

# **Immunotoxicology Chemical Allergy Specialty Section (ITCASS)**

Since 1996



# By laws

- **Objectives of ITCASS**

- To serve as a focal point for interaction of members of EUROTOX interested in immunotoxicology, chemical allergy and food allergy.
- To plan and conduct scientific programs, in particular workshops and symposia held at EUROTOX annual congresses, and educational activities which emphasize developments in fundamental and applied immunotoxicology, chemical allergy and food allergy.
- To relate those developments to activities of EUROTOX and to stimulate growth in the science of immunotoxicity, chemical allergy and food allergy.

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- **Organisation**

- “ITCASS Officers include the President, the Secretary, the President-Elect and two Councilors. The term of each Officer is three years. All Officers are chosen among ITCASS members and are elected by ITCASS members by mail voting”

- **ITCASS Officers 2014-2017**

- President : Marc Pallardy (University Paris-Sud)
- Past President: Raymond Pieters (Utrecht University)
- Secretary: Janine Ezendam (RIVM)
- Councilors: Laura Rossi (ECHA), Unni Nygaard (Norwegian Institute of Public Health)

# Scientific activities

- **ITCASS meetings (every two years)**
  - Generally : no fees
  - Program composed of short presentations submitted in advance
  - Encourage young investigators to present (PhD, post-doc...)
  - Keynote lecture are also part of the program (one or two per meeting, senior researchers)
- **Last meetings**
  - Châtenay-Malabry/Paris (2016)
  - Dusseldorf, Germany (2014): cancelled
  - Elsinore; Denmark (2012); 7th
  - Den Bosh, The Netherlands (2010); 6<sup>th</sup>
  - RIVM, The Netherlands (2000), Paris, France (2002), Manchester, UK (2004), Lodi, Italy (2006), Oslo, Norway (2008)

# Scientific activities

- **Other SS in Immunotoxicology**
  - Immunotoxicology Specialty Section, Society of Toxicology
    - Meet once a year at SOT meetings
    - SOT members + fee
  - Japanese Society of Immunotoxicology (JSIT)
    - Annual meetings (100-120 Scientists)
- **ImmunoToxicology and Chemical Allergy Specialty Section on LinkedIn**

# Scientific activities - EUROTOX

- **EUROTOX congress Porto 2015**
  - Workshop “Molecular Stress at Mucosal Surfaces: Contribution to Adverse Immune Responses” (E. Corsini/M. Mach)
  - Symposia “Environment, Epigenetic Mechanisms and Immunotoxicology” (R. Pieters/UC. Nygaard)
  - **Keynote Lecture “Challenges for a Full Replacement of Animal Models to Assess Immunotoxicity (E. Corsini)**

# Scientific activities - EUROTOX

- **EUROTOX congress Istanbul 2016**
  - Symposium “Microbiome, nutrition, and immune-mediated diseases” (B. Yucesoy/I. Kimber)
  - Symposium “Safety aspects of natural compounds in dietary supplements” (Dutch Society of Toxicology/ITCASS; R. Pieters/M.van Duursen)
  - Symposium “Endocrine disrupting chemicals and immune implications” (E. Corsini/U. Nygaard)
  - **CEC** “Integrative approaches for safety assessment: From theory to practice using skin sensitization as an example (J. Ezendam/L. Rossi)