

The 27th Annual Meeting of the Canadian College of Neuropsychopharmacology

Kingston, Ontario, Canada, May 29–June 1, 2004

The 2004 Annual Meeting of the Canadian College of Neuropsychopharmacology (CCNP) will take place at the Queen's University Biosciences Complex in Kingston, Ont., from Saturday, May 29, to Tuesday, June 1.

A new element will be included this year: an Educational Day for physicians, psychiatrists and other health professionals on May 29. It will feature lectures and workshops and will qualify for continuing medical education (CME) credits from the Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Canada and the College of Family Physicians of Canada. Topics will include drug interactions, drug effects on metabolism, alternate therapies, and the diagnosis and management of psychiatric illness in adolescents, of mood disorders, of insomnia and of psychosis. A reception will take place at the end of the day, and the regular meeting will start the next morning, Sunday, May 30.

The meeting will include plenary lectures, award lectures, symposia and poster sessions.

Our plenary speakers will be:

- Dr. Herbert Meltzer, Professor of Psychiatry (Psychopharmacology) at Vanderbilt University, Nashville, Tenn., and President of the Collegium Internationale Neuro-Psychopharmacologicum (CINP)
- Dr. David Nutt, Professor of Psychopharmacology at the University of Bristol, UK

- Dr. Tony Phillips, Professor of Psychiatry and Psychology at the University of British Columbia

The symposia topics will include:

- Recent advances in somatic treatments of depression (electroconvulsive therapy, light, repetitive transcranial magnetic stimulation, and so on)
- Drug relapse
- Drug effects on neurodevelopment
- Female-specific psychopharmacology
- Novel cholinergic therapeutics
- Emerging mechanisms of antidepressant action
- The role of the brain reward system in mental illness
- CCNP the next generation (presentations by research trainees)

There will be an optional dinner at Fort Henry on the evening of Sunday, May 30, and the banquet will take place on Monday, May 31. Accommodation has been reserved at local hotels and in the university residences, which are all within walking distance of the Biosciences Building.

For information about the conference, continuing medical education credits, registration, abstract submission, hotels and travel to Kingston, please visit <http://psycserver.psyc.queensu.ca/ccnp>. The local arrangements committee is working hard on the final touches to the meeting and hopes that there will be plenty to interest all registrants, both in the scientific program and the activities.