



48th International Symposium on Essential Oils

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ISEO 2017 REPORT

48th International Symposium on Essential Oils, that was held in Pécs, Hungary on September 10-13, 2017, was organized by the University of Pécs, Faculty of Pharmacy, Department of Pharmacognosy. The symposium has achieved its goals by bringing together scientists (young generation and experts) from universities, research centers and industries from all over the world, to present their results, and to discuss current issues related to essential oils and volatile components. The symposium has attracted 152 participants from 32 countries. The symposium participants came mainly from European countries, but not only as evidenced by the presence of scientists and industry representatives from Japan, Israel, South Africa, Turkey, Brazil, Chile, Taiwan, Thailand, Greece, Afghanistan and the United States, among others.

The scientific program of the symposium included 6 plenary lectures, 18 oral presentations, 6 young scientists' lectures, and 104 posters. Among the plenary lecturers were world-renowned specialists.

Our plenary lecturers were the following persons, scientists:

- Prof. Ana Cristina Figueiredo (Lisboa, Portugal): Biological properties of essential oils and volatiles
- Prof. Luigi Mondello (Messina, Italy): Isolation and characterization of the oxygen heterocyclic compounds (coumarins, psoralens, and polymethoxylated flavones) in cosmetic products
- Dr. Toni Kutchan (St. Louis, United States): Production of mono- and sesquiterpenes in *Camelina sativa* oilseed
- Dr. Mihály Bálint (Budapest, Hungary): Cyclodextrin-based molecular coating for the protection of sensitive essential oils
- Prof. Jerome Golebiowski (Nice, France): Odors mechanics
- Prof. Éva Zámoriné-Németh (Budapest, Hungary): Shall we stress the plants to produce more volatiles?

An important part of the symposium was a session devoted to young researchers. As a result of support of the *International Federation of Essential Oils and Aroma Trades* (IFEAT) and the *Organizing*

Committee of ISEO 2017, for which we are grateful, twenty *Registration Fellowships* were granted to assist young researchers to attend the 48th International Symposium on Essential Oils.

The Local Organizing Committee of ISEO 2017 has accepted twenty contributions. Among these, six were chosen for oral presentation and the remaining fourteen were established for poster presentation.

Abstracts of the symposium are published (also online: <http://dergipark.ulakbim.gov.tr/nveo/>) in the quarterly open Access Journal of ISEO, Natural Volatiles and Essential Oils (NVEO). Abstracts were peer-reviewed by the Local Organizing Committee of ISEO 2017 and Permanent Committee Members of ISEO before acceptance. There was a new possibility, a mobile phone application SmartEvents, for the participants. SmartEvents supported our meeting, the participants could easily follow the program of the talks of the meeting. The application contained all relevant information of the Program and Abstract book, and it was also a useful tool for communication and orientation. The official website of the ISEO 2017 was: <http://iseo2017.hu/>

The ISEO Permanent Scientific Committee, whose meeting was held during the symposium, decided to organize the next ISEO in Nis, Serbia. The 49th ISEO will be held on September 13-16, 2018 in Nis.

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