

The EAPB FORUM



European Association of Pharma Biotechnology (EAPB), the official associated section of pharma & medical biotechnology of the European Federation of Biotechnology (EFB)



The EAPB is the only European society solely devoted to Pharmaceutical Biotechnology. EAPB with presently more than 500 members represents companies, scientific institutions and scientists with activities in this promising area of Biotechnology. Especially the co-operations with the EFB and the European regulatory organisations MEGRA and PEFRAS will contribute to achieving the

AIMS OF EAPB:

Political representative of Pharma Biotechnology on the European platform

Provision of Pharma Biotech network for industry, science and European institutions

Representing Pharma Biotech industry in European regulation

Contributions to coordination and harmonisation of Pharma Biotechnology in Europe within the framework of the European Union (EU):

- regulatory standards and affairs
- biotech law development
- educational curricula

Active participation in development and outlining of research programs on EU level (e.g. framework programs)

Organisation of and participation in biotech meetings on European and national level

The European cooperation partner for the biotech organisations in the US and Japan (e.g. biotech and regulatory meetings jointly organised with AAPS biotech group)

Promotion of Pharma Biotechnology as an independent multidisciplinary science in Europe

EAPB IN FLORENCE

The World Meeting on Pharmaceuticals, Biopharmaceutics and Pharmaceutical Technology took place in Florence / Italy from April 8-11. EAPB was present at the session "Pharmaceutical Biotechnology", the invited lecture to open this session was sponsored and provided by EAPB. Additional EAPB events were a Welcome Reception on Tuesday 9 April and the Membership Meeting on Wednesday 10 April.

At the membership meeting a report was presented by the President Prof. Rainer Müller highlighting the activities and achievements of the last 2 years. It included the information about some structural changes inside EAPB and the new co-operation with the European Federation of Biotechnology (EFB) leading to a membership increase to more than 500 members. The report will be provided to all EAPB members via internal mail. It was followed by the report of Dr. Oliver Kayser, treasurer of EAPB, reporting "black figures" for the society.

The next membership meeting will be held in conjunction with the 11th European Congress on Biotechnology (11 ECB) in Basle / Switzerland in 2003.

EAPB AND GERMAN DECHEMA

Dechema, Rhein-Main-Hallen, Wiesbaden, June 11 – 13, 2002: The EAPB has organized a discussion forum during the annual meeting of the DECHEMA, the Society Chemical Technology and Biotechnology, taking place in Wiesbaden, Germany. Four speakers will present their view of differences in the development of a new pharmaceutical product derived from biotechnology. The meeting will be held in Hall 9 on June 12 from 10.00 – 11.30 am.

EAPB AND AAPS NATIONAL BIOTECH MEETING

AAPS National Biotech Meeting, San Diego (USA), June 24 – 26, 2002: As part of the collaboration with the AAPS biotech section, the EAPB will contribute to a roundtable discussion during the first AAPS National Biotech meeting, taking place in San Diego. The roundtable is intended to review the existing American and the European Guidance on edible vaccines and the initiatives taken by the authorities for future regulations. In further perspective this meeting should establish continuous exchange between American and European regulators.

EAPB IN SPAIN

Biotechnology in pharmaceutical product development, Barcelona (Spain), June 19, 2002: Under the auspice of the EAPB, a one day symposium on Biotechnology in the pharmaceutical product development is scheduled for June 19, 2002 in the Parc Científic de Barcelona. The symposium is dedicated to address issues in dosage form development of biotechnology derived products. The symposium will support the growing biotechnology industry in Spain and strengthen the position of the EAPB in this region.

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