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EMBO welcomes fifty leading scientists as members

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The European Molecular Biology Organization (EMBO) announced today the election of 50 leading scientists to its membership. These new EMBO Members join a community of over 1,300 members in Europe and more than 80 associate members worldwide.

Election as an EMBO Member is a tribute to the significant contribution to the advancement of science made by each of these researchers. EMBO elects new members annually on the basis of scientific excellence.

The latest scientists to join EMBO come from 16 different countries and represent a broad cross-section of the worldwide molecular life sciences community. Forty-two of the new members are based in Europe and neighbouring countries, while eight distinguished scientists from Australia, India and the USA receive the special honour of associate membership.

"EMBO Members contribute in numerous ways to the organisation's activities and are integral to our international reputation for promoting excellence in molecular biology. We welcome these 50 exceptional scientists to the EMBO community and look forward to their input," said Hermann Bujard, EMBO Executive Director.

Once elected, EMBO Members provide scientific input to the organisation, may participate in committees that guide the execution of EMBO activities, have the opportunity to mentor young scientists and may nominate candidates for the annual membership elections. Their valuable contribution maintains the high standards of scientific excellence EMBO has upheld since its foundation in 1964.

New EMBO Members and Associate Members are invited to present on their research and to network with other EMBO Members at the 2008 EMBO Members Workshop – Frontiers of Molecular Biology to be held in Tampere, Finland from 5 to 8 September.

2007 EMBO MEMBERS

(Click on a members name for more details)

Reuven Agami, Netherlands
Uri Alon, Israel
Naama Barkai, Israel
Claudio Bordignon, Italy
Nils Brose, Germany
Antony Carr, United Kingdom
Mario de Bono, United Kingdom
Maria Dominguez, Spain
Måns Ehrenberg, Sweden
Peter Fraser, United Kingdom
Steven Gamblin, United Kingdom
Cayetano Gonzalez, Spain
Guido Grandi, Italy
Ueli Grossniklaus, Switzerland
Nouria Hernandez, Switzerland
Douglas R. Higgs, United Kingdom
Frank C.P. Holstege, Netherlands
Marja Helena Jäättelä, Denmark
Edith Yvonne Jones, United Kingdom
Juha Kere, Sweden
Jane Langdale, United Kingdom
Thomas Langer, Germany
Bruno Lemaitre, Switzerland
Ottoline Leyser, United Kingdom
Alfonso Martinez Arias, United Kingdom
René Medema, Netherlands
Frauke Melchior, Germany
László Nagy, Hungary
Bernd Nilius, Belgium
Tom Owen-Hughes, United Kingdom
Vassilis Pachnis, United Kingdom
Stefano Piccolo, Italy
Sheena E. Radford, United Kingdom
Benedita Rocha, France
Ben J.G. Scheres, Netherlands
A. Francis Stewart, Germany
Boris Turk, Slovenia
Victor Tybulewicz, United Kingdom
C. Peter Verrijzer, Netherlands
Olivier Voinnet, France
Gabriel Waksman, United Kingdom
Magdalena Zernicka-Goetz, United Kingdom

ASSOCIATE MEMBERS

Jerry McKee Adams, Australia
Suzanne Cory, Australia
Charles Anthony Dinarello, United States
Michael Karin, United States
John Mattick, Australia
Pier Paolo Pandolfi, United States
K. VijayRaghavan, India
Carl Wu, United States



About EMBO

The European Molecular Biology Organization (EMBO) promotes excellence in molecular life sciences in Europe. Since 1964, leading scientists are elected annually to become EMBO Members based on proven excellence in research. Members number more than 1300 today with a further 80 associate members worldwide. Forty-five scientists from the EMBO membership have received the Nobel Prize. EMBO Members have the opportunity to influence the direction of European life sciences and more than half are involved in guiding the execution of the many EMBO initiatives offered to life scientists.

Leading peer-reviewed journals – *The EMBO Journal*, *EMBO reports* and *Molecular Systems Biology* – span all aspects of molecular biology and reflect how science is shaping the world. EMBO-sponsored training and networking activities impact thousands of scientists every year, promoting collaboration in all areas of molecular biology – within Europe and worldwide.

EMBO is renowned for the quality and funding of these programmes and activities that include *EMBO Courses & Workshops*, *EMBO*

Long-and Short-term Fellowships, the *EMBO Young Investigator Programme*, the *EMBO Science & Society Programme*, *EMBO Installation Grants* and *EMBO Women in Science*.

Annual awards, such as the *EMBO Gold Medal*, and the *EMBO Award for Communication in the Life Sciences*, recognise significant contributions of European researchers to the advancement of science.

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