EMBO elects 40 top researchers to its membership

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The European Molecular Biology Organization (EMBO) today announces the election of 40 leading life scientists to its membership. Each member has been elected on the basis of proven excellence in research and joins the ranks of over 1,200 of Europe’s foremost researchers.

EMBO membership elections take place annually. Selection as an EMBO member recognises the key work being carried out by the chosen researchers in Europe and identifies them as among the very best in their field.

Frank Gannon, EMBO Executive Director, said, “EMBO members are the organisation’s most valuable asset and the basis for our international reputation. This year’s election once again puts a spotlight on the most outstanding representatives of the current generation of life scientists. We look forward to the fresh input this exceptional group of young researchers will bring to the organisation.”

EMBO members represent a highly dynamic cross-section of the scientific community, covering the full breadth of the life sciences disciplines. 38 are Nobel laureates and many more are recipients of other prestigious international awards. EMBO members provide valuable scientific input to the organisation and through their contribution help to maintain the high standards of scientific excellence that EMBO has upheld since its foundation in 1964.

EMBO members are based predominantly in Europe. However, every year EMBO also extends an award of associate membership to a select group of scientists from outside Europe. The aim is to highlight the importance of interacting with scientists on an international level. A list of all new EMBO members and associate members is featured below.

The EMBO members elected in 2005 will be welcomed into the organisation and give a presentation on their research at the EMBO Frontiers of Molecular Biology meeting on October 13-17, 2006 in Sheffield, UK.
2005 EMBO members

Dario Alessi  Kenn Gerdes  Luke O’Neill
Silvia Arber  Pierre Gönczy  Linda Partridge
Philip Avner  Edith Heard  Jerzy Paszkowski
Stephen D. Bell  Christine Holt  Laurence H Pearl
Walter Birchmeier  Andreas E. Kulozik  Felix Rey
Stephen D.M. Brown  Achim Leutz  Mart Saarma
Jozsef Burgyan  Julian Lewis  Kári Stefánsson
Jean-Laurent  Joachim Lingner  Jens Stougaard
Casanova  Michael H. Malim  Giulio Superti-Furga
Maria Antonietta De Matteis  Maria G. Masucci  Alfonso Valencia
Riccardo Fodde  Harvey T. McMahon  Hervé Vaucheret
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