

SECOND ANNOUNCEMENT AND CALL FOR ABSTRACTS
11th International Symposium on
Cells of the Hepatic Sinusoid and their Relation to Other Cells
Loews Ventana Canyon Resort, Tucson, Arizona, USA, 25-29 August, 2002

In Commemoration of the 100th Anniversary of the Death of Karl von Kupffer

Venue and Scope of the Symposium

The 11th International Symposium on Cells of the Hepatic Sinusoid and their Relation to Other Cells is organized under the auspices of the Kupffer Cell Foundation, and will take place from Sunday, August 25th through Thursday, August 29th, 2002. The symposium will be held at Loews Ventana Canyon, a desert resort in the foothills of the Catalina Mountains north of Tucson, Arizona. The present symposium fits into the series of International Symposia on Cells of the Hepatic Sinusoid, which have been renamed, to emphasize that the focus is not only on hepatic sinusoidal cells themselves, but also on their relation to other cells.

As a result, the meeting will consider all aspects of the structure and function during health and disease of liver sinusoidal cells, including Kupffer, endothelial, fat-storing, and pit cells and their relation to hepatic parenchymal cells, blood cells, connective tissue elements, etc. Interested colleagues from all biomedical and relevant clinical disciplines are invited to participate. The Organizing Committee will provide several different means of scientific communication, including poster and oral presentations and publication of the conference proceedings. You are invited to send any proposals and suggestions concerning the symposium to a member of the Scientific Organizing Committee, whose names and addresses are printed below.

Scientific Organizing Committee

At the last meeting in Southampton, the Scientific Organizing Committee was restructured to a committee with rotating membership with two members from Europe, two from the USA, and two from Japan/Pacific, each serving six years. Members of the Scientific Organizing Committee are willing to answer any questions concerning the symposium. The addresses and telephone numbers of the Committee members are:

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Local Organizing Committee

The members of the Local Organizing Committee are: R.S. McCuskey (Chairman), D.L. Earnest, I.G. Sipes, T. Boyer and A.J. Gandolfi. Members of this committee will be happy to help with any problems that may arise during your planning or stay in Tucson. You can reach the committee at the following address: Department of Cell Biology & Anatomy, College of Medicine, University of Arizona, 1501 North Campbell Avenue, Tucson, Arizona 85724-5044 USA, Telephone: (1) 520-626-6084; FAX: (1) 520-626-2097; email: mccuskey@email.arizona.edu.

Sponsors

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The University of Arizona
The Southwest Environmental Health Sciences Center
Arizona Liver Research Institute
American Association of Anatomists
Other sponsors are being solicited.

Airline Transportation and Ground Transportation

Several major airlines service Tucson including American, America-West, Delta, Southwest, and United. Ground transportation from Tucson International Airport to Loews Ventana Canyon is readily available. Use of a mini-bus (Arizona Stagecoach Co.) costs approximately \$25. A taxi costs approximately \$40.

Accommodation

The form for requesting accommodations at the Loews Ventana Canyon Resort is enclosed. The rooms will be available for a fixed daily rate of \$85. Up to three people can occupy each room at this rate. This requires requesting a roll-away bed for the third person. Please complete the enclosed form and mail or fax it directly to the Loews Ventana Canyon Resort in Tucson.

Symposium Office

The Symposium Office will be located adjacent to the meeting room area on the main level of the Loews Ventana Canyon Resort. It will open on Sunday, August 25th at 15:00 hours, and will be in operation every day during the scientific sessions. Participants can be reached by telephone at the Resort: Telephone: (1) 520-299-2020; FAX: (1) 520-529-2980.

Meals

All meals from the Sunday evening reception following the Opening Lecture on August 25th through Thursday breakfast on August 29th will be included in the registration fees for both participants and accompanying persons.

Social Program

For registered participants (and accompanying persons) a Welcome Party will be held at 19.00 hours on Sunday, 25 August, immediately after the Opening Lecture. On Monday evening, there will be a Mexican fiesta. On Tuesday afternoon, we plan to have a free afternoon for participants to enjoy the facilities available at the resort, followed by dinner at the Resort. On Wednesday evening, there will be a closing banquet.

