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12th European Congress of Endocrinology

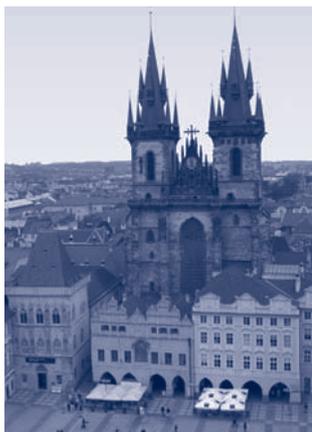


24-28 APRIL 2010, PRAGUE, CZECH REPUBLIC

▶ The 12th European Congress of Endocrinology will take place in Prague, capital of the Czech Republic. Prague's history is over a thousand years old and full of culture clashes, armies, and philosophical ideas to which worldwide travellers pay homage. The city is also known as Golden Prague and Prague of the Hundred Towers. Numerous monuments have been well preserved throughout the centuries and the Second World War. The relics of history in Prague can be easily reached by municipal transport from the Congress venue with the historical city centre 10 minutes travel by the underground.

The Programme Organising Committee has prepared an exciting programme which is interesting for both basic and clinical scientists, covering "state-of-the-art" developments in standard care as well as addressing major scientific advances that have occurred in all fields of endocrinology. These will be covered in parallel clinical, basic and translational Symposia. Plenary Lectures will provide new insights into the important role of clinical and basic endocrinology in physiology and in medicine. The topics that will be covered will provide us with the opportunity to weave our knowledge into main stream medicine. These include:

- ▶ Twenty years' experience with post-Chernobyl thyroid cancer
- ▶ Testicular development and endocrine disruptors
- ▶ Hypothalamic regulation of gonadotrophin secretion
- ▶ Thyronamines: Beyond T4 and T3
- ▶ Discovery and relevance of the incretin system
- ▶ Sex and SOX
- ▶ New trends in diagnosis and localisation of (neuro) endocrine tumours
- ▶ An update on the genetics of obesity.



In addition to the Plenary Lectures and Symposia the Congress will also offer Meet-the-Expert sessions, Pros and Cons, Debates and Hot Topics. The full scientific programme for the meeting can be found on the website (www.ece2010.com). In the Oral Communications and Poster Sessions the most recent scientific work will be presented. It is important to stress that this congress is the platform to cover the best scientific work performed in Europe in the field of endocrinology.

Special effort has been taken this year to improve visibility of the scientific work presented in the Poster Sessions that have been placed at lunchtime; this will allow wider participation in the poster session and discussion of the work presented, and it will also facilitate the attendance of the Meet-the-Expert sessions and allow wider attendance in the sponsored Satellite Symposia.

In ECE 2010 we are pleased to continue the Young Investigators Symposium organised by young European physicians and scientists who think that the best way to mentor young investigators is through open and free collaboration. ESE encourages the basic research and clinical advances of our young investigators and a scientific jury will acclaim the best basic and clinical research in Highlight Sessions. The ESE poster prizes will also be awarded based on the highest marked abstracts.

ESE has the potential to become an enormous force in European science and medicine and key to this is the extension of its membership throughout Europe. We are glad to announce that our ESE President, Professor Eberhard Nieschlag, will give a presidential address during the Congress. He will also meet with the Presidents of the ESE Affiliated Societies and welcome new ESE members at an informal reception.

For further information regarding the Congress please visit the website at www.ece2010.com.

MARIA ALEVIZAKI (CHAIR, PROGRAMME ORGANISING COMMITTEE)
AND JOSEF MAREK (CHAIR, LOCAL ORGANISING COMMITTEE)

EDITORIAL

▶ I would like to start by wishing you all a happy and peaceful 2010. The start of 2010 brings with it the chance to play an important role in the decision-making process of the European Society of Endocrinology. As a member of the ESE you are entitled to nominate and vote for candidates of the Executive Committee. In 2010, there are two Executive Committee vacancies.

Recently, the call for nominations for the two Executive Committee vacancies and Honorary Auditors has been sent to all members. I invite you to submit your nominations for these posts by the closing date of Friday 22 January 2010. The selection process has been recently modified and the Nominations Sub-committee will provide a list of candidates for election based on the scientific expertise, geographical distribution and gender requirements of the Executive Committee.

The election, which will take place by electronic voting, will open in March 2010. Details of all the candidates will be available on the ESE website and all voting members will be sent voting instructions when the vote opens. If you have any questions regarding the nomination procedure then please contact the ESE Secretariat.

The ESE continues to strive to fulfil its key objective to promote for the public benefit research, education and clinical practice in endocrinology. The European Congress of Endocrinology is one of its key activities, and our aim is for ECE to become the premier annual international endocrine conference. The 12th European Congress of Endocrinology is fast approaching, with ECE 2010 taking place in Prague, Czech Republic, from 24-28 April 2010. The dedication and commitment of our Programme Organising Committee has led to an exciting scientific and social programme – register before 12 March 2010 for the early-bird rate. If you are a fully paid up ESE member you will be able to save up to €250 on your registration fee!

