annual dues. An individual must apply for this status and the application must be approved by the Executive Committee. This Honor is generally reserved for Individuals who have made key or long standing contributions to the Society.

Many hundreds of heterocyclic chemists are doing active research in Russia, but due to currency exchange/transfer problems it is not easy for them to join the Society. The Society decided that Russian members may pay their dues in Roubles, equivalent to US \$17.50 (active member) and US \$7.50 (certified predoctral student member), to Professor Eugene Babaev, Moscow State University. Since the dues mentioned above are just half of the ordinary dues of the Society, they do not receive free annual copy of Progress in Heterocyclic Chemistry, but they can receive the other benefits associated with membership (see above items 1-5). Of course, Russian chemists who pay full membership dues either in Ruble or in US \$ can receive all the benefits (see items 1-6). Payment details (in Russian) are given at the webpage http://org.chem.msu.su/~babaev/ishc/ and you can send your requests for details to babaev@org.chem.msu.su. Those who wish to pay the ordinary dues in US \$ directly to the Treasurer of the Society can send dues to Dr. Stan Lang (see above).

Finally

I wish you all a happy holiday season, and send you my very best wishes as we move into the first year of 21 century.

Yoshinori Yamamoto

President ISHC

Sendai, November 28, 2000.