The Loews Ventana Canyon Resort offers a number of facilities and activities including golf, tennis, swimming, hiking, and jeep tours of the surrounding desert and mountains. For additional details see their web site, <http://www.arizonaguide.com/loews-ventana/index.html>. The local tourist office and private agencies also can provide a variety of tours and sport activities.

For golfers arriving on Saturday, 24 August, a golf tournament is being organized on one of the Resort's excellent courses for Sunday, 25 August. Please indicate your interest in participating on the Registration Form.

Weather

In late August, the average temperature is 35-40°C daytime and 20-25°C at night. We advise you to be prepared for hot, sunny weather generally of very low humidity, but with the possibility of a brief, late afternoon thunderstorm.

Scientific Program and Submission of Abstracts

The scientific program will include sessions on different topics of sinusoidal cell function together with an opening and closing lecture. The scientific communication will be based on oral communications, organized in topic-oriented sessions, together with poster sessions. Projection facilities will be available for 5 x 5 cm slides, 16mm movie films, NTSC videotapes, and PowerPoint presentations. Poster boards will be provided along with material with which to attach the posters.

One-page abstracts should be sent together with the enclosed Abstract Submission Form to the local organizers. **The deadline for receipt has been extended to 1 June 2002.** Abstracts will not be assessed until prepayment is confirmed. Abstracts received after 1 June, but before the beginning of the meeting, will be distributed as Xerox copies and might be presented as posters, if enough space is still available. Instructions for preparation of abstracts are contained in the enclosed Abstract Submission Form.

The Scientific Organizing Committee will review the received abstracts and use them to structure the scientific program. Scientific contributions will be grouped for oral or poster presentation. Participants will be informed about this decision by the end of June, 2002. The criterion of relevance to the study of sinusoidal liver cells and/or their relation to other cells will be used most stringently.

Submission of an abstract implies agreement for an oral or poster presentation at the meeting. In addition, authors of accepted abstracts are expected to contribute a manuscript to the proceedings of the conference. Instructions for the preparation of the manuscript will be distributed during June 2002. Manuscripts must be delivered at the beginning of the meeting, at the latest, preferable as ASCII (unformatted) files on diskette (floppy disk), prepared on an IBM-PC, Macintosh, or UNIX workstation. The Committee is considering electronic publication of the proceedings in addition to the printed version and as a possible alternate to publishing the book in the future. Electronic publication will occur only with the permission of the authors.

The International Organizing Committee is aware of concerns from authors that publication of original findings in the conference book may create conflict with journals concerning dual publication. If this is an issue, your manuscript for the conference proceedings book may be adjusted to include more review information and less original data, providing the main topic of the presentation is covered in the manuscript. The purpose of the book is to provide a survey of the present work of basic and clinical research teams, active in the field of hepatic sinusoidal cells.

Accepted abstracts will form the basis of the scientific program. Sessions will preferably be introduced by tutorial reviews. Those authors willing to extend their contribution in this way are invited to indicate this on their application form, at the same time providing a short description of their proposed tutorial. Topics include: Cell/cell interactions; Endotoxin/mediators; Oncology/metastasis; Fibrosis/cirrhosis; Viral hepatitis; Pathology/toxicology; Development/regeneration; and others as determined by the abstracts received.

The opening lecture on Sunday, 25 August will be delivered by Professor Kenjiro Wake, Tokyo, and will commemorate the 100th Anniversary of the death of Karl von Kupffer.