The 9th ESE Postgraduate Course in Clinical Endocrinology will be held 27-29 May 2010 in Tartu, Estonia and the Education Sub-committee is in the process of planning the 2nd ESE Basic Postgraduate course.

In addition, our educational programme, supported by our Education Sub-Committee, now includes an expanded range of training activities. The 1st ESE Clinical Update course will be held 22-24 October in Porto, Portugal and will provide essential training for all trainees and specialist endocrinologists. The event is designed not only to give a thorough update on current clinical practice but also to encourage networking between trainees and established endocrinologists, with the majority of the faculty members attending throughout the course. Sessions will comprise didactic lectures for all delegates and a number of parallel, themed, interactive workshops.

Please demonstrate your support of our activities by attending these events if possible; we can promise

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an unsurpassed educational content and a great opportunity to interact with your colleagues.

Through the ESE we need to create an international driving force for endocrinology. In order to achieve this we would like to invite all European endocrinologists, who are not yet benefitting from membership of the society, to join ESE. We have kept the membership fee as low as possible to make membership accessible to all. There are numerous benefits – please see euro-endo.org for details.

EBO NIESCHLAG, ESE PRESIDENT

Lets meet!

Opening Ceremony & Welcome Reception

SATURDAY 24 APRIL 2010, 17:30–22:00

Following the Opening Ceremony the attendees are invited to the Welcome Reception.

President's Address

SUNDAY 25 APRIL 2010, 11:00–11:15

All congress delegates are invited to the ESE President's speech.

ESE New Members Welcome Reception

MONDAY 26 APRIL 2010, 13:00–14:00

The ESE President and Executive Committee will welcome all new ESE members. Invitations will be issued before the congress with further details.

ECE Informal Social

MONDAY 26 APRIL 2010, STARTING AT 20:30

Delegates are invited to attend an informal social evening for dinner and light entertainment at the Klasterni Grand Monastery Restaurant in Prague. For full details of the evening and to book tickets, please visit the website www.ece2010.com.

EXCURSIONS & TOURS

PRAGUE INFORMATIVE TOUR

Saturday 24 April 2010 - €30 per person

ART NOUVEAU PRAGUE

Saturday 24 April 2010 - €48 per person

HLUBOKA CHATEAU AND CESKY KRUMLOV

Sunday 25 April 2010 - €108 per person

OLD TOWN AND JEWISH GHETTO

Sunday 25 April 2010 - €60 per person

PRAGUE CASTLE IN DETAIL

Sunday 25 April 2010 - €45 per person

PRAGUE BY NIGHT AND JAZZ CLUB

Sunday 25 April 2010 - €68 per person

KARLOVY VARY SPA

Monday 26 April 2010 - €88 per person

INFORMATIVE OLD TOWN TOUR

Monday 26 April 2010 - €28 per person

PRAGUE BY BOAT WITH LUNCH

Monday 26 April 2010 - €62 per person

KARLSTEJN CASTLE

Tuesday 27 April 2010 - €50 per person

KUTNA HORA – UNESCO

Tuesday 27 April 2010 - €78 per person

PRAGUE'S BAROCCO

Tuesday 27 April 2010 - €45 per person

KONOPISTE CHATEAU

Wednesday 28 April 2010 - €48 per person

KRIVOKLAT CASTLE & NIZBOR GLASSWORKS

Wednesday 28 April 2010 - €82 per person

Further information on all of the excursions and tours can be found at <http://www.ece2010.com/tours.aspx>.



The Venue

Congress Venue:

Prague Congress Centre
5. kvetna 65
140 21 Prague 4
Czech Republic
<http://www.kcp.cz/an>

The Prague Congress Centre is one of the largest and best equipped European centres. The Centre has 20 halls and 50 meeting rooms at its disposal, with capacities from 12 to 2764 persons. The Congress Centre enjoys a unique location on one of Prague's hills, and is one of the dominant features of the Czech Republic's capital. From here you can view the wonderful panorama of Prague over the river Vltava and the surrounding widespread parks, reflecting the silhouette of Prague Castle and its many steeples and

the towers of churches, cathedrals, palaces, and the ancient buildings of the nearby historic centre.

Where to stay

Accommodation for ECE 2010 delegates has been reserved at a number of hotels in Prague. There are accommodation options to meet every budget and in close proximity to the Prague Congress Centre. Please note that reservations will be processed on a "first come, first-served" basis. Due to heavy demand and to the fact that distribution of rooms in many hotels is limited, it is recommended that you book your accommodation as soon as possible. For a full list of accommodation options, availability and booking information, please visit the website www.ece2010.com.

