President’s report
Copenhagen 2010 – Cape Town 2014

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Accomplishments

- New organizational chart
  - Executive Committee, International Board & Presidential Council
- New logo & website, with the help of IUPHAR Central Office
- New letterheads that can be customized & personalized
- New/updated bylaws/statutes
- Recruitment of new members worldwide
- Regular annual business & scientific meetings, often jointly with the Global GI Club
- Special IUPHAR GI Section symposia worldwide
- Five of 8 symposia proposals accepted for WCP 2014: A 20-year record!
## IUPHAR GI Section vs. Global GI Club

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<th>Issue/Society</th>
<th>IUPHAR GI Pharmacology Section</th>
<th>Global GI Club</th>
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<td>Established</td>
<td>1994 (Montreal, Que., Canada)</td>
<td>2012 (San Diego, CA)</td>
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<td>Affiliation</td>
<td>IUPHAR</td>
<td>FASEB (ASPET, APS)</td>
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<td>Character</td>
<td>Pharmacology (basic &amp; clinical)</td>
<td>Interdisciplinary (mostly molecular pharm. &amp; physiology)</td>
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<td>Membership</td>
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<td>Leadership/governing bodies</td>
<td>President, Executive Committee, Presidential Council, International Board</td>
<td>Co-Chairs (pharmacology &amp; physiology), Standing Committee, International Council</td>
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<td>Major meetings</td>
<td>Every 4 years, with IUPHAR World Congresses of Pharmacology, worldwide</td>
<td>Every year, with EB/FASEB (ASPET, APS), within USA</td>
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<td>Society-affiliated conferences</td>
<td>International Symposia on Cell/Tissue Injury &amp; Cytoprotection/Organoprotection</td>
<td>None specified, so far</td>
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<td>It sponsors related conferences</td>
<td>Yes</td>
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<td>Membership fee</td>
<td>Being negotiated</td>
<td>Free, but members are encouraged to join ASPET/FASEB</td>
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Symposia/workshop proposals we submitted to WCP 2014

- Advances in GI pharmacology: New approaches to upper & lower GI ulcers & inflammation
- Aspirin the wonder drug: Keeping a balance between its great therapeutic benefits & its GI toxicity
- Hydrogen sulfide in GI health and disease
- Neuroendocrine regulation of GI protection: Central & peripheral pathways
- Biologic therapies for IBD
- Drugs in GI oncology
- Manipulation of gut microbiome as a treatment strategy for gastrointestinal & metabolic disorders
- Pharmacology of GI chronic diseases of lifestyle (CDL)
Leatherheads of IUPHAR GI Section

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Best regards,

Sandor Szabo, MD, PhD
President, IUPHAR GI Section

Gastrointestinal Section

July 9, 2014

Best regards,

Sandor Szabo, MD, PhD
Chair, IUPHAR GI Section

GI Board

July 9, 2014

Prof. Clara Gyires, PhD, DSc
Exec. Comm. Member, IUPHAR GI Section

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Cordially yours,

Prof. Dr. Clara Gyires
IUPHAR GI Section, Exec. Comm.
The best of my research: The last 10 years
With Dr. Barry Marshall, Nobel Laureate 2005

Scientific presentation: Dr. Barry Marshall, Nobel Laureate 2005 — “The bad & good face of H. pylori: An update from the Ondek research team”
Discussion & closing remarks

Dr. Barry Marshall
N.L. 2005
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GI
Gastrointestinal Section
PHAR
International Union of Basic and Clinical Pharmacology

Business & Scientific Meeting, DDW, Orlando, FL
May 19, 2013, 7:00 pm
Business & scientific meeting of the Global GI Club & IUPHAR GI Section

San Diego Convention Center, Room 14A

Sunday, April 27, 2014, 3-6 PM

During the Annual Meeting of Experimental Biology/FASEB/ASPET

3:00 pm  Greetings & welcome
3:10 pm  Business meeting
3:30 – 6:00 pm  Special Symposium of the GI Club & IUPHAR GI Section:

Lessons from blunders & unexpected discoveries in my lab

Invited presenters: Internationally known GI investigators who attend the Experimental Biology/FASEB/APS/ASPET annual meeting.

Participants: Coworkers & students of these investigators & other registered participants of this EB/FASEB conference.
Special IUPHAR GI Section Symposia
March 3, 2013, Kyoto, Japan

Gastrointestinal (GI) Section Honors Prof. Koji Takeuchi

GI Section members along with 160 colleagues and former students honored Prof. Koji Takeuchi on the occasion of his retirement from the Kyoto Pharmaceutical University during a special symposium held in Kyoto, Japan on March 3, 2013. Prof. Takeuchi has been instrumental in organizing several of the GI Section meetings and symposia and is known for his research on nonsteroidal anti-inflammatory drug-induced gastric damage.

Most recently, the GI Section held a business meeting on April 22, 2013 in Boston, USA in conjunction with the Experimental Biology 2013 conference. Among the topics discussed were new statutes and a reorganization of the Section structure, including the creation of a President’s Council in addition to expanding the representation on the International Board.

Sandor Szabo
GI Section Chair
GI Investigators in basic & clinical sciences at the Medical Faculty of University of Zagreb are pleased to invite you to

Special IUPHAR GI Section Symposium – First in Zagreb, Croatia

that will cover not only pharmacologic aspects of GI research, but presentations will also be scheduled on the biochemical, molecular biologic, pathologic & clinical aspects of GI diseases.

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**Format**

- Invited lectures
- Short oral presentations
- Poster session
- Round-table discussions

**Registration is free.**

Accepted manuscripts will be published in *Journal of Physiology and Pharmacology*

Supported by:
- IUPHAR GI Section
- Medical Faculty, University of Zagreb
- Croatian Society of Pathology and Forensic Medicine

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- Y. Tache (USA)
- G. Varga (Hungary)
- J.D. Wood (USA)
- O. Zayachkivska (Ukraine)

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- S. Seiwerth (Co-chair)
- M. Klarica
- A. Boban-Blagaic
- M. Kos
- L. Brcic
- J. Suran
- D. Drmic (Secretary)

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Stress: Comprehensive & Authentic Summer School

July 21-25, 2014
Zagreb, Croatia

Organized by: Selye International Institute for Advanced Studies & IUPHAR GI Section

Hosted by: University of Zagreb, Faculty of Medicine, Departments of Pharmacology & Pathology
Goals & Challenges

- Organizational chart needs to be updated
  - Executive Committee, International Board & Presidential Council
- Bylaws/statutes needs to be further refined & updated
- Urgent: Recruitment of new, esp. young members must continue aggressively
  - Corporate memberships should be better defined & actively pursued
- National chapters, with local leaderships must be implemented
- Regular annual business & scientific meetings should continue with or without the Global GI Club
- Special IUPHAR GI Section symposia should be supported financially
- Pharmacology should be actively promoted as a beneficial bridge between basic sciences & clinical applications
- In about 2 years, new symposia & workshop proposals should be solicited for WCP 2018
Summary

• As a founding (1994) & latest (2014) president of IUPHAR GI Section, I am pleased to report to you that the shape & state of the Section is better than in 2010.

• We created new org. charts, website, letterheads & re-created our bylaws/statutes.

• New members have been recruited, but not enough in numbers & diversity by country as planned.

• Introduced regular annual business & scientific meetings (last two with Nobel Laureates) & continued with IUPHAR GI Section special symposia worldwide.

• Our Section has 5 symposia & one special business-scientific meeting at WCP 2014 – an all time record.