Travel Awards

The Kupffer Cell Foundation will sponsor the Kupffer Prize for Sinusoidal Cell Research. This new prize of € 1,000 is established to promote scientific research in the field of hepatic sinusoidal cells. The prize will be awarded at the opening session of a symposium on 'Cells of the Hepatic Sinusoid.' The rules governing the prize are as follows:

1. Five candidates for the prize will be selected from the abstracts submitted for the Symposium. Selection will be performed by the International Scientific Organizing Committee during its pre-meeting.
2. The candidates will be informed about their selection and will be invited to compete for the Kupffer Prize by submitting an extended application.
3. Applications should contain a resume (CV), a list of publications, and reprints of five publications that best support the candidature. In principle, the candidate should be the first author of these publications.
4. Applications should be received at the Secretariat of the Kupffer Cell Foundation in Brussels before 1 July 2002, preceding the symposium in August 2002. The selection of the candidates should be ready on 1 August 2002.
5. Candidates will be evaluated by the International Scientific Organizing Committee on the basis of the written applications.
6. The prize of € 1,000 will be awarded on the basis of the quality and originality of scientific achievements in the field of sinusoidal cells, preferably obtained during the five years preceding the application.
7. The successful candidate is required to attend the Symposium on Cells of the Hepatic Sinusoid and to deliver a keynote address during one of the plenary sessions. The nominee also is expected to contribute a reviewing paper to the proceedings.
8. An additional objective of the Kupffer Prize is to support a scientist at a stage of his/her career at which the award will have a maximal impact on his/her future.

The American Association of Anatomists has provided an Outreach Grant to provide assistance to five (5) young investigators (\$500 each) in subsidizing their travel, registration, and lodging expenses. These young investigators (within seven (7) years of obtaining their doctoral degree) will be selected by the Scientific Organizing Committee based upon abstracts submitted that utilize morphological approaches to the study of sinusoidal living cells, e.g., light and electron microscopy, confocal and multiphoton imaging, immunocytochemistry, *in situ* hybridization, etc. If you wish to be considered for this award, please check the appropriate box on the Abstract Submission Form.

Registration

The registration fee includes participation in the scientific program, all meals, one copy of the proceedings, and the social program. Accommodation is excluded. The fee for accompanying persons does not include participation in the scientific program or receipt of the conference proceedings, but does include all meals and the social program.

Before 1 June 2002:

Participants	US \$695
Accompanying persons	US \$595

After 1 June 2002:

Participants	US \$750
Accompanying persons	US \$650

Inclusion in the social program cannot be guaranteed for registrations received after 31 July 2002.

Cancelledations

Cancelledations must be notified in writing. The following charges will come into effect:

Fees:	Notification received	before 15 July 2002	75% refund fees
		before 1 August 2002	50% refund fees
		after 1 August 2002	No refund fees

Hotel accommodation:

The terms and conditions will be shown on your confirmation from Lowes Ventana Canyon Resort.

Web Site

A web site for the symposium has been established which contains all of the information in this announcement. It will be updated on a regular basis as additional plans for the meeting are finalized. The web site is: <http://www.u.arizona.edu/~mccuskey/ischs/>.

Publications of The Kupffer Cell Foundation

Publications of the Kupffer Cell Foundations and a form to order them are enclosed with this announcement. Other information may be found on the web site: <http://minf.vub.ac.be/~kupffer/>.

Methods of Payment

Registration fee(s) for participants include scientific program, book, all meals and social activities. Fees for accompanying persons include all meals and social activities. Hotel registration is not included. Use the enclosed form to arrange hotel accommodations.

The registration fee is to be paid by credit card (MasterCard or Visa) or check (bank draft, certified check, or money order) drawn in US dollars, preferably from a United States Bank, and payable to: **“University of Arizona Foundation” for credit to Anatomy Meeting Account.** Your registration payment is not considered a tax-deductible contribution to the University of Arizona Foundation.

All payments must be made in US dollars (\$). Please indicate which of the following methods of payment you are using:

International bank draft drawn in US \$. Note: Checks drawn in a foreign currency or payable at banks outside the USA are not acceptable.

Credit card (Visa or MasterCard).