How to get there

AIR TRAVEL

Prague International Ruzyně Airport is located 18 km from the city centre. The modern airport offers a range of services including travel agencies and car rental offices. Further facilities on location include a bank, an exchange office, a post office, variety of shops, restaurants and luggage storage area.

COACH LINKS

The Czech Republic has an extensive coach network which caters to almost all destinations. All transport companies operating in the area are private companies. Most of the Prague-bound international links terminate at Florence Station, which is six km from the Prague Congress Centre.

TAXI SERVICE

Like in other European cities, visitors in Prague can use taxis which are available 24 hours a day. We recommend using taxi companies which are operated via call centres.

RAILWAY LINKS

The main train station in Prague is 5 km from Prague Congress Centre.

PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION

Prague has a very sophisticated subway, tram and bus transportation system. The Prague underground is fairly new and runs efficiently. In the peak hours trains run every 1–2 minutes, and during off-peak hours trains run at least every 10 minutes. You can find more information about Prague public transport at <http://www.dpp.cz>.

IMPORTANT CONTACTS

CONGRESS WEBSITE

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Registration

The deadline for the early bird registration rate is 12 March 2010.

On-line registration is available at www.ece2010.com.

There is a reduced rate available to ESE members, saving €250 on the registration fee. To be eligible for the ESE members' rate you must ensure that your membership renewal payment for 2010 has been paid.

Registration rates

	Early Registration before 12 March 2010	Advanced Registration 13 March - 9 April 2010	On-site Registration after 9 April 2010*
ESE member delegate	€500	€600	€650
Non-member delegate	€750	€850	€900
Fellow/Student	€250	€350	€400
Accompanying Person	€100	€125	€150
Economic package	€550	-	-

*Applications received after 9 April will not be processed. Register on site after 9 April 2010.

Please note: On-site registration is available, but a place cannot be guaranteed. It is strongly recommended that you register in advance for the meeting. Payment will be required at the time of registration.

The registration fee includes:

- ▶ Access to all congress sessions and commercial exhibition
- ▶ Delegate bag including all congress materials and a name badge
- ▶ Endocrine Abstracts (either on CD or in print)
- ▶ Entrance to the Opening Ceremony and Welcome Reception
- ▶ All refreshment breaks during the congress
- ▶ Registration does not include accommodation, tickets to the social events (unless stated) or optional excursions

The registration fee for an accompanying person includes:

- ▶ Entrance to the Opening Ceremony and Welcome Reception
- ▶ Access to the commercial exhibition
- ▶ All refreshment breaks during the congress.

Travel Grants

The *Journal of Endocrinology* offers Travel Grants of €300 each to ten young scientists attending the European Congress of Endocrinology. Applicants must be a current member of ESE, under 35 years of age and be resident in a country that is not classified by the World Bank as a high-income country. The travel grants are available for attendance at the annual congress if the applicant has submitted an abstract. Full details of the eligibility criteria can be found at <http://www.ece2010.com/awards.aspx>.

Group registration

Special registration procedures apply for group registrations. Please use the group registration link available at <http://www.ece2010.com/registration.aspx>.

Economic package

(For a limited number of participants and not available on-site.)

Deadline for application: 12 March 2010)

The Economic package is available to delegates who fulfill both of the following criteria:

- (1) Their country of residence has a GDP - per capita of below \$15 000 as defined by the CIA World Factbook. (For further details please visit <https://www.cia.gov/library/publications/the-world-factbook/index.html>)

and

- (2) They are non-clinically qualified research students or postdoctoral fellows, nurses who have no access to funding, or retired.

The package includes:

- ▶ Access to all congress sessions and commercial exhibition
- ▶ Delegate bag including all congress materials and a name badge
- ▶ Endocrine Abstracts (either on CD or in print)
- ▶ Entrance to the Opening Ceremony and Welcome Reception
- ▶ All refreshment breaks during the congress
- ▶ Bed & Breakfast accommodation for 4 nights in a 3* hotel

Further details and the registration form are available to download at www.ece2010.com/registration.aspx

CME Credits

ECE 2010 will be credited with CME points from UEMS.

