

**BELGIAN SOCIETY OF FUNDAMENTAL AND CLINICAL  
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**Minutes of the General Assembly of the Belgian Society of Fundamental  
and Clinical Physiology and Pharmacology  
and of the  
National Committee of Physiology and Pharmacology**

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**Bruxelles-Anderlecht (Université Libre de Bruxelles), October 16<sup>th</sup> 2010**

*The General Assembly starts at 13.45h and is chaired by Prof. Dr. I. Smolders*

- 1. The administrative and accounting reports for 2010 are discussed and approved. It is noticed that a certain number of members do not pay their membership fee. A reminder will be sent by e-mail and the payments will be followed up by our treasurer. It is decided that members who do not pay their fee during two consecutive years will be eliminated from the member list. Our administration will furthermore try to limit the regular surface mail to the members. However, the first request for payment and the bank formular for membership fee will still be sent to all the members by surface mail !*
- 2. Prof. Dr. T. Godfraind reports on the IUPHAR general assembly meeting in Copenhagen (Denmark). More than 3000 pharmacologists attended the 22 meetings and 30 workshops of the IUPHAR World Conference. Emphasis was laid on focused symposia. The next meeting in 2014 will take place in South Africa.*

*Prof. Dr. R. Lefebvre reports on the EPHAR Council that was held during the IUPHAR meeting. He reports on the change of the board. The next EPHAR meeting in 2012 will take place in Granada (Spain). The candidature of Istanbul (Turkey) was accepted for organizing the meeting in 2016.*

*Prof. Dr. Johan Van de Voorde has been nominated as the official representative of our Society at the International Union of Physiological Sciences (IUPS).*

- 3. The Royal Academy of Sciences and Arts of Belgium (RASAB) will be asked to pay the membership dues to IUPS and IUPHAR.*

*The Assembly decides to raise the membership fee to 40 euros.*

*The Assembly urges once again the members of the Clinical Pharmacology section to encourage their collaborators to become a member of our Society, as they are regularly involved in our meetings. It is well noticed that two of the new VUB members are clinical pharmacologists.*

- 4. Prof. Dr. Bruno Flamion (Faculté Universitaires Notre Dame de la Paix - Namur) is elected as Second Vice-Chairman.*

For 2011 the board will be as follows:

Chairman	Prof. Dr. R. Beauwens (ULB)
First Vice-Chairman	Prof. Dr. D. Snyders (UA)
Second Vice-Chairman	Prof. Dr. B. Flamion (FUNDPNamur)
Secretary General	Prof. Dr. V. Seutin (ULg)
Session Secretary – Treasurer	Prof. Dr. J. Van de Voorde (UG)
Counsellors	Prof. Dr. E. Lacroix (UG) Prof. Dr. T. Godfraind (UCL)

5. *The candidatures of eight new members are approved:*

Ralph Clinckers, Jeanelle Portelli, Stéphane Steurbaut, Pieter Cornu (VUBrussel)  
all introduced by I. Smolders and A. Dupont

Inge De Meyer (UAntwerpen), introduced by G. De Meyer and H. Bult

Elke Bockxsteins (UAntwerpen) introduced by D. Snyders and V. Seutin

Ole De Backer (UGent), introduced by R. Lefebvre, J. Van de Voorde

Nicolas Baeyens (UCLouvain) introduced by N. Morel and J. Lebacqz

6. National meetings

March 18-19 2011	Liège	1st Benelux Congress on Physiology and Pharmacology
Autumn 2011	Antwerpen	Prof. Dr. D. Snyders
Spring 2012	UHasselt	Prof. Dr. J.M. Rigo
Autumn 2012	FUNDPNamur	Prof. Dr. B. Flamion

7. International Meetings

March 18-19 2011 Liège (Belgium)

First Benelux Congress on Physiology and Pharmacology

[www.physpharbenelux.org](http://www.physpharbenelux.org)

March 31 – April 1 2011 Berlin (Germany)

Joint Conference of European Human Pharmacological Societies and 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Association for Applied Human Pharmacology (AGAH)

[http://www.intercom-kongresse.de/secure/conreg\\_agah2011/registration/default.asp?varSessionID=631683206446331](http://www.intercom-kongresse.de/secure/conreg_agah2011/registration/default.asp?varSessionID=631683206446331)

June 26-29 2011

Budapest (Hungary)

10<sup>th</sup> Congress of the European Association for Clinical Pharmacology and Therapeutics

“From Drug Research to Therapy for the Benefit of Patients”

[www.eacpt2011.org](http://www.eacpt2011.org)

June 30 – July 3 2011

Brussels (Belgium)

3<sup>rd</sup> International Brussels Pancreatic Islet Symposium, “Pancreatic islet research from fundamental to clinical aspects

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<http://www.ulb.ac.be/medicine/hormex>

September 3-7 2011

Istanbul (Turkey)

The Joint FEPS and Turkish Physiological Society Scientific congress 2011

[www.feps2011.org](http://www.feps2011.org)

July 17-20 2012

Granada (Spain)

6<sup>th</sup> European Congress of Pharmacology (EPHAR)

[www.ephar2012.org](http://www.ephar2012.org)

8. *Miscellaneous*

- a. *The organisation of the 1<sup>st</sup> Benelux Congress of Physiology and Pharmacology is now well advanced. Three meetings with the Dutch colleagues (in Oss, Brussels and Liège) have led to the final programme. The congress website ([www.physpharbenelux.org](http://www.physpharbenelux.org)) will be on-line very soon. The Assembly wonders about the rather low registration costs and asks if this can cover all congress costs. Sponsoring will be asked to the Belgian Governmental Agencies, such as “Fonds voor Wetenschappelijk Onderzoek – Vlaanderen (FWO)”, “Fonds National de la Recherche Scientifique (FNRS)”, “Royal Academy of Science and Arts of Belgium (RASAB)”. Financial support from the industry is very welcome and herewith we call our members to search for these sources. It is decided that the yearly working budget of RASAB can be used to cover some costs. Therefore, the assembly approved the request of transferring the residual amount of the 2010 budget to the 2011 budget.*
  
- b. *One member mentions that the poster sessions of our meetings are not very satisfactory. Everyone agrees with this. It is suggested to organize a “guided poster tour”. Depending on the number of posters, four or more senior Society members will make a guided poster session, actively involving the poster presenters. With such an organisation, the bullet session can be cancelled, which would save time for the poster session. It is decided that this will be implemented at the next national meeting (autumn 2011).*

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