Credit card facilities are available for the following credit cards only:

Visa

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Credit card number: _____ Expiration date: _____

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**Please return this Methods of Payment Form
together with the Registration Form to:**

**Professor Robert S. McCuskey
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P.O. Box 245044
Tucson, AZ 85724-5044 US**

Abstract Submission Form

(please print)

Name: _____
(Title) Surname Forename(s)

Institute: _____

Address: _____

City: _____

Post Code/ZIP Code: _____ Country: _____

Telephone: _____ Fax: _____

E-mail: _____

I wish to present a scientific contribution with the following title: _____

I include a one-page abstract to be published in the Conference abstracts book. I would like to present: an oral paper
 a poster
 a tutorial introduction to the session

By submission of this abstract, I agree to provide a manuscript for the conference proceedings book.

I wish to be considered for an American Association of Anatomists Travel Award. I received my doctoral degree in (year) _____ .

The abstract must:

- be written in English
- be a maximum of one page of A4 (21 x 29.7 cm) white paper
- be printed using a laser printer to enable reproduction
- have a 2cm margin on all sides
- be in a 12 point Gothic or Roman typeface, single spaced
- start at the first line, left margin, with a title in capital letters
- have the authors' names and initials starting on the second line
- have the authors' addresses on the third line

The text should contain:

- a short introduction
- materials and methods
- results and conclusions

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Deadline for abstract submission is ~~1 April 2002~~ 1 June 2002.

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HOTEL RESERVATIONS FORM

Group Name: 11th International Symposium on Cells of the Hepatic Sinusoid ...

Dates: August 23 - August 31, 2002 are available at the rates noted below to accommodate those who wish to arrive early or extend their stay beyond the meeting dates of August 25 - August 29, 2002.

Reservation Deadline: Reservations will be accepted until July 24, 2002, or until the group block is full, whichever comes first.

COMPLETE THIS FORM AND FAX OR MAIL TO LOEWS VENTANA CANYON RESORT.

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Smoking Non-smoking

Rates:
Single: \$85.00
Double: \$85.00

Arrival Date _____ Time _____
(Check-in time is after 4:00 PM.)

Departure Date _____ Time _____
(Check-out time is before 12:00 PM.)

Hotel Confirmation Policy:

All reservations must be guaranteed with a check, money order, or credit card.

Reservations must be cancelled 7 days prior to arrival to avoid a forfeiture of first night's deposit.

DIRECT PHONE RESERVATIONS: (520)299-2020.

Please include first night's deposit in the form of a check/money order or credit card number to guarantee your reservation. Your reservation will NOT be confirmed until we receive your deposit.

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I wish to order the following book(s)	Normal Price	Reduced Price *
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<input type="checkbox"/> Cells of the Hepatic Sinusoid volume 2 by E Wisse, D L Knook and K Decker. Proceedings of the 4th International Kupffer Cell Symposium. Held in Titisee, Germany, 25-29 September 1988.	** Euro € 45	** Euro € 45
<input type="checkbox"/> Cells of the Hepatic Sinusoid volume 3 by E Wisse, D L Knook and R McCuskey. Proceedings of the 5th International Kupffer Cell Symposium. Held in Tucson, Arizona, USA, 26-30 August 1990.	Euro € 100	Euro € 50
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<input type="checkbox"/> Cells of the Hepatic Sinusoid volume 6 by E Wisse, D L Knook and C Balabaud. Proceedings of the 8th International Kupffer Cell Symposium. Held in Bordeaux, France, 1-5 September 1996.	Euro € 160	Euro € 80
<input type="checkbox"/> Cells of the Hepatic Sinusoid volume 7 by E Wisse, D L Knook, R B de Zanger and R Fraser. Proceedings of the 9th International Kupffer Cell Symposium. Held in Christchurch, New Zealand, 27 Sept - 1 Oct 1998	Euro € 130	Euro €
<input type="checkbox"/> Cells of the Hepatic Sinusoid volume 8 by E Wisse, D L Knook, R de Zanger and M J P Arthur. Proceedings of the 10th International Kupffer Cell Symposium. Held in Southampton, England, 3-7 September 2000	Euro € 130	Euro €
Plus handling and postal costs, per book Euro € 10	Euro €	Euro €
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Total amount		

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Card number:..... Expiry date mm yy

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