MUST SEE AT ECE

Saturday 24 April 2010

17:30–19:30 OPENING CEREMONY

Geoffrey Harris Prize Lecture SUPPORTED BY IPSEN
European Journal of Endocrinology Prize Lecture

Sunday 25 April 2010

10:15–11:00 PLENARY LECTURE 1

Twenty years' experience with post-Chernobyl thyroid cancer
D Williams (UK)

17:15–18:00 PLENARY LECTURE 2

Testicular development and Endocrine Disruptors
N Skakkebaek (Denmark)

Monday 26 April 2010

10:15–11:00 PLENARY LECTURE 3

Hypothalamic regulation of Gonadotrophin secretion
R Millar (UK)

17:15–18:00 PLENARY LECTURE 4

Thyronamines: Beyond T4 and T3
T Scanlon (USA)

Tuesday 27 April 2010

10:15–11:00 PLENARY LECTURE 5

Discovery and Relevance of Incretin System
D Drucker (Canada)

17:30–18:15 PLENARY LECTURE 6

Sex and SOX
R Lovell-Badge (UK)

Wednesday 28 April 2010

09:30–10:15 PLENARY LECTURE 7

New trends in diagnosis and localisation of (neuro) Endocrine Tumours
K Pacak (Czech Republic)

12:30–13:15 PLENARY LECTURE 8

An update on the genetics of obesity
S O'Rahilly (UK)

ESE Annual General Meeting

The Annual General Meeting of the European Society of Endocrinology will be held at 18:30 on Tuesday 27 April 2010 during ECE in Prague. All ESE members are welcome!



The 13th European Congress of Endocrinology will be held in Rotterdam, The Netherlands, on 30 April – 4 May 2011.

If you are a member of a national endocrine society as well as an Ordinary Member of ESE you may receive this newsletter twice. If so we apologise for the duplication and ask that you pass a copy to a colleague.

What's hot in EJE?

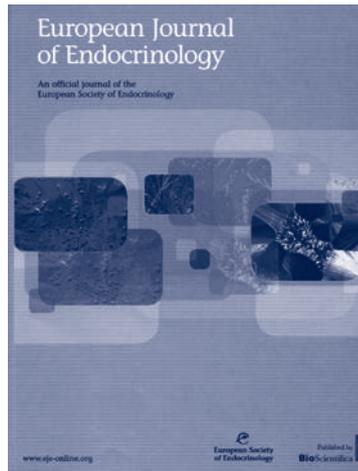
Sorafenib treatment of differentiated thyroid carcinoma

HENDRIEKE HOFTIJZER, KAREN A HEEMSTRA, HANS MORREAU, MARCEL P STOKKEL, ELEONORA P CORSSMIT, HANS GELDERBLOM, KARIN WEIJERS, ALBERTO M PEREIRA, MAYA HUIJBERTS, ELLEN KAPITEIJN, JOHANNES A ROMIJN AND JOHANNES W SMIT

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Radioactive iodine (RaI) is a favoured treatment for thyroid cancer, but is not always effective in patients with differentiated thyroid carcinoma (DTC) and there are no successful treatments available for such patients at present. In this phase II study, Hoftijzer *et al.* have studied the effects of sorafenib, a multi-target tyrosine inhibitor, on the re-induction of RaI uptake, and tumour progression in 31 patients with DTC. After 26 weeks of therapy with 400 mg of sorafenib twice daily, 19 patients with metastatic DTC had a clinical beneficial response, while the therapy was significantly less effective in patients with bone metastases. These results confirm the potential role of sorafenib in patients not responding to RaI and pave the way for future phase III trials of sorafenib as a treatment for DTC.

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ICE/ECE 2012

15th International Congress of Endocrinology jointly with the 14th European Congress of Endocrinology

Florence, Italy, 5–9 May 2012



15th European Congress of Endocrinology – ECE 2013

Copenhagen, Denmark, 27 April–1 May 2013

Save the Dates!

FORTHCOMING MEETINGS AND COURSES

<http://www.euro-endo.org/meetings>

ESE Courses

9th ESE Postgraduate Course in Clinical Endocrinology

Tartu, Estonia, 27–29 May 2010

1st ESE Clinical Update Course

Porto, Portugal, 22–24 October 2010

14th International Congress of Endocrinology – ICE 2010

Kyoto, Japan, 26–30 March 2010



Email: ice2010@congre.co.jp

Web: <http://www.congre.co.jp/ice2010/>

European Society of Endocrine Surgeons 4th Biennial Congress

Vienna, Austria, 13–15 May 2010

Email: eses2010@medacad.org

Web: http://www.eses.cc/download/4_biennial_congress_vienna_2010.pdf

52nd National Congress of the Spanish Society of Endocrinology and Nutrition

Salamanca, Spain, 26–28 May 2010

Email: secretaria@seen.es

Web: http://www.seen.es/seen/Cliente?id_aplic=2

ENDO 2010

San Diego, USA, 19–22 June 2010

Email: societyservices@endo-society.org

Web: <http://www.endo-society.org/meetings/Annual/index.cfm>

7th International Congress of Neuroendocrinology

Rouen, France, 10–15 July 2010

Email: hubert.vaudry@univ-rouen.fr

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11th International Congress on Obesity

Stockholm, Sweden, 11–15 July 2010

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The Tenth International Symposium on the Neurobiology and Neuroendocrinology of Aging

Bregenz, Austria, 25–30 July 2010

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Web: <http://www.neurobiology-and-neuroendocrinology-of-aging.org/>